

# The Loudon Ledger

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## Thank You, Chief Wright!

After more than thirty years of commitment and dedicated service to the Town of Loudon and its residents, Fire Chief Rick Wright announced his retirement, effective February 28, 2019. On behalf of the community, we extend to Chief Wright our sincere thanks and deep appreciation.

Chief Wright joined the Loudon Fire Department as a volunteer in January 1981, and steadily worked his way up through the ranks. In 2013, he was appointed to the position of Fire Chief, and subsequently co-director of Emergency Management. Chief Wright was instrumental in securing grants to enhance the operations of the department. Under his leadership, Loudon's fire department and emergency medical services now provide 24/7 coverage, with trained, full-time personnel on staff. In September of 2015, Chief took over the responsibilities and duties of Code

Enforcement, Building Inspector, and was the named the sole Emergency Management Director.

Despite the demands of his professional duties, he always kept the community's best interests at heart. Sometimes that meant hosting fire station tours for students from Loudon Elementary School or doing community outreach with seniors at the Richard Brown House. It often involved turning the station into a venue for Town Meetings, Harvest Suppers, and community fund-raisers, sharing meeting space with community groups, or writing a monthly column for the *Loudon Ledger*. It always came down to putting the community's needs ahead of his own. For that, we are all enormously grateful.

Chief — we thank you for your many years of service! May you reap the rewards of a long, healthy, happy retirement! ■



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## Notice From the Selectmen

Dear Taxpayers,

We have contracted with Murdough Assessing Services to do our annual and cyclical assessing for the Town. As part of the annual update, Assessor Christina Murdough will be reviewing properties throughout town that have/had building permits, and any property flagged for review/follow-up.

We encourage all taxpayers to assist by letting Ms. Murdough access your property. At your discretion, please take a few minutes to show her the interior of your home to ensure that the items listed on your tax card are correct.

Please note that Ms. Murdough will have photo ID, indicating her affiliation with the Town of Loudon.

If you have any questions regarding this process, you may contact the Town Office during normal business hours at 603-798-4541.

*Loudon Board of Selectmen*

## Important Dates To Note

**March 6**

**Meet the Candidates 7 p.m. at the Town Office**

**March 7**

**Merrimack Valley School District Annual Meeting  
Polls Open at 11 a.m. • Business Meeting at 7 p.m. at MVHS Auditorium**

**March 12**

**Town Elections 8 a.m.–7 p.m. at the Town Hall, Clough Hill Road.  
See page 4 for the 2019 Warrant.**

**March 16**

**Annual Town Meeting 9 a.m. at Loudon Elementary School**

## Mission Statement...

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

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

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

**Town Clerk**

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

**Planning/Zoning Board**

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

**Tax Collector**

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

**Police Department: Emergencies: 911**

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

**Building/Code Enforcement**

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

**Fire Department: Emergencies: 911**

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

**Loudon Elementary School**

7039 School Street • 783-4400  
*The School Board meets the second Monday of the month at 7:15 p.m. Call the Superintendent’s Office for meeting location.*

**Transfer Station**

55 So. Village Rd., Ste. 7 • 783-0170 • [roadagent@loudonnh.org](mailto:roadagent@loudonnh.org)  
**YEAR ROUND HOURS**  
Tues.: 9 a.m.–5 p.m. • Thurs.: 10 a.m.–6 p.m. • Sat.: 8 a.m.–5 p.m.  
*Loudon residents can purchase facility stickers at the transfer station for \$4.00. See the attendant.*

**Highway Department**

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

**Maxfield Public Library**

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

**John O. Cate Memorial Van**

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

**Loudon Food Pantry**

30 Chichester Road, Unit D, Loudon  
Feeding people in Belmont, Canterbury, Chichester, and Loudon, NH by appt. only on Tues., Weds., and Thurs. Office/Donation/Volunteer hours: Tues. 10–6; Weds. 10–1; Thurs. 10–4; Fri. 10–1. Please call 724-9731 if you need to donate outside these hours. Closed Mondays. For more information or to see if you qualify for services, go to [loudonfoodpantry.org](http://loudonfoodpantry.org) or email [info@loudonfoodpantry.org](mailto:info@loudonfoodpantry.org) or call Sue at 724-9731.

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

U.S. Sen. Maggie Hassan. (603) 622-2204. [www.maggiehassan.com](http://www.maggiehassan.com)  
U.S. Sen. Jeanne Shaheen. (603) 647-7500. [Shaheen.senate.gov](http://Shaheen.senate.gov)  
U.S. Rep. Chris Pappas, no information available at press time  
U.S. Rep. Ann M. Kuster. (603) 226-1002. [Kuster.house.gov](http://Kuster.house.gov)

**REPRESENTATIVE STATE SENATE (DISTRICT 17)**

State Sen. John Reagan. (603) 463-5945. [John.reagan111@gmail.com](mailto:John.reagan111@gmail.com)

**REPRESENTATIVES TO THE GENERAL COURT (DISTRICT 9)**

State Rep. Howard M. Moffett. (603) 783-4993. [Howard.Moffett@leg.state.nh.us](mailto:Howard.Moffett@leg.state.nh.us)  
State Rep. George Saunderson. (603) 783-4750. [George.Saunderson@leg.state.nh.us](mailto:George.Saunderson@leg.state.nh.us)

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

State Rep. Howard Pearl. (603) 231-1482. [hpearlpsf@aol.com](mailto:hpearlpsf@aol.com)

**Loudon Ledger Submission Policy**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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**“The Loudon Ledger” 2019 Schedule**

January 2019 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 12/14 Council Meeting: Mon. 12/17

February 2019 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 1/18 Council Meeting: Mon. 1/21

March 2019 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 2/15 Council Meeting: Mon. 2/18

April 2019 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 3/15 Council Meeting: Mon. 3/18

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

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

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

August 2019 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 7/12 Council Meeting: Mon. 7/15

September 2019 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 8/16 Council Meeting: Mon. 8/19

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

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

December 2019 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 11/15 Council Meeting: Mon. 11/18

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Alicha Kingsbury / 556-1587 / [loudonledger@aol.com](mailto:loudonledger@aol.com)  
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*All editorial submissions are approved by the Council before publication.*

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# Where to Worship in Loudon

## Faith Community Bible Church

Joshua Owens, Lead Pastor • Patrick Testerman, Associate Pastor

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

Office Hours: Tues. & Weds. 9-4, Thurs. 11:30-4

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

Sunday School for all ages at 9:30.

(Childcare provided.)

Youth Group for Grades 6-12 Sunday evenings at 6:00.

Bible Study: Thurs. 9:30 a.m. (3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month, meets at noon)

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

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## Family Bible Church

"Where Everybody is Somebody and You Can Find Hope"

Steve Ludwick, Lead Pastor

676 Loudon Ridge Rd., PO Box 7858, Loudon, NH, 03307 • 267-7577 or 267-8066

www.familybiblechurchofloudon.org • Email: PastorSteve@familybiblechurchofloudon.org

Pre-Service Prayer Time: Sunday 9-9:45 a.m.

Sunday Worship: 10:00 a.m. A blend of hymns and contemporary songs.

Fellowship time provided following the morning service.

Monday Evening: Men's Fellowship and Prayer Time 7-8:45 p.m.

Tuesday Morning: Ladies' Bible Study Group 9:30 a.m.

Home Life Groups: Wednesday Morning — Senior Ladies Group

Other adult groups meet on Wednesday and Friday evenings: call or email for details

FREE Monthly Community Dinners: 2<sup>ND</sup> Saturday of every month, 4:30-6:30 p.m.

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## Landmark Baptist Church

Independent, Biblical, Caring

Pastor Paul J. Clow

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

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

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

Sunday Evening Worship: 6 p.m.

Wednesday Evening Service: 7 p.m.

(Nursery provided for all services.)

Please visit our website for more information!

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## Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church

Rev. Shirley Marcroft, Interim Minister

433 Clough Hill Road. Mailing Address: P.O. Box 7008, Loudon, NH 03307

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

Sunday Worship Service: 9:30 a.m.

For more information, please contact Pastor Shirley Marcroft (603) 968-7251

or Cindy Merrill, Deacon, at (603) 848-8690.

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## Loudon Congregational Church

Rev. Moe Cornier

7018 Church Street, PO Box 7034, Loudon, NH 03307 • 783-9478

info@loudoncongregational.org • www.loudoncongregational.org

Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m. followed by Fellowship Time

Tuesday Prayer Meeting: 6:30 p.m.

Healing Prayer Service: 3rd Sunday of the month, 9:30 a.m.

Loudon Congregational is a member church of the

Conservative Congregational Christian Conference (www.ccccusa.org).

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## New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene

Rev. David Shaw, Pastor • Rev. Lynn Shaw, Pastor

Rev. Isabel Gillespie, Missional Outreach Pastor

Rev. Mike Matthews, Visitation Pastor

33 Staniels Rd, Loudon NH 03307 • Ph: 224-1311 • Office Hours: 9-2, Tues. & Thurs. / 9-4:30, Weds. & Fri.

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

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

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

11 a.m. Discipleship Hour for All Ages.

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

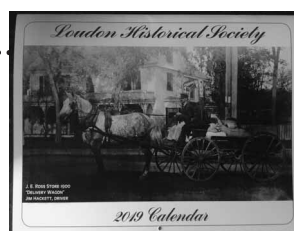
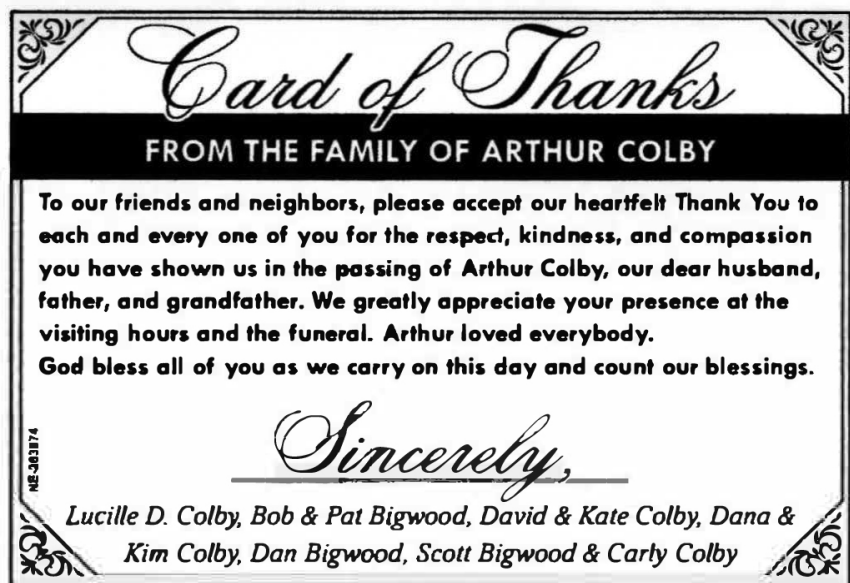
Wednesdays: Mid-week Discipleship 6:30-7:45 p.m.

Thursdays: Community Bible Study, an independent international group, meets at New Beginnings

10 a.m.-12 Noon. Classes available for children, teens, and women through May 2019.

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

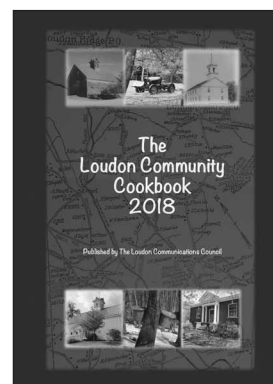


## Loudon Historical Society 2019 Calendar On Sale

Now

Please support the Loudon  
Historical Society 2019 Calendar Fundraiser!

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



Loudon Community  
Cookbooks are the  
perfect gift!

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

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

**THE TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE  
WILL BE CLOSED  
FEBRUARY 27TH TO MARCH 7TH, 2019.**

**Payments can be made via Tax Kiosk by  
check for .40 cents  
or credit card for 2.95% fee.**

— OR —

**In office during regular office hours.  
Dated payments can be left in drop box.  
Payments will be credited for the day paid.**

# 2019 LOUDON TOWN WARRANT

The inhabitants of the Town of Loudon in the County of Merrimack in the state of New Hampshire qualified to vote in Town affairs are hereby notified that the Annual Town Meeting will be held as follows:

Articles 1–2 will be by ballot vote on Tuesday, March 12, 2019, between the hours of 8:00 AM and 7:00 PM at the polls at Loudon Town Hall on Clough Hill Road. Articles 3–18 will be taken up at the second session of the annual Town Meeting on Saturday, March 16, 2019 at 9:00 AM at the Loudon Elementary School Gym on School Street.

## Article 01 To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year

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## Article 02 Zoning Amendments—

*Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment 2019-1 proposed and recommended by the Planning Board for the Loudon Zoning Ordinance as follows:*

Amend 208.4 Driveways section 1: Be pitched a minimum of -2% (*1/4 inch per foot*) away from the road for a distance of twelve feet for driveways sloping downhill away from the roadway so as to create a landing for vehicles to safely enter the roadway; Or be pitched a minimum of -2% (*1/4 inch per foot*) away from the road for a distance of six feet for driveways sloping uphill away from the road so not to create unsafe conditions such as the creation of puddles of water, formation of ice patches, and create additional drainage onto the road network. The required areas of driveways shall be surfaced to match the existing road surface.

**Reason:** For Clarification of drainage needs

*Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment 2019-2 proposed and recommended by the Planning Board for the Loudon Zoning Ordinance as follows:*

Amend Section 401.3 I: Shared common driveways, serving no more than two housing units or two lots are encouraged **allowed by special exception**. If a common driveway is proposed, the easement shall be shown on the plan and legal language submitted for the Planning Board to transmit to Town Counsel for review and approval.

**Reason:** To allow the Town closer review

*Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment 2019-3 proposed and recommended by the Planning Board for the Loudon Zoning Ordinance as follows:*

Add 208.9: Towers for Amateur Ham Radio Operators are permissible up to 100 feet without special exception in all zones and following all NH State RSAs. Above that height requires a special exception.

**Reason:** This amendment clears the way for towers up to 100 feet high, well within the majority of Ham Operators needs without a special exception.

*Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment 2019-4 proposed and recommended by the Planning Board for the Loudon Zoning Ordinance as follows:*

To Add 202.3: Any newly constructed Commercial or Industrial business consisting of 3,000 gross square feet or more of enclosed area that does not meet the requirements for a full NFPA (National Fire Protection Agency) 72 system shall have a design build fire alarm system, approved by the Loudon Fire Department that is capable of alerting the occupants and notifying the fire department in the event of a fire. All the system components shall be UL listed. The system shall include an exterior horn strobe facing the public way.

**Reason:** This proposed ordinance will help the fire department receive early notification of a potential fire.

*Are you in favor of adoption of Amendment 2019-5 proposed and recommended by the Planning Board for the Loudon Zoning Ordinance as follows:*

Repeal Section 803 Impact Fees

**Reason:** no longer cost effective to administer the Impact Fee program.

## Article 03 To purchase an ambulance and equipment

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$279,000 for the purchase of an ambulance and equipment, with said funds to be withdrawn from the Ambulance/Rescue Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. *The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required)*

## Article 04 To purchase a 10-wheeler

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$198,500 for the purchase of a 10-wheel dump truck with plows and sanders, with \$182,000 to be withdrawn from the Highway Department Capital Reserve Fund. Further, to name the Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. The balance of \$16,500 to be raise by taxes. *The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required)*

## Article 05 For reclaiming and paving Ricker Road

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$264,398 for the purpose of reclaiming and paving Ricker Road and authorize the withdrawal of \$127,000 from the Roadway Improvement Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The balance of \$137,398 to be raised by taxes. (SB 38 funds of \$75,000 received in 2017 will complete the \$339,398 project.) *The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required)*

## Article 06 To purchase a Police Cruiser

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$38,795 for the purpose of purchasing a police cruiser with equipment, with \$18,000 to be withdrawn from the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. The balance of \$20,795 to be raised by taxes. *The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required)*

## Article 07 For Police Dept computer upgrades

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$18,108 for upgrades to the current police department computer system and upgrades towards (CJIS) criminal justice information system in becoming compliant, with funds to be raised from general taxation. *The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required)*

## Article 08 To install energy-efficient lighting in town building

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$21,154 for the purpose of installing energy-efficient lighting in the Transfer Station, Highway Garage, Police Station, Fire Station — Cooper Street, Fire Station — Clough Hill Road and authorize the withdrawal of \$21,154 from the Alternative Energy Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. Further, to name the Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. The balance of \$21,154 to be paid by Eversource to complete the \$42,308 project. *The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required)*

## Article 09 Town History

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,000 for the purpose of contracting with an author who will research Loudon's historical information and begin the process of writing chapters that will be included in the official Town of Loudon History Book, with said funds to come from the Town History Capital Reserve Fund. This special warrant article will be a non-lapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the contract is completed or by June 30, 2020, whichever is sooner. *The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required).*

## Article 10 To purchase a HD 4X4 Pickup

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 for the purpose of purchasing a HD 4x4 pickup for plowing and sanding municipal parking lots. *The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required)*

## Article 11 To purchase a sand screener

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 for the purpose of purchasing a sand screener. *The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required)*

## Article 12 Chapter 79-E Tax Relief Incentive

To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of Chapter 79-E, Community Revitalization Tax Relief Incentive, which allows an owner of a qualifying structure within the Loudon Village area that intends to substantially rehabilitate or replace such structure, to apply to the governing body of the municipality in which the property is located for tax relief. If approved, the property tax on a qualifying structure which has been substantially upgraded and improved at the owner's expense will not increase as a result of the substantial rehabilitation for a period up to five years, beginning with the completion of the substantial rehabilitation. *The Selectmen recommend this article.*

## Article 13 To establish a Town Garage CRF

To see if the town will vote to establish a Town Garage Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 to be placed in this fund. Further, to name the Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. *The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority Vote Required)*

## Article 14 To raise and appropriate for established CRF

To see if the town of Loudon will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$532,500 to be placed in previously established Capital Reserve Funds.

- Fire Department Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund \$75,000
- Highway Department Capital Reserve Fund \$100,000
- Bridge Capital Reserve Fund \$40,000
- Recreation Facility Maintenance Trust Capital Reserve Fund \$2,000
- Library Collection Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund \$5,000
- Roadway Improvements Capital Reserve Fund \$125,000
- J.O. Cate Memorial Van Capital Reserve Fund \$2,500
- Ambulance/Rescue Equipment Capital Reserve Fund \$63,000
- Loudon Conservation Land Capital Reserve Fund \$30,000
- Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) \$30,000
- Town History Capital Reserve Fund \$10,000
- Alternative Energy Capital Reserve Fund \$30,000
- Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund \$20,000

*The Selectmen recommend this article.*

## Article 15 To raise and appropriate for established ETF.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$80,000 to be placed in previously established Expendable Trust Funds.

- Transfer Station Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund \$20,000
- Septage Lagoon Expendable Trust Fund \$10,000





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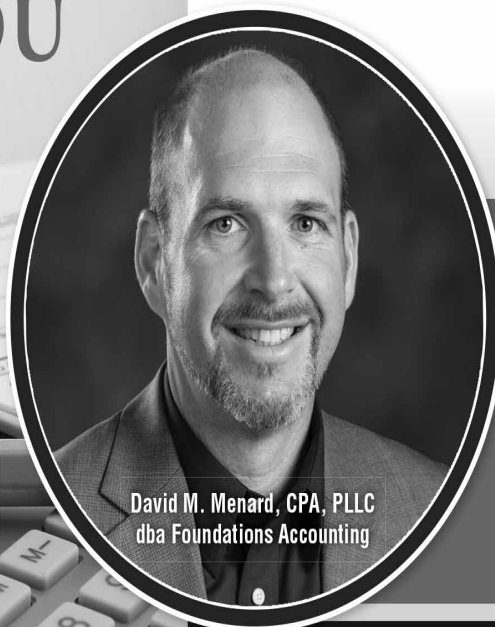


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# Huckins for the Assist — On and Off the Court

By Mike Moffett

I gunned my Nissan Sentra's engine as I headed up a hill towards home in a raging blizzard in 2014. Almost six inches of snow covered the unplowed road. I maintained momentum because if I stopped on the hill I was doomed.

I turned a corner only to confront a total whiteout. Blinded by conditions, I plowed deep into a snowbank. I exited my car and discovered I was badly stuck. I pulled some cardboard out of the trunk and tried to free my vehicle, but only succeeded in getting cold, wet, and hypothermic. Another car rounded the corner behind me and similarly slid into a snowbank.

Then a four-wheel drive pick-up truck stopped by. Seeing my predicament, its driver produced a chain. If we could get it underneath the Sentra and wrap it around the axel, the truck might be able to pull my car out. I tried to get under the vehicle with the chain, but being a big guy with heavy winter clothing, I just didn't fit, and only succeeded in getting wetter, colder, and more shiveringly hypothermic.

Then a "good Samaritan" walked down the road to us and quickly sized up the situation. The friendly neighbor was even bigger than me, but didn't hesitate in removing his gloves, coat, and sweater. With his upper body protected only by a tee-shirt, he took the chain, squeezed through the snow underneath the car, secured the chain, wiggled back out, and joined me as we pushed the car while the truck pulled it.

My Sentra was soon back on the road. I thanked everyone profusely and successfully drove the last quarter mile home to dry out and warm up.

The friendly neighbor was Dave Huckins, who among other things was the varsity girls' basketball coach for Merrimack Valley High School. A few weeks later his MVHS team was in the Division II State Championship Game against favored Coe-Brown. The plucky MVHS girls pulled out a win, largely helped by a key three-point shot late in the game by Cassidy Huckins — Dave's daughter.

It was a very special time for the MVHS community and the Huckins family.

Cassidy went on to become an All-America field hockey player at Southern New Hampshire University. Younger sister Carly similarly looked forward to chasing Huckins hoop dreams under the tutelage of her father. But it was not to be.

On Sept. 10, 2017, Dave lost a battle with salivary gland cancer. The MVHS community lost a stalwart alumnus, who in addition to coaching that title team also played for an MV state championship squad in 1989, scoring 1,000 points along the way.

Losing Coach Huckins was devastating to many, but most especially to his family.

Carly, in particular, faced a traumatic choice. Continuing her basketball career meant facing poignant reminders of her dad every time she entered a gym. She subsequently took a "time-out" from the annual basketball cycle. But when push came to shove, how could she NOT honor her father's memory by continuing to play basketball?

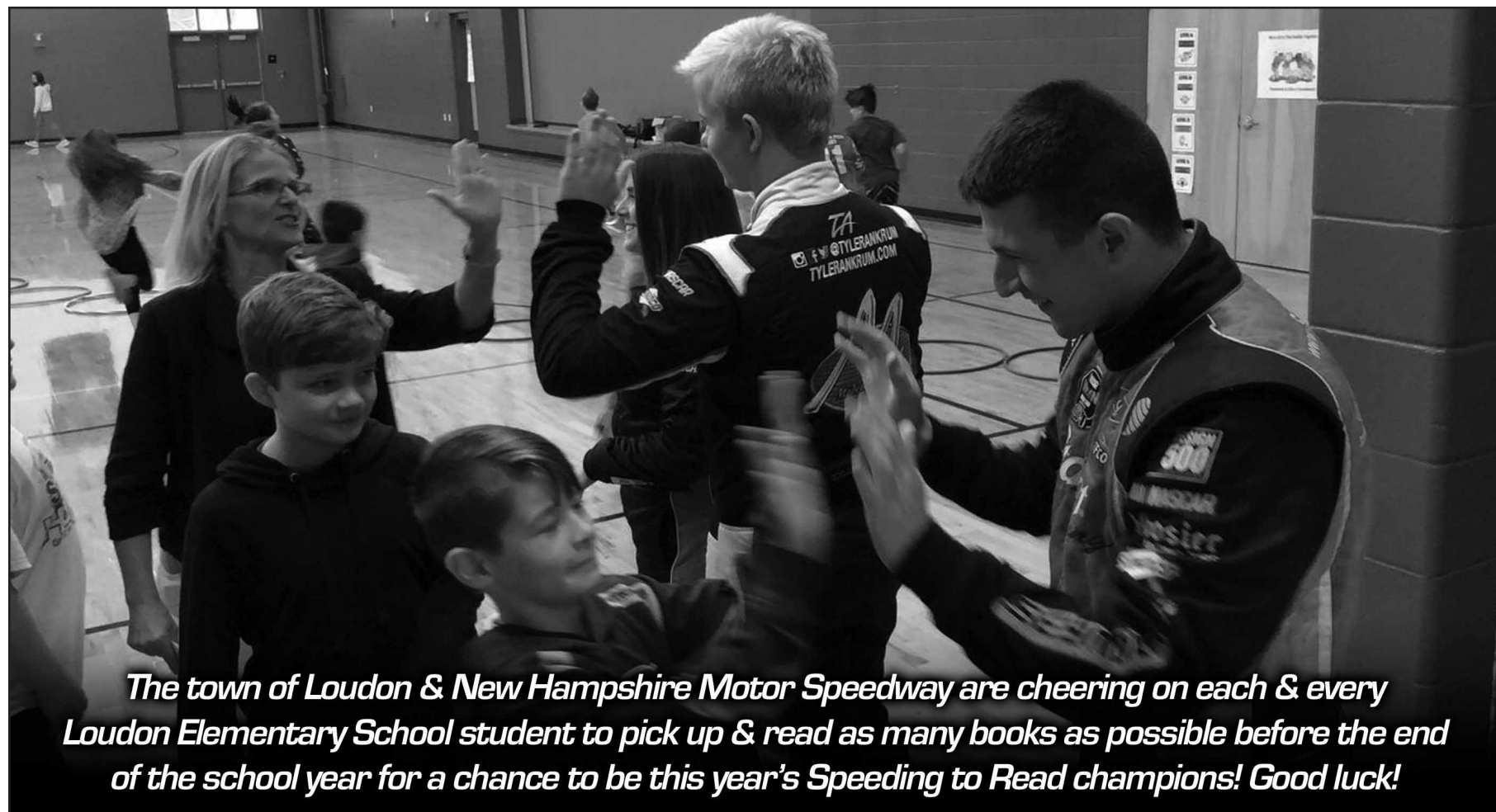


"I went 0-for-16 in the first game this year," Carly recently told the *Union Leader's* Joe Duball. "But I never really let it get into my head while everyone else talked about it. I knew it was going to be a hard season so I just kept working at it."

The hard work paid off as MVHS remained competitive and in the playoff hunt all season. Then last month Carly replicated her dad's 1,000 career point feat with three late free throws against top-ranked Hanover.

So Dave's memory and spirit live on through the successes of his daughters — exploits which remind the MVHS community of a great community member, father, and husband who played great basketball and coached great teams.

And who also did a great job getting neighbors' cars out of snowbanks. ■



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## News From the Richard Brown House

Winter is long — we are all fed up with snow, ice, and cold winds. But occasionally a day will promise the scent and mild warmth of spring, afternoons are so much lighter, and the cabin fever feelings will subside. Our snow removal team now runs like clockwork, for which everyone is truly grateful.

We must thank several people who came forward recently with donations. Once more Mary Sartwell produced some lovely clothes, knitted hats, and cookie and cake mixes. Sandra Locke brought in Valentine's craft materials, which were put to use soon afterwards. Lanette Newhall at Shaws on Fort Eddy Road, Concord called with a surprise donation of flowers, a colorful treat that was shared around the apartments. Jeanne Ashland promised yarn, as did Jo Allen. Thank you all.

In the past month residents had the pleasure of another concert from *Custard Pie with Nuts*, the fiddle ensemble led by Pat Gagne of Loudon. As the group practices for major concerts, we are the beneficiaries of a "practice" session. It is a win win. We almost had the Home Depot band *The Solutions* back, but snow prevented their gig and it is now rescheduled for later this month, weather permitting. Sandi Noel returned to work with a group of residents to make and write out Valentine cards for the Veteran's Home in Tilton. Her next visit will be for knitting and crocheting baby blankets. And Jackie Heath, Maxfield Public Library librarian, will come back in early March for another Book Group discussion. And last, but not least, MaryAnn Beauchemin came again to facilitate a Movie Club gathering.

Upcoming programs in March, which are open to other Loudon seniors, will include a one-off presentation about Living With Stroke, from the Brain Injury Association on March 20 at 2:30 p.m. We will also have a new exercise program, Walk With Ease. This will be led by Alyssa Lemmerman from the UNH Cooperative Extension, with the Arthritis Foundation. It is intended to help one walk safely and comfortably, improve flexibility/strength/stamina, reduce pain, and enhance overall well-being. It can run indoors or out, depending on the weather. Alyssa will lead these sessions for an hour twice a week, at 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. on Mondays and Thursdays, from Monday March 11 through to April 18th. The goal is to walk at least 3 times a week. If anyone is interested in joining in, contact Lois Scribner, service coordinator, at [lois.scribner@voanne.org](mailto:lois.scribner@voanne.org).

We are still interested in finding someone to walk a small dog a few times a week, and in having technological help. Craft supplies are always welcome. We have enough jigsaw puzzles thanks to many donations. In the past, if we were fortunate to have frozen or fresh meat, fruit or vegetables donated, we have used them to make community meals when possible. We are very appreciative of all gestures from the community and hope that town residents might feel comfortable coming in for any programs of interest. Please contact manager Lucie Bilodeau or service coordinator Lois Scribner on 798-3190 for further information. ■



*Valentine's craft supplies donated by Sandra Locke were put to good use by making cards for veterans.*



*Jackie Heath, Maxfield Public Library Librarian, leads a book group discussion.*



*The Movie Club gathering is facilitated by MaryAnn Beauchemin.*



*Fiddle Group "Custard Pie With Nuts" paid Richard Brown House a visit to serenade residents.*



*Warrant — cont. from 4*

- Highway Equipment Expendable Trust Fund \$50,000  
*The Selectmen recommend this article.*

**Article 16 For general municipal operations.**

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,682,978 for general municipal operations. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately.” (*Majority vote required*)

**Article 17 To transact any other business**

To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

**Article 18 Keno**

Shall we allow the operation of keno games within the town or city. (*By Petition*)

Given under our hands and seal, this \_\_\_\_ day of February in the year of our Lord two thousand nineteen.

We certify and attest that on or before February \_\_\_\_, 2019, we posted a true and attested copy of the within Warrant at the place of meeting, and like copies at the usual posting places, and delivered the original to the Town Clerk.

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

**Note:** Due to printing deadlines, the next of the articles contained herein may be subject to revision or correction prior to posting of the Town Warrant. ■

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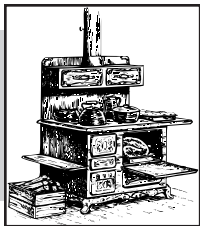


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## What's Cookin'? Maple Recipes

By Deb Foss

It is March and that means tapping trees and fresh maple syrup — and Maple Week-end! Plan to visit the many sap houses in Loudon (see list on page 10) to buy a fresh bottle of maple syrup and then head home to bake up some mouthwatering goodies!

### Maple Syrup Chicken

- 1–2 Tbs. olive oil
- 2 Bone-in, skin-on chicken breast
- Salt and pepper to taste
- ½ Cup chicken broth
- ½ Cup maple syrup
- 1 Heaping Tbs. fresh thyme or Rosemary
- 4 Cloves of garlic, thinly sliced
- 2 Tbs. cider vinegar
- 2 Tbs. stone ground mustard
- 2 Green onions, sliced

Preheat oven to 400 degrees. In a large skillet, heat oil over medium-high heat. Season chicken with salt and pepper. Add chicken to the pan, and sauté on both sides till nicely browned. Add broth, maple syrup, thyme or rosemary, and garlic. Bring to a boil, stirring frequently for a couple of minutes. Add vinegar and mustard and cook another minute. Place chicken in baking dish, pour any sauce over chicken, and bake for 50–60 minutes or until chicken is cooked through. Top with chopped scallions and serve over browned rice.

### Maple Butter

- 1½ Cups pure maple syrup
- 1 Tsp. Kosher salt
- ½ Lb. unsalted Butter, cut in chunks and frozen

You will need a candy thermometer.

Set the frozen chunks of butter beside the stove. Put the syrup in a 3-quart or larger stainless-steel saucepan. Rub the rim with butter to prevent boil overs. Boil the syrup over medium heat without stirring until a candy thermometer registers 234 degrees. Tilt the pan to make sure syrup covers bulb of thermometer to get accurate reading.

Take the pot off the heat and add the butter and salt stirring constantly with a wooden spoon until the butter melts completely. Pour the syrup into the bowl of a stand mixer with paddle attachment or hand mixer and beat until cool and lighter color and creamy. This will take 5–10 minutes. Pour maple butter into jars or plastic container, seal, and refrigerate. It will thicken as it cools. It will last in refrigerator or freezer as long as regular butter. Great on toast or scones.

### Maple Syrup Pork Chops

- 4 Pork chops
- 2 Tbs. butter
- ¼ Cup minced onion
- 1 Medium onion sliced
- 1 Tbs. apple cider or white vinegar
- 1 Tsp. Chili powder
- ½ Tsp. pepper
- ¼ Cup maple syrup
- ¼ Cup water
- 1–2 Tbs. Worcestershire sauce
- Salt to taste
- About 1 Tbs. flour to thicken gravy

Preheat oven to 400 degrees.

Brown the pork chops in frying pan with butter over medium high heat. Cook without moving until well browned then flip and brown other side. Remove chops from pan put into high sided baking dish.

Make sauce: Add the minced and sliced onion to the sauté pan in which you browned the pork and sauté for 2–3 minutes, until the onion begins to brown. Add the vinegar, chili powder, pepper, maple syrup, water, and Worcestershire sauce to the pan and bring to boil.

Pour sauce over pork chops in baking dish. Lower heat to 350 degrees and bake uncovered for 10–15 minutes or 145 degree internal temperature.

Remove chops to plate and cover with foil.

Pour sauce into saucepan and whisk in 1 Tbs. flour to thicken gravy. Salt to taste and pour over chops.

### Creamy Maple Martini

Makes one martini

- 1.5 oz. Maple syrup

- 2 oz. Half & half cream
- 1 oz. Vodka
- Maple sugar (can use regular sugar with cinnamon). And additional syrup to rim glass.
- Cinnamon sticks

Martini glasses of your choice, cocktail shaker, and measuring cup.

Pour small amount of syrup on a small plate and dip the rim of glass in it. Then, do the same in a plate of maple sugar (or cinnamon sugar).

Measure all of your ingredients, add to the cocktail shaker and shake over ice. Strain into glass and add cinnamon stick garnish.

### Maple Syrup Kielbasa

- 1 Kielbasa sausage of your choice
- 1 Cup maple syrup

Slice Kielbasa and throw into a sauté pan. Brown kielbasa slightly on both sides. Pour maple syrup over kielbasa in pan. Cook over medium-high heat until the syrup caramelizes and edges on kielbasa get really brown on edges. Serve as an appetizer with toothpicks.

### Maple Cookies

- 1 Cup butter, softened
- 1 Cup packed brown sugar
- 1 Egg
- 1 Cup real maple syrup
- 1 Tsp. Vanilla extract
- 2 Tsp. Baking soda
- ½ Tsp. salt
- 4 Cups All-purpose flour
- 1/3 Cup granulated sugar for decoration

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Grease cookie sheets.

In large bowl, cream the butter and brown sugar. Add the egg, syrup, and vanilla. Mix until well blended. Sift together the flour, salt, and baking soda. Stir into mixture until well blended. Shape into 1-inch balls and roll in sugar. Place on cookie sheets about 2 inches apart and flatten slightly. Bake 8–10 minutes. Let cool on wire rack.

Store in airtight container. Serving 60 cookies

### Maple Candied Pecans

- 1/c Cup Maple Syrup
- 1/8 Tsp. Ground Cayenne pepper
- 1½ Tsp. Ground Cinnamon
- ½ Tsp. Fine sea salt
- 2 Cups raw Pecan halves or you can use other nuts or combination

Combine all ingredients in sauté pan. Using spoon or spatula, toss all the ingredients together until nuts are coated and all the spices are dissolved. Bring to low simmer and continue to simmer until the liquid has evaporated. When it gets to the crystal stage pour out onto parchment paper. Spread out into a single layer to cool. Breakup into pieces and enjoy.

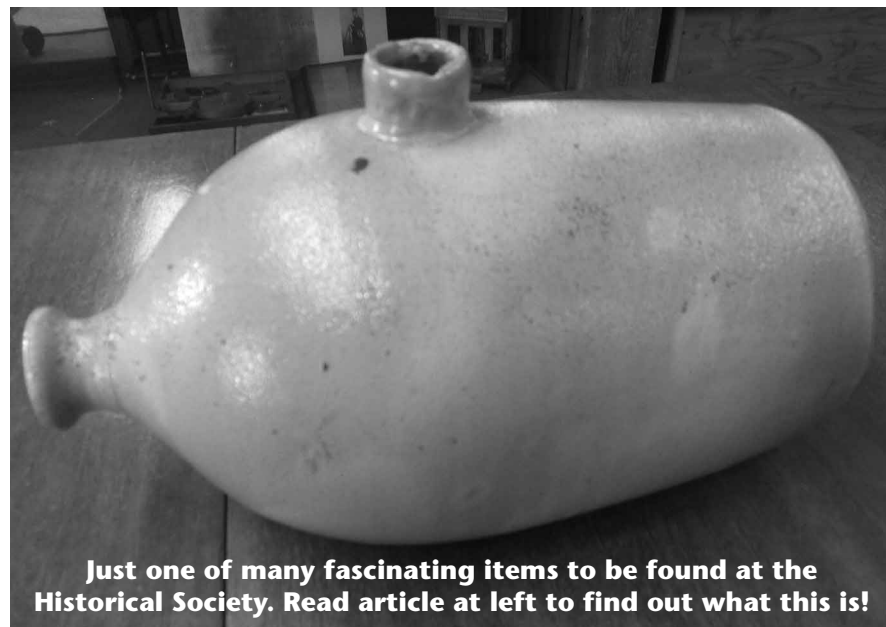


## A Glimpse Into the Historical Society

By Liz LeBrun

Boy, its cold outside! People here in New Hampshire have always looked for new and less expensive ways to keep warm during the winter months. People living back in the 19th and early 20th century were no exception. Foot warmers filled with hot water became popular items to be used in most unheated traveling vehicles, in church or even in bed. The warmer went under the feet, then the feet and legs were tucked into a blanket. Pottery, tin, and soapstone were the materials most often favored to conduct the heat but the wealthier person might have favored a more elaborate brass or silver warmer. These ceramic hot water bottles had a filling spout with a threaded stopper where the water was poured in. There was a carrying knob on one end. The earliest foot warmers held hot coals or glowing wood, not warm water.

Visit the Historical Society on the first or third Wednesday of the month from 1–3 p.m. and view our foot warmer as you think about how easy it is for us to turn on the car heater or turn up the home thermostat. For questions or to arrange a tax-deductible donation, call the Historical Society at (603) 798-4541 or e-mail us at Loudonhistory@gmail.com. ■



Just one of many fascinating items to be found at the Historical Society. Read article at left to find out what this is!

## NEWS FROM AMERICAN LEGION POST 88

By Adjutant Michael Hartt

To our Legion Family,

American Legion Post #88 held its regularly scheduled meeting on January 16 at 7 p.m. We had 7 officers, 4 members, and 1 guest attend. Our meeting opened with a salute to the American Flag, followed by a prayer by Chaplain Page. The POW/MIA flag was then placed on an empty chair to call attention to Americans still unaccounted for from World War II, the Korean War, the Vietnam War and other conflicts; and our desire to see their remains returned home. We then recited the pledge of allegiance to the flag, and the preamble of the Constitution of The American Legion.

The guest, Mr. Eugene M. Van Loan III, visited our post to donate his stamp collection to us. Mr. Van Loan put his collection together over the years and would like others to enjoy it now. He spoke to us about the declining interest in stamp collecting and expressed a desire that the collection be available for viewing by Boy and Girl Scout troops in the area as a way for them to earn their Philatelist Badge (Stamp Collecting Badge).

The phil-at the beginning of philatelist means “love.” A Francophile is a person who loves France. In the Greek “ateleia” meant “exemption from payment” and was marked by a stamp. So, a philatelist is literally a person who “loves stamps.” Post 88 gratefully accepted the donation of the collection and will make it available for viewing by the scouts and during Post Open House events.

The American Legion High School Oratorical Competition for District 5 was held February 9th at Faith Community Bible Church. Addison Hodge of Merrimack Valley High School won first place and received an American Legion Oratorical Certificate, a trophy, and \$200 in monetary awards. She will go on to compete at the state level of the competition March 16 at 9 a.m. at St. Anselm College in Manchester. The first-place finisher there will receive \$1,000.

We have post officer elections coming up soon. Any post member who wishes to be considered for a position needs to let the commander know so the members can vote on their candidacy.

Chris Wittenberg donated a bound set of Stars & Stripes newspapers from February 8, 1918 to June 13, 1919 to the post. The Stars and Stripes was conceived by a veteran of the Spanish-American War who secured the approval of General Pershing. It became the official publication of The American Expeditionary Forces during WWI. It was

managed, written, published, and printed almost entirely by enlisted men. The newspapers show what was going on at that time in our country’s history. The set will be on display during post open house events in the future.

Ken Ward presented a Christmas Holiday check for \$100 from American Legion Post #88 to the Loudon Food Pantry in December.

The Commander’s Fund drawing for January was held with Shawn Jones winning \$50, Barbara Brogan winning \$25, Ken Ward winning \$10, Sharon Elliot winning \$10, and Ken Ward winning (yet again) \$5.

There are limited numbers of Army, Navy, USMC, and USAF Times newspapers available free to anyone who would like one.

We invite area veterans to attend our regularly scheduled meetings on the third Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. If you are a military veteran and have served during periods of wartime you may be eligible for membership in the Loudon American Legion. Contact Mike Hartt at 496-2178 for more information. ■



Above: Eugene Van Loan III presents his stamp collection to members of the American Legion Post 88 leadership on January 16. Left to right: Adjutant Mike Hartt, Commander James Small, Eugene Van Loan III, vice-Commander Gary Tasker, and Junior Vice-Commander Shawn Jones.



Left: Addison Hodge (right) receives her American Legion High School Oratorical Competition award for her First Place finish in the District 5 level of the competition from Post 88 Adjutant Michael Hartt on February 9th at Faith Community Bible Church.

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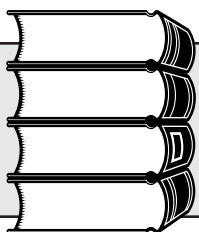
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### Story Time

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On March 5 and 7, listen to *Pigs* by Gail Gibbons, *Dirt on my Shirt* by Jeff Foxworthy, and *Wonderful Worms* by Linda Glaser. The children will take home their own little pig who will love to roll in the March mud!

On March 12 and 14, we'll celebrate St. Patrick's Day by reading something green: *Where is the Green Sheep?* by Mem Fox and Judy Horacek, *Five Green and Speckled Frogs* by Priscilla Burris, and *Go Away, Big Green Monster!* by Ed Emberley. The children will create a 'treasured' picture to celebrate March 17<sup>th</sup>.

On March 19 and 21, in preparation of NH's Maple Weekend, we will read *How to Make a Pancake* by Dave Max, *Clothesline Clues to Jobs People Do* by Kathryn Heling and Deborah Hembrook, and *Curious George Makes Maple Syrup*. The children will tape together a colorful maple leaf to hang up at home.

On March 26 and 28, the children will hear *Wake up it's Spring!* by Lisa Campbell Ernst, *The Seasons* by William B. Rice, and *Shh! Bears Sleeping* by David Martin. Story timers will get a fresh start on their spring gardens after "planting" some tulips.

### Snow Policy for Story Time and The Library

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

You can check for delays or cancellations on Channel 9, the WMUR website, Maxfield Public Library's Facebook page, [www.maxfieldlibrary.com](http://www.maxfieldlibrary.com), or you can call the library at 798-5153.

### Skin Cancer Awareness and Screening

Come in anytime between 9–1 on Saturday, March 2. On behalf of IMPACT Melanoma, Christa DeMichelis will offer free skin cancer education using a UV Facial Scanner. You'll have the chance to look at your face in the machine to see if you have UV damage and learn how to protect your skin. Educational materials will be provided as well as UV bracelets and SPF lip balm.

### Daytime Book Group

Join us on Thursday, March 21<sup>st</sup> at 2 p.m.

### Wine Glass And Mug Decorating

Join us on Thursday, March 21<sup>st</sup> from 5–7 p.m. for wine glass and mug decorating, hosted by Bethany Hawkins. Registration is required and a \$5 materials fee will be collected at the time of registration. Space is limited so be sure to come by the desk to sign up!

### Evening Book Group

We are going to be reading Hampton Sides' chilling true adventure "In the Kingdom of Ice: The Grand and Terrible Polar Voyage of the USS *Jeannette*." The discussion is scheduled for Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. in the Meeting Room.

### Stitchers

If you like to knit, crochet or quilt...and are looking for a reason to get out and join others with similar interests, come down to the library! We offer two stitching sessions; Tuesday evenings at 5:30 p.m. and Wednesday afternoons at 2:30 p.m. Just drop in for great conversation while completing your project. ■

## The Deadline for the April 2019 Loudon Ledger is Friday, March 15, 2019

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## 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.*

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Free admission for two guests.

### SEE SCIENCE CENTER

Free admission for a family.

### WRIGHT MUSEUM

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

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

## TOWN DEPARTMENT WEB SITES

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**[loudonnh.org](http://loudonnh.org)**

Loudon Elementary School/MVHS/School District:  
**<https://sites.google.com/a/mvstdpride.org/district/home>**

Maxfield Public Library: **[www.maxfieldlibrary.com](http://www.maxfieldlibrary.com)**

Loudon Food Pantry: **[www.loudonfoodpantry.org](http://www.loudonfoodpantry.org)**



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# Pack 247 News

*Submitted by Kristi and Dennis Jakubowski*

The Tigers of Pack 247 have been busy this year. They participated in collecting food for the Loudon food pantry this holiday season, and recently learned all about Internet safety and responsibility at the Maxfield Public Library. They have enjoyed packing their hiking essentials and hitting the trails and cannot wait to do more hiking this spring. They are honing their team building skills and are confident they are going to have some of the fastest cars at the Pinewood Derby next month.

The Bears have earned their whittling chip as the boys carved a bar of soap into a model of their choice. The boys also learned how to properly care for, sharpen, and control a knife. The Bears are currently working on earn-

ing their Baloo the Builder achievement, where they design, plan, and make a wood project of their choice. Poppa's shop has seen some intense action over the last couple of weeks.

The Arrow of Lights have been working with the Wolves to earn their Paws on the Path and Running with the Pack achievements, which are both sport and team focused achievements. They have been working on collaboration, developing team work skills, and learning to be a fair player in all games.

The Pack is looking forward to the Pinewood Derby on March 9th at Loudon Elementary School. The Derby

starts at 8 a.m., come one, come all, and cheer on the pack. There will be racing excitement and refreshments! District Pinewood Derby will be held April 9th at Winnisquam Regional High School, TBD.

The Pack will be visiting a maple syrup house in the next month to learn how syrup is made. Summer Camp early bird deadline is due March 13th, please talk with Dennis Jakubowski, POPPA, about ensuring their payments.

As always, the pack is always accepting new members — please email Dennis Jakubowski at [pack247cubmaster@gmail.com](mailto:pack247cubmaster@gmail.com). ■





# Good News From Loudon Elementary School

## Upcoming Events

- 3/6 Grades 3–5 Field Trip to CCA  
 3/7 MVSD Annual Meeting at MVHS at 7 p.m. The polls at MVHS will be open from 11 a.m. until 7 p.m.  
 3/14 PTA at 5:30  
 3/21 Second Trimester Report Cards Issued  
 3/22 No School. Teacher's Workshop Day  
 3/28 Incoming Kindergarten Information Night at 6:30

## Kindergarten Registration

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

## Do You Shop Shutterfly and/or Tiny Prints?

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<http://loudonelementaryschool.shutterflystorefront.com/>

## LES Happenings

Mrs. Bennett, our Media Center Assistant, organized the annual **National Geographic Geography Bee**. Students in fourth and fifth grade participated in the classroom bees. Winners from these went on to compete in a school-wide bee. Congratulations to the LES Geography Bee winner, Wyatt Gilman, and runner-up, Abigail Thompson (see photo below).

The **LES Chorus** performed the **National Anthem** at the **Manchester Monarchs** game on February 1. This is always a fun night for our students! Tickets purchased by LES families also benefitted the LES PTA.

On Friday, February 8, primary students **celebrated the 100th day of school** in a variety of ways. The Kindergarten students created displays of 100 items, while First Graders held a parade to show off their personally decorated hats! ■



Fourth graders have tapped several trees on our property as part of their study of natural resources. They are looking forward to learning about the process of making maple syrup as well!



Left: Cheering on the Monarchs! Right: Having fun at the game.



The Staff dressed up as if they were 100 years old — the students loved it!



LEFT: Congratulations to the National Geographic Geography Bee. The winner (right) was Wyatt Gilman and the runner-up was Abigail Thompson. ABOVE: Participants in the Geography Bee.



## Legislative Listening Session Scheduled for April 6

State Representatives George Saunderson and Howard Moffett (representing Merrimack District 9, Loudon and Canterbury) and Howard Pearl (representing Merrimack District 26, which includes Loudon, Canterbury, Boscawen, Northfield, and Franklin Ward 3) invite all interested Loudon residents to a non-partisan “Legislative Listening Session” on Saturday morning, April 6, from 10 to 11:30 a.m., in the meeting room of the Maxfield Memorial Library.

This will be Loudon’s first legislative listening session during the 2019–20 term of the State Legislature. It comes just after the April 4 “Crossover” deadline for the State

House of Representatives to act on all non-budget bills going to the State Senate and just before the April 11 Crossover deadline for budget bills. It will be an opportunity for your state legislators to hear your views on pending and proposed legislation that must pass both chambers in order to go to the Governor’s desk for his signature or veto and for you to hold your state legislators accountable for their votes on legislation passed (or defeated) by the House during this first half of the 2019 legislative session.

Coffee and donuts will be served. Please mark your calendars and come for any or all of the April 6 meeting at the Library. We look forward to seeing you there. ■



## Lions Club News



### Loudon Lions Club Creating Energy

Membership is growing in the revitalized Loudon Lions Club, which hosted District Governor Steve Middlemiss at its regularly scheduled meeting on Feb. 6. The Lions promote camaraderie and community service, and locally help out with blood drives, vision screenings, ice cream socials, free breakfasts, charity road races, and much more. We’d like to continue to grow and we welcome more members. Contact any member with questions or stop by our regular meetings, the first Tuesday of every month at the Maxfield Library.

*Left to right, rear: Mike Hart (rear), Rose Giambalvo, Vince Giambalvo, Mike Moffett (rear), LeeAnn Middlemiss, Barry Boriss (rear), District Governor Steve Middlemiss, Esther Boriss (rear), Sara Wagner, Laura Smith (rear), Elizabeth Whitham, and Ken Ward (rear). (Missing: Glen Booth, Shawn Jones, Karen Prior, and Lee Smith.)*



### Emily Masse Graduates With Honors



Emily Masse of Loudon graduated *Summa Cum Laude* from the University of New Hampshire in December 2018. She earned an Honors BA in Communication: Business Applications. Ms. Masse is now the Marketing Coordinator for NOBL Coffee in Exeter, NH. Congratulations, Emily! ■

## REMINDER ABOUT RECYCLING PLASTICS IN LOUDON

### Recycling Committee & the Transfer Station

**Only #1 and #2 plastic items are acceptable.** Food and beverage containers should be completely emptied and clean. Going forward, bottle caps and container covers should be removed and discarded in the trash.

Dunkin’ Donut cups, yogurt, cottage cheese, and similar types of containers are no longer going to be recycled here.

Automotive oil, anti-freeze, and other toxic chemical containers are not allowed.

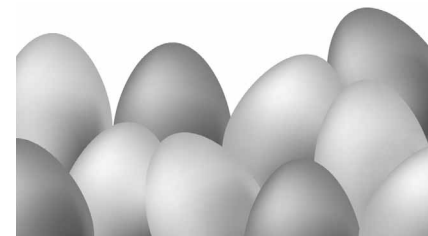
**Thank you for recycling, reducing and reusing.**  
Please follow the Loudon Recycling Committee on Facebook.

### PTA Looking for Egg Hunt Sponsors

The Loudon Elementary School PTA invites you to join them for their annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 20, 2019 at 9 a.m. The Hunt will be held at the School and, as always, this event is free for families of children ages K through fifth grade.

The PTA is currently looking for sponsors of the Easter Egg Hunt to keep this event free. We are also looking for donations of candy and non-candy items to stuff the eggs with.

If you are interested in donating items, sponsoring the event or donating your time to stuff eggs, please reach out to us. You may email [loudonpta@AOL.com](mailto:loudonpta@AOL.com) for more information. ■



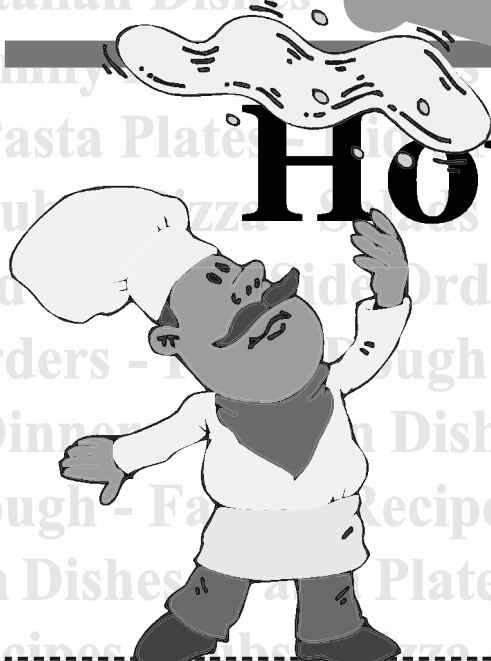


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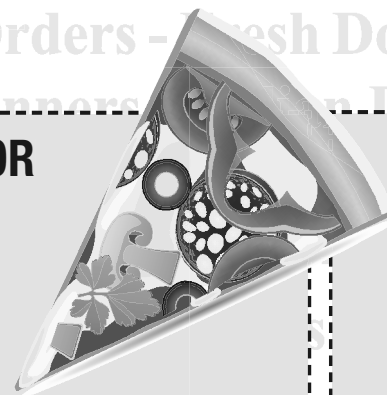
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# Loudon Students are Speeding to Read as Many Books as Possible Before the School Year Ends

**Students at three New Hampshire elementary schools, including Loudon, are in a race to see who can read the most books as part of New Hampshire Motor Speedway's Speeding to Read program.**

Students at Loudon Elementary School are reading as many books as they can before the 2018/2019 school year ends for a chance to win a visit from New Hampshire Motor Speedway, complete with a private pizza party, an appearance by a NASCAR driver and the chance to see (and hear!) a real race car, before they are out of school for the summer as part of the speedway's Speeding to Read program.

"The Speeding to Read program encourages students to practice the skills we work on each day at home while uniting us as a community in our work towards a worthwhile goal which promotes pride in our school," said Catherine Masterson, principal of Loudon Elementary School. "The correlation between the time children spend reading or being read to and their literacy success is well documented. We appreciate that the speedway organizes this challenge to support the community in which it resides."

To help kick off the school year's Speeding to Read program, 26-year-old NASCAR Whelen Modified Tour driver and Wakefield, N.H. native, Melissa Fifield, along with fellow NASCAR Whelen Modified Tour driver Matt Swanson and 2018 NASCAR K&N Pro Series East champion Tyler Ankrum, visited with more than 200 kids at Loudon Elementary School in September. The drivers spent time with the students talking about why reading is so important, how it helped them handle personal struggles while growing up and even sharing their favorite books.

"A lot of people don't know this about me, but as a little kid I used to have a stutter," said Ankrum. "Reading helped me a lot with that by teaching me not only how to read and write, but how to speak, and that's really important, even as a NASCAR driver, especially when you're doing interviews or speaking in front of a crowd or in a room full of kids."

The students asked questions, cheered on the drivers and headed back to their classrooms, but not without high-fiving the drivers on their way out of the gymnasium. With only a few more months until the school year and Speeding to Read ends, Loudon Elementary School is now in a race of their own against two other New Hampshire elementary schools to read the most books and be named the 2018/2019 Speeding to Read Champions. The Town of Loudon and New Hampshire Motor Speedway is cheering on each and every student to pick up and read just one more book!

Speeding to Read is an incentive-based, motorsports-themed reading program launched by New Hampshire Motor Speedway in 2017 to encourage elementary school students to read more frequently during the school year. Student bodies are split into two divisions — kindergarten through second grade and third through fifth grade — with individuals, classrooms and schools competing against each other to read the most books and earn the title of Speeding to Read champions. At the end of each school year, the top classrooms from each division receive a special visit from New Hampshire Motor Speedway to celebrate reading the most books. This year, there are three schools competing in Speeding to Read in Loudon, Allenstown and Concord (Abbot-Downing School), N.H. For more information on the Speeding to Read program, visit <http://Reading.NHMS.com/> ■



## Loudon Police Department News

By Kristoffer Burgess, Chief of Police

Mark your calendars! Loudon Fire & Police will be teaming up once again for our Annual Blood Drive on May 1st, 2019 from 2 p.m.–7 p.m. at the Arthur Colby Safety Building. To make this year's event more fun, we have decided to do BATTLE OF THE BADGES! Help us meet our goal of a minimum of 80 donors! Whichever team gets the most support (all in fun, of course!) will win the bragging rights and hold the trophy for the coming year. In addition, the "losing" team will be providing a luncheon for the "winning" team's employees. Of course, we are all a great big team and we would appreciate your support no matter who you choose!

New teenage driver in the family? Have you considered a driving contract with your newly-licensed driver? There are many different contracts you can find on the internet. As your teenager gains your experience and trust, you can always adjust the contract to what your expectations are. A few items to consider:

- Who is allowed in the vehicle?
- Who is responsible for the maintenance of the vehicle? Who is responsible for the fees associated? Gas? Insurance?
- What happens if a motor vehicle summons is received?
- What happens if grades in school aren't maintained?
- What are the consequences of any violations to the above (beyond what motor vehicle mandates)? Although a state law, what is your consequence if your child is texting and/or using cell phone while driving? Other items to address are: distractions in the car: i.e.: music, friends, eating while driving, etc. Incorporate a protocol regarding impaired driving. What are the consequences?

In February, we welcomed Officer Gian Wilson to the department. Officer Wilson will be attending the next academy in May. Welcome Officer Wilson! ■

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# Humanity & the Heavens: From Stonehenge to Challenger and Beyond

By Chris Wittenberg

Have you ever laid on the ground and looked up into space and wondered, “What’s up there”?

Philip Browne, a retired Science teacher from Concord High School, now living in Loudon, provided our town residents an amazing presentation on the United States Space Program on January 26 at the Maxfield Public Library.

Mr. Browne shared his insights between the relationship of people on Earth today, and in the past, with the stars, moon, and planets.

In 1986 Mr. Browne was a science teacher at Goffstown High. He was one of the six New Hampshire finalists for the Teacher in Space program. Philip wasn’t selected to be a participant in this program, but during his tenure at Concord High and every year since has worked to promote the legacy of the first Teacher in Space, Concord High teacher Christa McAuliffe.

Christa died on the Challenger Space Shuttle on January 28, 1986 with astronauts El Onizuka, Greg Jarvis, and Judy Resnik, Mike Smith, Dick Scobee, and Ron McNair. The Challenger’s O ring malfunctioned in the right solid rocket booster which ultimately led to the destruction of the shuttle.

From the earliest explorers, to the newest scientific data “collectors,” there has been fascination about how the heavens influence us and how the universe works.

The audience was amazed with beautiful photos including those of nebulas; star nurseries, which give birth to stars as they spin through galactic space.

The presentation began with an overview of the flight successes of the Wright Brothers at Kitty Hawk, to Robert Goddard, whose rocket designs were used during World War II by the Germans, and finished with the International Space Station, and possible trips to the moon and, possibly, colonies on the Moon and Mars. Mr. Browne spoke of Elon Musk, the famous CEO of SpaceX, who successfully launched and retrieved one of his well-known Tesla automobiles.

Mr. Browne spoke about Yuri Gagarin, the Soviet pilot and cosmonaut who became the first human to be launched into outer space in the Vostok 1 spacecraft in April of 1961; and of course, New Hampshire’s own Alan Shepard who was the United States’ pioneer Astronaut aboard Freedom 7 in May of 1961. And who will ever forget Neil Armstrong who upon becoming the first human to set foot onto another world — our Moon — on July 21, 1969, stated, “That’s one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind.”

Mr. Browne finished his presentation by describing some of the legacies created to honor Christa McAuliffe including Concord’s McAuliffe-Shepard Discovery Center, and the highly successful UNH Forest Watch program that began with Philip’s students at Concord High in 1989.

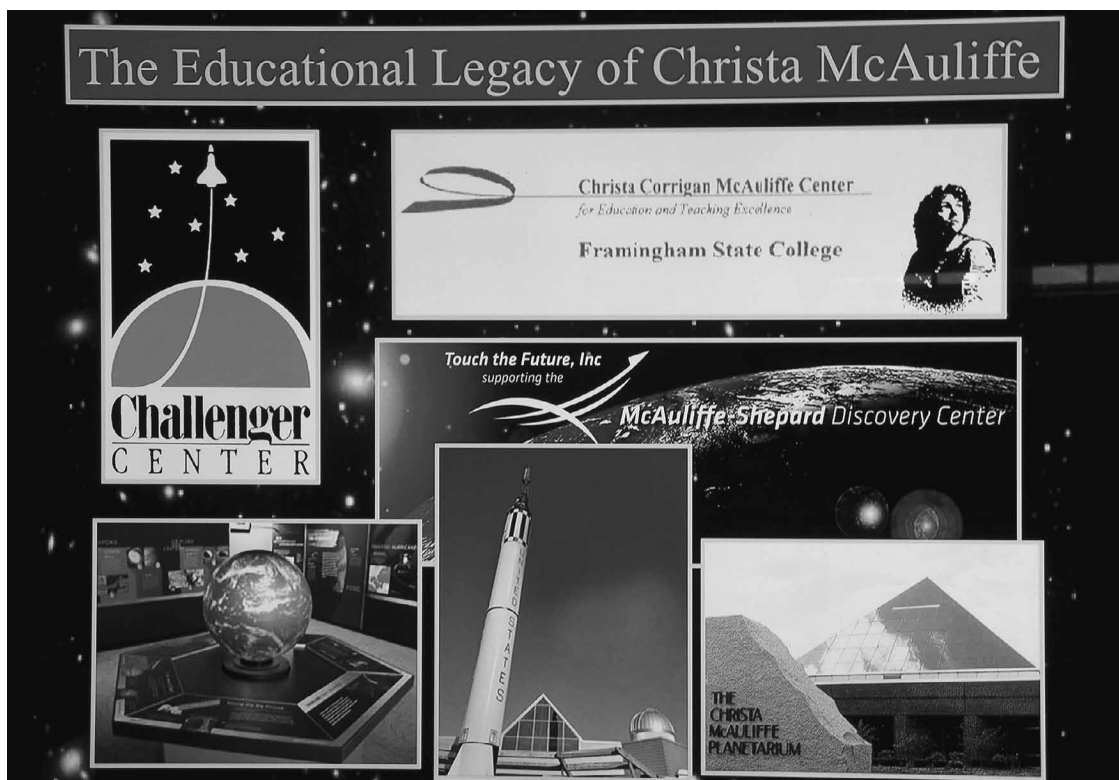
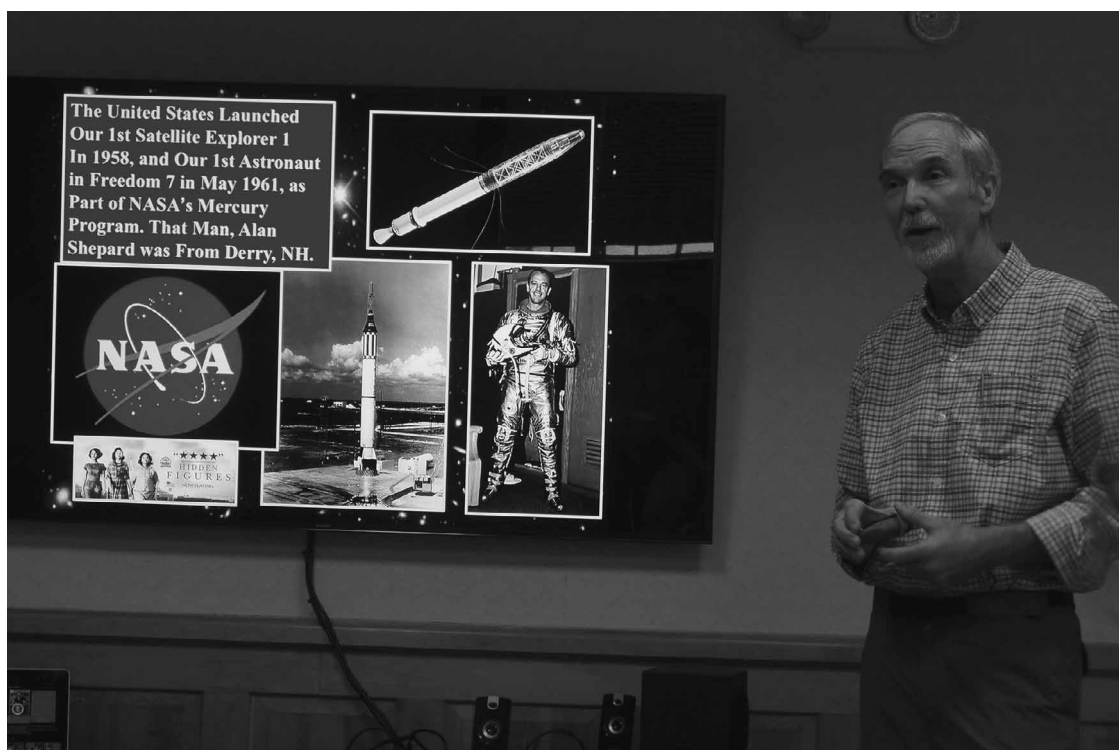
Forest Watch had children from kindergarten to students through grade 12 carry out authentic field, lab, and satellite remote sensing studies of the effect of smog or low-altitude ozone on the health of white pine trees. During its 23 years of study, teachers from over 350 schools were trained in the Forest Watch Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) protocols and submitted data to UNH.


Forest Watch has been the model for a number of other successful science programs, including the University of New Hampshire’s Science and Mathematics Achievement through Research Training; now known as Project SMART. Project SMART provides summer STEM training to high school students. STEM programs became a presidential priority in 2011 because too few college students were pursuing degrees in these fields.

Another project using the Forest Watch model is the Global Learning and Observations to Benefit the Environment (GLOBE) Program. The Globe Program is a worldwide hands-on science and education program that focuses on the environment and works to promote the teaching and learning of science and promote scientific discovery. The international GLOBE Program works with K-12 students in 129 countries.

The newest iteration of Forest Watch is currently looking for funding to provide in-house scientists to school districts in New Hampshire, and ultimately the entire United States. This project is called SOS-Success On STEAM — where A stands for the Arts. This project will help students and society interpret the scientific information generated from the STEM components. SOS-Success On STEAM has an evolving website at sos-team.org.

Philip wants us to consider how science through STEAM can make the world a better place for all of its life forms; especially our children, and the children of tomorrow, now and into the future.





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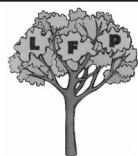
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## Loudon Food Pantry News

### January Meal Numbers

In January we gave out enough food to create 2,682 meals to 219 individuals. 56 of those were age 60 and older, 76 were age 18 or under, and 87 were in between those ages. These figures were just a partial month because of inventory.

### What is Food Insecurity?

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) defines food insecurity as a lack of consistent access to enough food for an active, healthy life.

### What is Hunger?

Hunger is an actual physical sensation or discomfort.

### What Are The Effects of Food Insecurity (Feeding America)

- Serious health complications, especially when people facing hunger are forced to choose between spending money on food and medicine or medical care;
- Damage to a child's ability to learn and grow; and
- Difficult decisions for seniors — often living on fixed incomes — such as choosing between paying for food and critical healthcare.

### Do you need food? Let Us Help!

If you live in Belmont, Canterbury, Chichester or Loudon, NH we can help! Go to [www.loudonfoodpantry.org](http://www.loudonfoodpantry.org) or call Sue at 724-9731 to find out if you qualify. If you do, we will make an appointment for you to receive food. You can come in as often as once per week! ■

## Loudon Alternative Energy Committee Recommends Warrant Article #8

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

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

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

The Committee concluded that these upgrades will save energy and money, while improving lighting, improving safety and reducing the maintenance costs.



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

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

*Alternative Committee Members: George Saunderson, Harry MacLauchlan, Trudy Mott-Smith, Michele York, Dennis Jakubowski, and Stanley H. Prescott II*

## Civil Air Patrol Open House

Over the years a number of Loudon people have enjoyed great experiences with the New Hampshire Civil Air Patrol and the local CAP unit — the Concord Composite Squadron — would love to see that tradition continue. Concord's CAP squadron will host its Spring Open House and Recruiting Night on Thursday, March 21st starting promptly at 6:30 p.m. at the New Hampshire Army National Guard Armory, 1 Minuteman Way, just off Regional Drive, adjacent to the airport in Concord. This Open House is the first 2019 opportunity for interested youth and adults to get involved with CAP in Merrimack County.

The Concord Squadron only accepts prospective new members twice per year, at predesignated times. This Spring's new member period begins at the Open House on March 21st.

Guests attending the Open House can access the armory through the Minuteman Way Gate off Regional Drive. Please have photo ID available for the sentries at the gate. Once on the base, the armory is located at the extreme northern end of the reservation, near Pembroke Road.

If you are interested in joining but cannot visit during the Open House, don't despair! Contact our Recruiting Officer, Lt Col Darin Ninness via email ([dninness@nhwg.cap.gov](mailto:dninness@nhwg.cap.gov)) for other arrangements. ■

*Loudon's Mike Moffett (left) is a lieutenant colonel in the Civil Air Patrol's Concord Composite Squadron while Howard Pearl is a major in the Legislative Squadron.*



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## **Exemplary Country Estates of New Hampshire**

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

When: Wednesday, April 3rd

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

Time: 7:00pm

Cost: free

Contact information: Michele York 396-2362



**Loudon Young at Heart**  
By Maureen Prescott

It was a cloudy, damp January day in the teens with a feel of snow in the air when thirty-nine members of the Young at Heart gathered at Charlie's Barn on January 12th for this month's meeting of "Show and Tell." Letty Barton opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance, followed by a brief reading.

Several members shared their collections and hobbies and explained the processes used to complete their projects and in other cases the age of some of their collective items. This meeting was very interesting and enjoyable. Not only did we see the completed items but were informed on the supplies used as well as their individual techniques. The individuals that presented were:

- Dottie Mulkhey — *Salt Cellars*
- Lee Mullen — *Crochet Necklaces*
- Barbara Follansbee — *Counted Cross Stitch*
- Betty Sackos — *Scrapbooking*
- Carol O'Brien for her sister Maureen Hudson — *Betty Boop Collection*
- Letty Barton — *Quilting*

The June trip this year will be the "Lake Sunapee Boat Cruise." The sign up and collection of money for this trip will be at our April meeting. The cost for the cruise and buffet is \$37.00 per member.

Our March 12th meeting will be Bingo with pizza for lunch. The cost of pizza is \$3.00 per member.

Just a reminder, donations to the Food Panty are accepted at all meetings. Also, now with winter upon us, please remember, that if the Merrimack Valley School District is closed there will be no Young at Heart meeting. Note: The CAP program has a bus for senior transportation that comes from the Pittsfield's Senior Center to Loudon on Mondays, additional information on this is available by calling 435-8482.

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Jack Prendiville  
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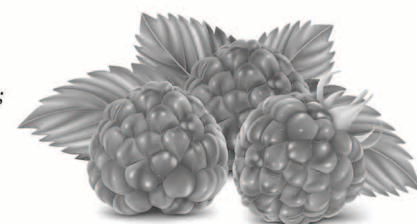
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## OBITUARIES

### NORA CARSON

Nora Carson age 82 died Thursday Jan. 31 at her home surrounded by her family. She was born in Concord, daughter of the late Thomas and Marjorie (Nelson) Graziano.

She worked in the banking industry for many years as a teller, most recently at Merrimack County Savings Bank. She was the most loving mother and grandmother, and cherished spending time with her family.

She was predeceased by her husband John Carson.

She is survived by her son: Scott Martell, Sr. and his wife Marlene; daughter, Jamie (Hill) Solomon and her husband Stephen; five grandchildren, Scott Martell, Jr., Misty Martell, Allison Solomon, Danielle Solomon, Christina Solomon; a brother, Gary Graziano and his wife Dottie; and a sister, Rita Gerrard.

Graveside services will be held in Contoocook in the spring.

### PATRICIA WRAY (GILCHRIST) McFADDEN TAYLOR

Patricia Wray (Gilchrist) McFadden Taylor, 71, passed Saturday, February 2, 2019 at home in Loudon, NH after a 10-month fight with cancer. She was surrounded by her close family and friends and Hospice.

She was born on August 30, 1947 in Winchester, MA, daughter of Ross S. Gilchrist and Virginia A. Rohrman.

She is survived by her loving husband of 29 years, Donald E. Taylor, her three children, Stephanie (McFadden) Hatfield, Jeffrey McFadden, and Audrey McFadden; stepson, Donald Taylor, Jr.; four grandchildren, Bradley and Alexander Hatfield, Justice and Devan McFadden; two brothers, Steve and Rich Gilchrist; half-brother Charles MacNeil; nieces and nephews.

Patricia graduated in 1965 from Littleton, NH High School. She worked in customer service for the State of NH IT Department and retired after 32 years along with her career at Steeplegate Mall as customer service rep for several years. She also worked part time in the State's Board of Medicine offices.

Patricia loved traveling with her husband and had many friends in Scotland. Her laughter was contagious, loved helping others and making new friends. She loved going on motorcycle rides with her husband and loved the ocean and beaches. Her cherished moments were those shared with her family, surrounded by pets, cooking in her kitchen and being with close friends.

To view Patricia's Online Tribute, send condolences to the family, or for more information, visit [www.csnh.com](http://www.csnh.com).

### MERRILL WENTWORTH SINCLAIR

Retired MSGT Merrill Wentworth Sinclair, affectionately known as "Papa" and "Pops," 84-years-old, died February 11, 2019 at Epsom Healthcare Center peacefully with his wife and daughter by his side.

Born in Lynn, MA on July 25, 1934, only son of the late Carlton V. and Doris E. (Merrill) Sinclair.

Merrill grew up in Loudon and called it his home. At the age of 18 Merrill signed up to serve his country in the Air Force where he made the military his life as a B-52 maintenance jet mechanic — 509 Bomb Wing SAC before retiring in 1975. He also worked at Cambion Electronics, Concord Hospital, and NHMS.

Merrill was a member of Post 88 American Legion in Loudon where in the 80s he helped in bringing a 2-day fair to Loudon. While stationed in Maine he enjoyed going and listening to Country and Western friend, Dick Curless, and also getting to know a fellow serviceman actor, Jimmy Stewart, when he was in England. Merrill enjoyed spending time with family and friends, having gatherings out in his garage for BBQs, trick-or-treating, and family get togethers. His hobbies were building bird houses and selling them at craft fairs and the Deerfield Fair, until his illness put a stop to it. He was most proud of his only two grandsons.

Merrill was predeceased by a son, David C. Sinclair, in 2006.

Members of his family include his wife of 63 years, Lois I. (Kibbee) Sinclair; son and daughter-in-law, Aprilli; daughter, Janice-Ann and her cat, Geisha; two grandsons, Thomas and his girlfriend, Rachael, and Jonathan and his girlfriend, Kendra.

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

## Historical Society Minutes — Jan. 2, 2019

### Attendance:

Dustin Bowles, Deanna Tranfaglia, Lucy Gordon, Michelle York, Roger Maxfield, Chris Wittenberg and Liz LeBrun. New member Elizabeth Whitham was welcomed.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

The secretary's report was read and *Lucy moved to accept. Deanna seconded. Motion carries.*

The treasurer reported a balance of \$1,644 also noting that the calendar sales have been very successful and raised a substantial amount.

Roger will call Canterbury to set up demonstrations and discussion of the Past Perfect software so we are informed about what components need to be purchased.

A 2019 warrant article has been submitted to withdraw money from the Town History Capital Reserve Fund to pay Melissa Moore for one year to begin writing the town history. Her contract is also written for one year with specifics as to what she will accomplish.

April 3 is a goal for our first 2019 educational presentation to the town. The NH Humanities Lecture entitled "Country Estates of New Hampshire" describes 1902–1913 abandoned farm real estate. Michelle will coordinate and see about getting a grant for the entire cost. There was interest in getting Mark Stevens back for a presentation in the fall.

On January 23, the Library is celebrating an anniversary of Loudon and has asked the Historical Society to be involved. Roger will take an enlarged map of the town along with the poster of our one room schoolhouses and will pinpoint for residents where they might have attended school. Deanna has volunteered to help.

There was discussion of the fundraising letter to be sent to businesses and individuals to help fund the Town History Book. We need a high-quality letter with a return envelope. An acknowledgement of each contributor would be necessary.

It was questioned whether the book would go online and it was generally thought that it was a possibility after all the books are sold.

Members signed up to man the Historical Society during the Wednesday openings.

*A motion was made by Chris Wittenberg to start the monthly meeting at 6:00 p.m. during the winter months. Second by Dustin. Discussion that some members could not make the earlier time. The motion was defeated.*

Director Michelle York presented a DVD made by the town of Tamworth for their 250th celebration. We may want to do something similar and are open to ideas to get total town involvement for our 2023 celebration.

Last year much was accomplished including gaining the 501(c)3 status, beginning the production of the Town History and recruiting new members. The goal for 2019 will be Inventory.

We read a *Ledger* article about the first Made in Loudon Expo back in 2009 and look forward to carrying on the tradition.

Some housekeeping issues include fixing the overhead light on the pole outside. Stanley Prescott will be contacted concerning that. The former town office building has an open window underneath that makes it accessible for animals to go in and out.

The next meeting is February 6 at 6:30 p.m. If Merrimack Valley School District is closed, the monthly meeting will be cancelled.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

*Liz LeBrun, Secretary*




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## Library Trustees Minutes — Jan. 7, 2019

Meeting called @ 5:05 by Alice, 2nd by Carrie

### Attendance:

Library Trustees — Alice Tuson, Carrie James, Diane Miller Alternate — Chris Wittenberg

Jackie Heath Library Director  
Naquisha Bourget is interested in becoming a Trustee Alternate

Directors report — State Library and town hall reports are being prepared. Reports are due 1/17. Alice will submit the Trustees Report.

Reviewed Profit and Loss Report. New format is appreciated by Trustees, Thank you Jackie.

Reviewed pest exterminators quotes for treatment and yearly maintenance treatments. Will sign with Colonial Pest.

Jackie will be calling Silver & Sons regarding the children door. Carrie found the name of who fixed the door in 2017.

Minutes reviewed an accepted from December 2018

Astronomy & Stars will be the theme for summer reading. Which will coincide with the new telescope.

Jackie is reviewing options for panic button/security cameras.

Waiting on a new quote from Tasker on the garden in memory of Fran. The hope is to have completed by April/May.

Alice Tuson made a motion to adjourn the meeting @ 5:57 p.m. Seconded by Carrie James

Submitted by  
Alice Tuson  
Carrie James  
Diane Miller

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the April 2019  
Loudon Ledger  
is  
Friday,  
March 15, 2019**

## Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — January 15, 2019

### Present:

Chairman Fiske, Selectman Miller and Selectman Prescott.

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

*Selectman Miller moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, January 8, 2019. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. All in favor. Motion carried.*

Chairman Fiske recognized Planning Board Chairman Tom Moore. Mr. Moore explained that he is looking for direction regarding the process for impact fees. Chairman Fiske said he would like to see documentation. Mr. Moore suggested an internal audit to verify where the funds are at this point. Mr. Moore said he will bring that information to the Board in a couple of weeks.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received a memo from the Town Clerk. Mrs. Young said she would like to hire Jamie Gareau to fill the position of Deputy Town Clerk. The Board reviewed the memo and Ms. Gareau's resume. They agreed to hiring her, an appointment paper will be signed next Tuesday.

The Board received a memo from Chief Burgess regarding a training schedule and quotes for cruisers.

The Board received a resignation letter from Officer Hebert. *Selectman Miller made a motion to accept the resignation letter from Officer Hebert. He said Officer Herbert resigned in an effort to allow Officer Posada to stay on part — time. Selectman Miller thanks Officer Hebert for four years of service. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. All in favor. Motion carried.*

The Board received a Premium Holiday distribution for Unemployment in the amount of \$145.00 from Primex.

The Board received a Premium Holiday distribution for Workers' Compensation in the amount of \$23,347.63 from Primex.

The Board received a letter from F. Coley regarding A. Greene. Chairman Fiske will contact them.

The Board received an order to partially stay litigation on PSNH 2017 tax abatement appeals.

The Board received a proposal for roadside mowing from J. Landry. The Board agreed that the road agent can hire Mr. Landry according to the contract.

The Board received updated January Police Department schedules and the February schedule.

The Board received an on-site compliance evaluation report for Pleasant View Garden from NHDES.

Chairman Fiske explained that being 6:30 p.m. they would start the public hearing for the budget, revenues and warrant for 2019–2020. Chairman Fiske started with a review of the budget. He explained that he would mention areas that have changed in the budget.

Chairman Fiske explained that the selectmen's office part-time help line has been decreased 100% because the part-time person has become full-time and her salary has been included in the office wage line.

Selectmen — office staff mileage line is increased 50%

Selectmen — data process line is increased 29%

Selectmen — office equipment increased 111%. Tommy Blanchette asked what the increase is for. Mrs. Pearl answered that the town office server has to be replaced along with a couple of work stations.

Selectmen — registry of deeds is down 50%

Selectmen — advertising down 25%

Landfill testing line has increased 163%

The Historical Society increased 14%.

Town Clerk — Deputy Town Clerk's wages have increased 116%. Jeff Leonard asked why. Selectman Miller explained that they had one person acting as both the deputy town clerk as well as the deputy tax collector. He said now each will be a separate deputy. Alvin See asked if the previous deputy was working full — time. Selectman Miller said no. Mr. Leonard asked if they will be working more. The Board said no.

Town Clerk — dog license line is down 97%

Election — salary line is down 31%

Election — printing is down 22%

Election — expenses are down 71%

Election — advertising is down 100%

Assessment/Utilities line is up 22%

Tax Collector — Deputy Tax Collector line is up 53% for the same reason the deputy town clerk's line is up.

Tax Collector — data processing line is up 17%

Tax Collector — office supply line is down 44%

Tax Collector — registry of deeds line is down 17%

Treasurer — bank charge is up 14%

Treasurer — service charge line is down 67%.

Treasurer — office supplies is up 14%.

Selectmen's legal line is up 67%. Tommy Blanchette said based on the fact that it goes up every year and what is going on he wonders if this increase is enough. He suggested going up to \$75,000 based on what has already been spent this year. Chairman Fiske said they will take that under consideration.

Planning Board — data processing line is down 45%

Planning Board — Central NH Regional Planning Commission is up 8%

Planning Board — office supplies is up 20%

Planning Board — postage is up 12%

Planning Board — registry of deeds is up 25%

Zoning Board — salaries are up 1%

Zoning Board — data processing is down 45%.

Zoning Board — office supplies is up 20%

Town office cleaning line has been zeroed out because the person that is now full — time in the selectmen's office cleans this building and the community building.

Town office — electricity is up 26%

Town street lighting is up 8%

Town heat is up 100%

Town health and dental is up 9%

Unemployment insurance is down 16%

Workers' compensation is up 10%

Property and liability insurance is down 4%

Police — salary line is up due to a mishap with the last budget that needs to be fixed this year.

PD — County dispatch line is up 14%

PD — Computer support/maint is up 31%

Mr. Blanchette asked about this line, he said he's been to meeting throughout the year where things have been discussed. Selectman Miller explained that the police departments system is not CJIS compliant and doesn't meet federal government criteria. He said they have done some upgrades but more needs to be done, because of that they pulled it out of the operating budget and have a warrant article. Selectman Miller explained that this is a necessity; if there was a breach it would be costly to the town because of all the personal information they gather. The support/maint line is up because they have to have someone to install, support and maintain this new equipment.

PD — Prosecution is up 2%. Chairman Fiske explained that they use Concord City Prosecutors; he said it is a major asset to use them.

PD — electricity/lights is up 21%

PD — gasoline is down 11%.

PD — vehicle repair is up 33%.

PD — outside services is down 55%.

PD — special events down 26%. Chairman Fiske said this is due to only one major race.

FD — special events down 20%.

Witness fee's down 50%.

Ambulance wages are up 2%. Chairman Fiske explained that they have not added COLA's to any salary line; they are still thinking about it.

Ambulance wages — part-time is up 15%.

Ambulance billing fee's is down 25%.

Ambulance OT wages/FF/EMTS is down 8%.

Ambulance paramedic services is down 33%.

FD — telephone up 29%.

FD — medical expenses up 16%.

FD — radio maintenance down 23%.

FD — truck maintenance up 9%.

Compliance — code enforcement wages up 13%.

Compliance Asst. wages down 4%.

Highway — electricity up 14%.

Highway — equipment rental up 43%.

Highway — signs down 40%.

Highway — parts truck #6 up 36%

Highway — parts truck #5 up 36%

Highway — parts truck #1 down 64%

Highway — parts truck #4 up 7%

Highway — parts loader up 67%

Highway — parts tractor down 17%

### Selectmen — cont. on 27

Highway — parts one ton up 7%

Highway — parts and tires down 25%

Highway — parts backhoe down 50%

Highway — excavator maintenance up 67%

Highway — gas and oil up 13%

Highway — repair truck #6 up 56%

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Highway — repair truck #5 up 56%  
 Highway — repair truck #1 down 72%  
 Highway — repair truck #4 up 56%  
 Highway — repair loader up 100%  
 Highway — repair tractors down 50%  
 Highway — parts and repair sanders down 33%

Highway — repair backhoe down 50%  
 Highway — park maint. and supplies down 18%  
 Highway Block Grant salt down 2%  
 Highway Block Grant sand down 100%  
 Highway Block Grant bank gravel down 100%  
 Highway Block Grant crushed stone up 100%.

Highway Block Grant oil up 18%. Mr. See asked what this is used for. Mr. Pearl said for sealing roads.

Highway Block Grant asphalt down 8%  
 Highway Block Grant culverts down 80%  
 Highway Block Grant road maint. up 17%  
 Landfill — electricity up 18%  
 Landfill — solid waste heat down 44%  
 Landfill — repair skid steer up 100%  
 Landfill — tipping fees up 3%  
 Landfill — electronics & lightbulb disposal down 40%

Landfill — tire disposal down 58%  
 Landfill — forklift repair up 33%  
 Rec — swim lesson wages up 25%. Dustin Bowles asked why an increase. Chairman Fiske said its due to an increase in children attending.

Rec — Young at Heart up 33%  
 Library — telephone is up 4%  
 Library — postage down 60%  
 Library — reference materials down 20%  
 Library — elevator maintenance up 28%  
 Library — nonprint material down 13%  
 Library — periodicals up 14%  
 Library supplies down 11%  
 Library — preservation down 100%  
 Economic Development — office supplies/expenses up 900%. Chairman Fiske said it looks like a lot but its and increase from \$50 to \$500.

Chairman Fiske said the bottom line is an increase of 2%. He said that doesn't include any cost of living increases.

Selectman Miller reviewed the estimated revenues for 2019 — 2020.

Land Use Tax Int & Costs — \$10,000  
 Yield Tax — \$20,000  
 Payment in Lieu of Taxes — \$90,000.  
 Selectman Miller explained that this includes ESMI and the Richard Brown House.

Excavation Tax — \$5,000  
 Int. & Penalties on delinquent taxes — \$151,200

Land Use Interest — \$200  
 Yield Tax Interest — \$400  
 Gravel Exc. Tax Interest — \$400  
 COBRA — \$500  
 Business Licenses & Permits — \$1,000  
 Motor Vehicle Permits — \$950,000  
 Building Permits — \$10,000  
 Other licenses, permits and fees — \$6,600  
 Impact fee revenue — \$0  
 Rooms & Meals taxes — \$285,203  
 Highway Block grant — \$181,236  
 Reimb. Forest Land — \$500  
 Reimb. Forest Fire — \$500  
 Income from Departments — \$20,400

Landfill — Septage — \$81,100  
 Other charges — \$550,500  
 Sale of Town Property — \$6,400  
 Int. on Dep. — Treasurer — \$10,000  
 Fines & Violations — \$700  
 Insurance Damage Reimb. — \$20,100  
 Other — \$2,800  
 Selectmen Prescott read the warrant articles.

Article 03 — To purchase an ambulance and equipment

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$279,000 for the purchase of an ambulance and equipment, with said funds to be withdrawn from the Ambulance/Rescue Equipment Capital Reserve Fund. Further, to name the Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required)

Article 04 — To purchase a 10-wheeler  
 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$198,500 for the purchase of a 10 — wheel dump truck with plows and sanders, with \$182,000 to be withdrawn from the Highway Department Capital Reserve Fund. Further, to name the Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. The balance of \$16,500 to be raised by taxes. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required) Mr. See asked if this will be a new truck. Selectman Prescott said it will be. He said they discussed that but it was the thought they should go new. Chairman Fiske said going back on the parts and repairs there is a substantial cost; the trucks they have are old. Selectman Miller said it is the issue of getting something new with a warranty or getting something old and hoping it lasts for 10 years.

Article 05 — For reclaiming and paving Ricker Road

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$264,398 for the purpose of reclaiming and paving Ricker Road and authorize the withdrawal of \$127,000 from the Roadway Improvement Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. Further, to name the Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. The balance of \$137,398 to be raised by taxes. (SB 38 funds of \$75,000 received in 2017 will complete the \$339,398 project.) The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required)

Article 06 — To purchase a Police Cruiser  
 To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$38,795 for the purpose of purchasing a police cruiser with equipment, with \$18,000 to be withdrawn from the Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. Further, to name the Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. The balance of \$20,795 to be raised by taxes. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required)

Article 07 — For Police Dept computer upgrades

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$18,108 for upgrades to the current police department computer system and upgrades towards (CJIS) criminal justice information system in becoming compliant, with funds to be raised from general taxation. Further, to name the Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required)

Article 08 — To install energy — efficient lighting in town buildings

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$21,154 for the purpose of installing energy — efficient lighting in the Transfer Station, Highway Garage, Police Station, Fire Station — Cooper Street, Fire Station — Clough Hill Road and authorize the withdrawal of \$21,154 from the Alternative Energy Capital Reserve Fund created for that purpose. Further, to name the Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. The balance of \$21,154 to be paid by Eversource to complete the \$42,308 project. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required)

Article 09 — To raise and appropriate for established CRF

To see if the town of Loudon will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$482,500 to be placed in previously established Capital Reserve Funds.

Fire Department Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund \$75,000

Highway Department Capital Reserve Fund \$50,000

Bridge Capital Reserve Fund \$40,000

Recreation Facility Maintenance Trust Capital Reserve Fund \$2,000

Library Collection Maintenance Capital Reserve Fund \$5,000

Roadway Improvements Capital Reserve Fund \$125,000

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

Ambulance/Rescue Equipment Capital Reserve Fund \$63,000

Loudon Conservation Land Capital Reserve Fund \$30,000

Self Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) \$30,000

Town History Capital Reserve Fund \$10,000

Alternative Energy Capital Reserve Fund \$30,000

Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund \$20,000

The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required)

Article 10 — To raise and appropriate for established ETF.

To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$60,000 to be placed in previously established Expendable Trust Funds.

Transfer Station Maintenance Expendable Trust Fund \$20,000

Septage Lagoon Expendable Trust Fund \$10,000

Highway Equipment Expendable Trust Fund \$30,000

The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required)

Article 11 — For general municipal operations.

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$4,612,246 for general municipal operations. This article does not include appropriations contained in special or individual articles addressed separately." (Majority vote required)

Article 12 — To transact any other business

To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 6th day of February in the year of our Lord two thousand nineteen.

Mr. See noticed that some of the articles don't say majority vote required and wondered if they need to. It will be checked into. Mr. Maxfield said the historical society had submitted a warrant article to the Selectmen. Chairman Fiske said he thought it was going to be revised. Mr. Maxfield said it was all set. Chairman Fiske said it will be added to the warrant. The Board has scheduled budget hearings for Wednesday, January 30, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. and Wednesday, February 6, 2019 at 6:30 at the town office meeting room. Mr. Blanchette asked how much is in the highway department capital reserve fund. Selectman Miller said \$182,545. Mr. Blanchette questioned whether putting \$50,000 into that fund in enough. He said with trucks breaking down and not up to date with the CIP it would make sense to save more. Mr. Blanchette suggested as a tax payer it would be worthwhile saving more for the next few years until they get caught up. He asked that the road agent and selectmen consider increasing that number to \$75,000-\$85,000 before the next budget hearing. Selectman Miller said they did discuss it and it is a good thing to think about. Selectman Prescott said it's going to come one way or another and there is no question the highway department needs some help. Mr. Blanchette said they also need to be looking into what new developments are costing the town when roads are taken over. Selectman Miller agreed that quite a few years were skipped in replacing equipment and probably a lot of missed maintenance. Mr. See asked if any petitioned warrant articles have been submitted. Chairman Fiske said no. Mr. Blanchette said the Board has done a good job on the budget; a 2% increase is pretty good. He thanked the Board. Chairman Fiske said the next budget hearing will be Wednesday, January 30, 2019 at 6:30 at this location.

*Selectman Prescott made a motion to authorize Chairman Fiske to sign the 4th quarter 941 on behalf of the town. Seconded by Selectman Miller seconded the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.*

The Board signed the septage hauler application for Best Septic.

Chairman Fiske explained that as mentioned earlier they are still discussing COLA's for employees. He said Selectman Prescott has come up with a proposal for bonuses. Selectman Prescott explained that he looked at how many full-time employees there are (27), how many permanent part-time employees (4) there are and how many part-time (49) employees there are. He said instead of giving 1%-3% cost of living raises as the employees have received for the last nine or ten years. He said the town has job descriptions but no wage scales to go with them, he is a strong believer that each position should have a good job description and a wage scale and if you are doing your job you get an increment raise each year, if your supervisors doesn't think your doing a good job you might not get one so it could take you ten years to get to the top of your scale. Selectman Prescott explained that if you're doing a good job you might get the increment and the incentive raise. He said that doesn't exist here and should. Selectman Prescott said the employees get good insurance.

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ance and they don't pay a lot for it. He explained that he figured \$1,000 per full-time employee, permanent part-time would get \$500 and part-time would get \$250. Selectman Prescott said the total cost would be \$41,000 but would end there; if you give a 2% raise it goes on forever. Jeff Leonard asked what initially brought this up. Selectman Miller said they have been talking about what the COLA (cost of living adjustment) should be. He said they have also been talking about increment raises. Mr. Leonard asked where the bonus idea came from. Selectman Miller explained that Selectman Prescott came up with this as a one-time payment, as a bonus to the employee. He explained that it would either the bonus or the COLA not both. Selectman Prescott explained that this is for this year only, next year they might do it, they might give COLA's or they might give incentive raises. Selectman Prescott said that he is not a believer in the fact that just because you work here you should get a 3% raise. Roger Maxfield said it sounds more equitable. Selectman Miller explained that if you give a straight percentage there is a disparity because the person

that make less per hour receives less than the person that makes more money per hour. Selectman Miller said this town has one of the best benefit plans around. Mr. Blanchette said the formula that Selectman Prescott presented is pretty common in the private sector; there are not a lot of raises. Chairman Fiske said he is in favor of COLA's. He said you're talking about increases in food, gas, heat, taxes. Mr. Leonard asked if that means give everyone across the board the same. Chairman Fiske said yes; even if you go 1%. He said this warrants more investigation. Mr. Leonard said the employees shouldn't get it every year; they should be evaluated for a raise. Diane Miller asked if the COLA is above and beyond the regular raise. Selectman Miller said yes there is the COLA and there is a merit raise. Selectman Prescott said when you get a raise it increases for overtime as well so it keeps mounting up. He said he put forth what he thinks is in the best interest of the town; he thinks it is fair and equitable.

Chairman Fiske said they will discuss the building permit fee structure. Selectman Miller explained that the Planning Board decided that the administration of impact fees has gotten to the point where it doesn't make

sense so they decided to put a warrant article forward for town meeting to vote to rescind the impact fees. Selectman Miller said a few other communities have changed their building permit fees and that's what they are looking to do. He said they are looking at what nearby communities like Gilmanton and Canterbury have for permitting fees. Selectman Miller said they need to get the fee's figured out so they can be assessed if the impact fees do get rescinded in March. Jeff Leonard said they need to start charging for electrical, plumbing and mechanical permits; every other town charges for those. Chairman Fiske said it should be short and simple like \$500 for the permit plus \$.10 per square foot. Selectman Prescott said he is in favor of replacing impact fees with revised building permit fees.

Selectman Miller said the maximum sick time accrual is 720 hours. He said the policy now says when an employee resigns, they get paid out 10% of those hours and at retirement they get paid out 50% of the accrued hours. He said in his opinion that is a large burden on the town and shouldn't be part of a retirement package. Selectman Prescott agreed; he said sick leave is a benefit while you are working not an entitlement when you retire. Selectman

Miller explained that they started to review the sick policy because it came to their attention that the policy doesn't allow for an employee to use sick time to take care of a dependent; they wanted to change that. He said in reviewing this policy they found this payout. Chairman Fiske said they will table this until next week.

Selectman Prescott said he and Selectman Miller went to a meeting at Merrimack Valley School District with the selectmen from other towns and one thing they asked was to say thank you to the road agent. He explained that they said thank you for your input at 4 o'clock in the morning before they run the school buses, they said it's very important and they appreciate it.

*Selectman Prescott moved to adjourn at 8:25 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.*

**LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

*Robert N. Fiske, Chairman*

*Jeffrey C. Miller, Selectman*

*Stanley Prescott II, Selectman*

**Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — January 22, 2019****Present:**

Chairman Fiske, Selectman Miller and Selectman Prescott.

**Also present:**

Road Agent Russ Pearl

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

*Selectman Miller moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, January 15, 2019 as written. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. All in favor. Motion carried.*

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received a response from Primex regarding Sandy Blanchard's request that the town plow the parking lot at the end of the trail. Selectman Miller said the parking lot is located on private property on Youngs Hill Road. He explained that the question was sent to Primex, the insurance carrier for the town. Selectman Miller explained that the recommendation from them was that the town not plow for several reasons including setting a precedent, liability for slips and fall, concerns with accidents, and it being private property. *Selectman Miller said with that recommendation he made a motion that they do not plow the parking lot for the Conservation Commission. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. All in favor. Motion carried.*

The Board received an email from R. Lunn regarding the logging on Clearview Drive. Chairman Fiske read the following: *As stated above this is a follow up to my email of December 4, 2018 to your office concerning logging trucks on Clearview Drive. It was noted that there are early starts to the trucks transversing Clearview Dr., well, one today — Jan 17 woke us up at 4:15 this morning! Unacceptable. I have noticed on the upper*

*portion of Piper Hill Rd road opening up with pot holes. Once again, as noted in my previous email there is major concern over road damage, who is responsible? Just last week with a small snow event, Piper Hill and Clearview were in need of plowing, as I attempted to get out of my driveway a large truck was at the top of Clearview making very difficult to pass, with another truck half way down on the side of Piper Hill stopped. If one of these vehicles were to go off the road in these conditions, how would emergency vehicles get up to service properly? Very Dangerous. Have any one of you been here at our locations to assess this situation? This has been a total disregard to the entire neighborhood and has been going on for well over two months. This has to stop now!* Chairman Fiske said he spoke to the Police Department and asked them to be in the area between 4:00 a.m. and 5:00 a.m. Selectman Miller said he and Selectman Prescott have been up in that area and checked for damage to the roadway and circle. He said he's only seen normal damage. Chairman Fiske asked the road agent what he thinks. Mr. Pearl said he hasn't seen any big problems. Selectman Miller said the loggers are staying off the circle where they were asked to.

House Bill 517-FN-LOCAL regarding repealing municipal permits for registration of vehicles.

The Board received a copy of a contract for the person that will be writing the town history if the warrant article is passed at town meeting.

The Board received an email from NHMS forwarded by Alisha Grimaldi regarding the 2nd annual Speedway Cares Day. The speedway is looking for a project to do in town.

The Board received the Maxfield Library December 3rd meeting minutes.

The Board received the Agriculture Commission November 1st meeting minutes.

The Board received a thank you letter from a scholarship recipient.

The Board received a report from the Planning Board regarding impact fees.

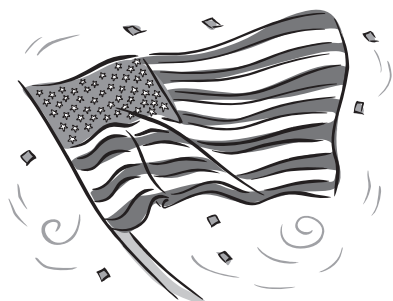
The Board reviewed photo submissions for the front of the annual report.

Selectman Prescott made a motion to appoint Jaimie Garneau as the deputy town clerk with appointment to expire March 31, 2020, effective January 22, 2019. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board met with Eric Jones and Brandon Tucher. Mr. Tucher explained that he and Mr. Jones are involved in a 55 and older development in Chichester on the Chichester/Loudon line on Trap Road. Mr. Tucher explained that they have access to the development from Route 4 but they are trying to get better safer access. He said Mr. Jones owns an adjacent piece of property that has access to Trap road; they would like to use that property for the development to access Trap Road to avoid the Route 4 intersection. Mr. Jones said Trap Road is a class 6 road in Loudon; they would like to upgrade the road to a class 5 road. He explained that he spoke to the Loudon Fire Chief and explained that the development will have a fire pond which will make it easier for Loudon to access water in that part of town. Chairman Fiske asked how much of Trap Road will be upgraded. Mr. Tucher said around 500' and they would be willing to pay for the upgrades. Selectman Miller said they need to look at impact because the road will have a lot more traffic. He asked how many houses in the develop-

ment. Mr. Tucher said 17. Selectman Miller said they will come off Trap Road onto Ricker Road which the town is looking to spend a lot of money on this year with reclamation and repaving. He said they have to consider the maintenance to the road for a development in another town. Chairman Fiske said there are some pluses to it being a 55 and older community. Selectman Prescott said there are minuses as well because as you start getting older there are more fire calls; medical emergencies. Selectman Prescott asked why they can't use Route 4. Mr. Tucher said they can; they have the approvals. He said they are trying to make it safer for the residents of the development. Chairman Fiske confirmed that all 17 houses will be in Chichester. Selectman Miller confirmed that the Chichester end of Trap Road is town maintained. Selectman Prescott asked what Loudon will get other than access to the fire pond. Mr. Tucher said they are putting in a solar field. Tommy Blanchette asked if a price has been put to the cost of maintaining a foot of road. Selectman Prescott said the last time it was checked it was \$7,800 per mile. Mr. Blanchette said it sounds like the tax revenue will be going to another town and we will be inheriting a stretch of road with no tax revenue so their will be a cost to the residents of Loudon. Mr. Tucher said the development will be a condo association; he asked if they could write into the agreement that some of the association fees would go to the Town of Loudon for maintenance of the road. He explained that they understand the burden and will do what they can to alleviate it. Alisha Kingsbury mentioned that in the past year there was quite a bit of traffic on Trap road that was not favorable. She said maybe if the road was maintained

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## Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — January 30, 2019

### Present:

Chairman Fiske, Selectman Miller and Selectman Prescott.

### Also present:

Police Chief Kris Burgess, Road Agent Russ Pearl and Fire Chief Rick Wright

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

Selectman Miller moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, January 22, 2019 as written. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board met with Police Officer Kris Burgess.

Chief Burgess submitted an appointment paper for Juan Posada. Chief Burgess explained that they received the resignation letter from Officer Hebert so now Officer Posada can start part-time. Selectman Miller made a motion to accept Officer Posada as a part-time patrolman, he explained that Officer Posada left fulltime status and asked to be

kept on part-time. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. All in favor. Motion carried.

Chief Burgess said he met with Susan Clausen from DOT, she is interested in taking over the cameras; she checking to see if they meet the criteria. Chief Burgess said he has learned through the Traffic Management Center that there are websites specifically for First Responders that have cameras throughout the state, free of charge. He said they could access them during NASCAR events. Selectman Miller said they are more concerned with the cost of the cameras than access. Chairman Fiske asked about the cameras at the track. Chief Burgess said the state wants nothing to do with them. Selectman Prescott asked Chief Wright as the Emergency Management Director how he feels. He said he agrees with it.

Chief Burgess said there was a question about the logging trucks on Clearview Drive. Chairman Fiske said they received a complaint about them starting at 4am. Chief Burgess said he had an officer stationed there from 4 a.m. until 5:30 a.m. and they do have a logging truck running during that timeframe. Selectman Miller said starting at 4 a.m. is absurd. Selectman Prescott said other construction things are 6 a.m.-6 p.m. Chief Burgess said he will have his officers speak to them directly about a start time. Chairman Fiske said he'd like Chief Burgess to speak to Mr. Lunn and then tell the logger that he shouldn't be starting before 6 a.m. Mr. Pearl said they are about done, they moved the chipper out.

Chief Burgess said Officer Battye still has New Years Day on the books, she will be using it February 3rd and not getting it paid out if that is okay with the Board. Selectman Miller said this is just over the thirty days so he is okay with it.

Chief Burgess said the candidate they have to replace Officer Posada has competed everything from PT test to orals boards, polygraph, psychological exam and medical is being completed. He said he will bring his appointment paper in February 12th. Chief Burgess said if any of the Board would like to review his packet between now and then to let him know and he will make it available. He explained that he would like the new hire to start mid-March. Selectman Miller asked about the academy. Chief Burgess said May, so he will have about 12 weeks of FTO training before the academy.

Chief Burgess said he had submitted an FTO program, he asked if it has been reviewed. Selectman Miller said it's a good template but it needs to be reduced to fit this town. Chief Burgess said he'd like to sit down with them to discuss it. Selectman Miller volunteered to meet with him and discuss it.

Selectman Miller moved to go into non-public session per RSA 91-A: 3, II (c) at 6:12 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Prescott. Roll call vote: Fiske — yes; Miller — yes; Prescott — yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Miller moved to come out of non-public session at 6:22 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Prescott. Roll call vote: Fiske — yes; Miller — yes; Prescott — yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

Selectman Prescott made a motion to seal the minutes for five years. Seconded by Selectman Miller. Roll call vote: Fiske — yes; Miller — yes; Prescott — yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Miller said this meeting was for an employee discussion.

Chairman Fiske explained that Fire Chief Rick Wright submitted a resignation letter. He said he sorry they are losing such a good guy. Chairman Fiske read the following: *I have decided to resign from all fulltime positions that I currently hold with the Town of Loudon (Fire Chief, Forest Fire Warden, Emergency Management Director, Code/Compliance Officer, Building Inspector and Health Officer). My final day as a fulltime employee will be February 28, 2019. The Town of Loudon personnel policies manual requests at least a 2 week notice however this notice is for one month. I make the offer to help with the transition with the next hire for these positions as smooth as possible before or after February 28. Although the last year has been extremely challenging overall, the nearly 6 years as Fire Chief have been a very positive experience for me and I have enjoyed working with other Town employees.* Chairman Fiske said he will be sorry to see Chief Wright leave. Selectmen Miller and Prescott agreed. Selectman Miller said he has been a huge asset to the fire department and the community. He said he's done more than asked to do and it's going to be hard to find someone to fill his shoes. Selectman Prescott said he agrees wholeheartedly and thanked him.

The Board met with Fire Chief Rick Wright.

Chief Wright said he did the quarterly inspection at Jack Shaver's. He said there are not significant changes, everything remains status quo.

Chief Wright explained that ambulance billing is done through the end of December as well as some of January. He said they are getting payments and reconciling those with the town treasurer. Chief Wright thanked Eric Perry and Ashley Simonds for their hard work getting this thing straightened out; he said they've done a good job.

Chief Wright said the upgrades at Station 2 have started. He said Jeff Leonard has started. Chief Wright said a large amount has been spent on the deposit for the new generator. Chairman Fiske asked if there is a generator there now. Chief Wright said there is. Chairman Fiske asked if it can be used at the town office. Chief Wright said he thought so but suggested the question be asked of Harry O' Electrical directly. Mr. Pearl said Gary at Harry O' told him it couldn't be used here.

Chief Wright suggested that he and Deputy Lake meet with the Board next week to discuss the future of the fire department in moving forward. Chairman Fiske asked Chief Wright if they can conduct an exit interview at the same time. Chief Wright said that is fine.

Roger Maxfield said that on behalf of the citizens he would like to thank Chief Wright for his service, dedication and hard work for the Town of Loudon.

Chairman Fiske opened the public hearing for the budget and warrant articles at 6:30pm.

Chairman Fiske explained that the only change to the budget since the last hearing was to reduce the swim lesson wages from \$5,000 to \$4,000.

Selectman Miller explained that there were no changes to the revenues.

Selectman Prescott said two articles were added to the warrant since the last hearing. He read the following:

Article 09 — *To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$9,000 for the purpose of contracting with an author who will research Loudon's historical information and begin the process of writing chapters that will be included in the official Town of Loudon History Book, with said funds to come from the Town History Capital Reserve Fund. This special warrant article will be a nonlapsing appropriation per RSA 32:7, VI and will not lapse until the contract is completed or by June 30, 2020, whichever is sooner. The Selectmen recommend this appropriation. (Majority vote required).*

Article 10 — *To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of Chapter 79-E, Community Revitalization Tax Relief Incentive, which allows an owner of a qualifying structure within the Loudon Village area that intends to substantially rehabilitate or replace such structure, to apply to the governing body of the municipality in which the property is located for tax relief. If approved, the property tax on a qualifying structure which has been substantially upgraded and improved at the owners expense will not increase as a result of the substantial rehabilitation for a period up to five years, beginning with the completion of the substantial rehabilitation. The Selectmen recommend this article.*

Chairman Fiske asked if there were questions. Roger Maxfield asked how much is in the capital reserve fund for the town history. Selectman Miller said there is \$30,260. Mr. Maxfield asked if they will be adding another \$10,000 this year. Selectman Miller said that is correct. Chairman Fiske closed the public hearing at 6:35 p.m. and went back to the regular meeting.

The Board met with Road Agent Russ Pearl.

Mr. Pearl asked the Board if they would like to review the list he gave them. He explained that he would like them to consider the list before the budget deadline. Selectman Miller said he doesn't see them doing some of the items without burdening the tax payer this year. He explained that the budget is up 2% already without the other warrants that could pass. Selectman Miller agrees especially with the one-ton and increasing the capital reserve fund. Mr. Pearl said with the capital reserve fund set at \$50,000 they will never save enough for new trucks. Selectman Prescott asked Mr. Pearl if he is in the position to defend the increase. Mr. Pearl said he has repair bills that will defend the need for new truck. Selectman Prescott said the taxpayers won't be happy with the tax increase but they

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and kept up the traffic would be different and that problem might better. Selectman Prescott asked for the road agent's opinion. Mr. Pearl suggested that it would be better if Chichester plowed to Ricker Road instead of turning around on Trap Road. Chairman Fiske said with Chichester getting 17 houses they might be willing to do that. Selectman Prescott suggested that Mr. Tucher talk to the Town of Chichester about that. Mr. Pearl said Loudon will have enough impact on Ricker Road. Chairman Fiske asked when the project will be starting. Mr. Tucher said hopefully this summer, they have all approvals. Chairman Fiske said he would go along with the road agent in saying that since Chichester plows the majority of the road, they could do the remainder; that would be most helpful. Selectman Prescott said he would like to see Chichester plow the road and the condo association pay something in lieu of taxes to Loudon for maintenance of the road. Mr. Tucher said they will go back to the Town of Chichester and discuss it with them.

The Board reviewed timesheets and bills.

The Board discussed impact fees and building permit fees. Selectman Prescott will do more research on building permit fees.

Chairman Fiske recognized Polly Touzin from the audience. Ms. Touzin said it's easy to complain but she wanted to come in and say something positive. She said the road crew is doing a good job on Berry Road. She explained that the road is pushed back so two cars can pass safely and its sanded nicely.

Selectman Prescott moved to adjourn at 7:45 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.

### LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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*Selectmen — cont. from 29*

also won't be happy if their roads aren't taken care of so at some point, they are going to have to bite the bullet, he said it might be well to step up to the plate. Tommy Blanchette said he suggested last week that this be increased; as a resident he agrees that it should be. Mr. Blanchette said they're going to pay now or they're going to pay later. Selectman Miller said these trucks should have been replaced a while ago. Mr. Blanchette said with a new road agent and the economy not being bad this year and probably not next year with it being an election year the town might be in a better position to do something now. He said he supports Mr. Pearl wholeheartedly and his actions and will defend it at town meeting. Selectman Prescott said he thinks there is enough evidence too. Selectman Miller asked if they have been renting a screener right along. Mr. Pearl said they do rent one for a month but every storm they are dealing with frost which affects the sanders. Mr. Pearl said they have the gravel pit so they would use it year around and save money on material. Selectman Miller said they need to prioritize the list and this looks like something they can put off. Selectman Miller said they had discussed starting a capital reserve fund for the town garage. Chairman Fiske said they did discuss starting it with \$20,000. Chairman Fiske said they will take the list under advisement. Selectman Prescott said yes but they need to consider some of these issues.

Mr. Pearl said Mike would like to use New Year's Day on Friday. The Board is okay with that.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received an email from Skip Sansoucy's office regarding a settlement proposal. He said he will be available for a conference call. A time will be set with Mr. Sansoucy and the Board.

The Board received an updated February Police department schedule.

The Board received a memo from the Road Agent regarding department needs.

The Board received an email from the Cate Van Committee regarding repairs to the van.

The Board received a letter from the NH Lottery regarding Keno.

The Board received a letter from OED Granite Apollo regarding solar energy. The information will be forwarded to the Alternative Energy Committee.

The Board received more pictures for the Town Report cover; today at 4 p.m. was the deadline for submittals.

The Board received a notice of regional impact from the Town of Gilmanton regarding a 140' monopole.

The Board received information from Howard Moffett regarding HB 700. Chairman Fiske explained that Mr. Moffett will be in to speak to the Board about this next Tuesday at 6 p.m.

The Board reviewed bills and timesheets.

*Selectman Prescott moved to adjourn at 7:15 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.*

**LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

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

**Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — February 5, 2019****Present:**

Chairman Fiske, Selectman Miller and Selectman Prescott.

**Also present:**

Road Agent Russ Pearl, Fire Chief Rick Wright and Deputy Fire Chief Bill Lake

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

*Selectman Miller moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Wednesday, January 30, 2019 as written. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. All in favor. Motion carried.*

*Selectman Miller moved to go into non-public session with Tax Collector Helen McNeil per RSA 91-A: 3, II (b) at 6:01 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Prescott. Roll call vote: Fiske — yes; Miller — yes; Prescott — yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Miller moved to come out of non-public session at 6:07 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Prescott. Roll call vote: Fiske — yes; Miller — yes; Prescott — yes. All in favor. Motion carried. All in favor. Motion carried.*

Chairman Fiske recognized State Representative Howard Moffett from the audience.

Mr. Moffett explained that they have a final bill that deals with the question of the valuation of utility property. He explained that there have been five different ways of assessing utility properties so assessors for the towns were dealing with different ways of assessing. Mr. Moffett said they had a bill in the last term; HB 324 that established a study commission to look at the issue and make a recommendation to legislature. He explained that he was on the commission, they met about 10 times in the fall and the result was HB 700. Mr. Moffett said this bill will be heard for the first time at a public hearing on Thursday at 11am at the legislative office building, room 202. He explained that this will be a public meeting, anyone is welcome to attend, offer testimony or ask questions about the bill. Mr. Moffett said this is a bipartisan bill that deals with electric, gas and water. He explained that the bill calls for all towns to use the same formula for assessing utilities. Mr. Moffett explained that the formula is; 70% of the assessment is based on original cost, 30% is the current net book value and there is a 3% adder which is a substitute for various rights and land that utilities have, either that they own outright, they have a license to use or they have an easement. Selectman Prescott asked how this affects lawsuits that are in process. Mr. Moffett said this won't; he explained that those lawsuits will continue there is language in the bill that says this bill doesn't affect pending litigation. Mr. Moffett gave the Board spreadsheets for electric and gas that explain how this bill will be phased in over five years. The Board thanked Mr. Moffett for coming in and keeping them informed.

*Selectman Miller moved to go into non-public session with Fire Chief Rick Wright and Deputy Chief Bill Lake per RSA 91-A: 3, II (c) at 6:50 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Prescott. Roll call vote: Fiske — yes; Miller — yes; Prescott — yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Miller moved to come out of non-public session at 8:22 p.m.; seconded by*

*Selectman Prescott. Roll call vote: Fiske — yes; Miller — yes; Prescott — yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Miller made a motion to seal the minutes for five years. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. Roll call vote: Fiske — yes; Miller — yes; Prescott — yes. All in favor. Motion carried.*

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received a request from a resident regarding property tax interest and penalties. The Board will not waive the interest and penalties.

The Board received a memo from Chief Burgess included with the memo was the business license for NHMS.

The Board received an email regarding a change to the Police Department schedule.

The Board received a letter from Upton & Hatfield regarding the Muzzey property.

The Board received a Keno Petition to be added to the warrant for town meeting.

Selectman Miller asked if the other Board members want to discuss sick time issues. He

suggested that they change the policy to say that if you resign you don't get a payout, if you retire per the personnel policy you do get the payout. Selectman Prescott said he would like to see what other towns are doing. Selectman Miller explained that this first came up regarding dependents, the policy doesn't currently allow for an employee to take time off for a sick dependent and they want to change that. He said at the same time they should review the rest of the sick time policy and make any changes all at once. Selectman Prescott said he would like to look at the entire sick policy and make all changes at the same time.

The Board reviewed bills and timesheets.

*Selectman Miller moved to adjourn at 8:55 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Prescott. All in favor. Motion carried.*

**LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

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

**Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — February 6, 2019****Present:**

Chairman Fiske, Selectman Miller and Selectman Prescott.

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

Chairman Fiske said this will be the last budget meeting.

Selectman Prescott read the following articles that have been added since the last public hearing.

Article 10 — To purchase a HD 4X4 Pickup

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$50,000 for the purpose of purchasing a HD 4x4 pickup for plowing and sanding municipal parking lots. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required)

Article 11 — To purchase a sand screener

To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25,000 for the purpose of purchasing a sand screener. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority vote required)

Article 13 — To establish a Town Garage CRF

To see if the town will vote to establish a Town Garage Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$20,000 to be placed in this fund. Further, to name the Selectmen as agents to expend from said fund. The Selectmen recommend this article. (Majority Vote Required)

Selectman Prescott explained that Article 14 is to raise and appropriate for established

CRF. He said the changes are: Fire Department Apparatus Capital Reserve Fund from \$100,000 to \$75,000, Highway Department Capital Reserve Fund from \$50,000 to \$100,000, Police Cruiser Capital Reserve Fund increased from \$18,000 to \$20,000.

Selectman Prescott explained that Article 15 is to raise and appropriate for established ETF. He said the only change is to the Highway Equipment Expendable Trust Fund it is increased from \$30,000 to \$50,000.

Selectman Prescott explained that Article 18 is a petitioned warrant that reads: Shall we allow the operation of keno games within the town or city. Chairman Fiske said this will be taken up at town meeting with a secret ballot vote.

Selectman Miller said the revenues have not changed since the last public hearings.

Chairman Fiske said they agreed to a 1% cost of living adjustment for the employees and those changes show in the budget salary lines.

Jim O'Neil said he thinks saving for the capital reserve funds is a great idea and asked if the balances will be available at town meeting. Chairman Fiske said they will be in the town report.

*Selectman Prescott moved to adjourn at 6:15 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.*

**LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

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

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## Planning Board Meeting Minutes — January 17, 2018

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Chairman Tom Moore

### Attendance:

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

Julie Robinson from the Conservation Commission was present.

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

**Impact Fee Public Hearing** — Chairman Moore said they need to update the Impact Fee numbers. Chairman Moore said he and Selectmen Prescott calculated the new fee to be \$589.27. Chairman Moore also reminded the Board this will be on the ballot at Town meeting to abolish this fee, but it could be defeated. Chairman Moore said the Board could also set the fee at \$0. Mr. Bowles said the goal is \$0 so why would they lower it to then have it at \$0, could they have it \$0 effective March 1st. Chairman Moore said they need to act on this now. Chairman Moore said anyone that has impact fees in limbo would have to ask for a waiver on the fee. Mr. Miller said the Select board is determining a new fee for the building permits to take place of the impact fee. Mr. Bowles said they should wait until March meeting to change any numbers while the Selectmen work on the new building permit fees. *Mr. Bowles made a motion to table the impact fees until the March 21st meeting; seconded by Mr. Cole. All in favor; Tabled.*

### Acceptance of Minutes:

**December 20, 2018 Regular Meeting** — *Mr. Cole made a motion to approve the minutes as written; seconded by Mr. Huntington. All in favor; Approved.*

### Discussion:

None

### Old Business:

None

### New Business:

**Application #19-01 Michael Milligan — Lot Line Adjustment, Map 38 Lot 2 & 6, R/R District.** Surveyor Jeff Green presented the application. Mr. Green explained these two properties are both owned by Mr. Milligan, 63.7 acres and 14.12 acres. Mr. Green said lot 2 had to maintain 3 acres and 250 feet of road frontage because it has a duplex on it. Mr. Green presented a waiver to not survey the back of the property. Mr. Green said lot 2 isn't completely squared off due to a current driveway on lot 6 and wet lands on lot 2. Mr. Green said the rear of the property on lot 2 will have the wetlands. After the lot line adjustment Lot 6 will have 74.804 acres and lot 2 will have 3.006 acres. Mr. Green said he will be setting

the monuments and have shown where they will be. Mr. Green said boundary line agreements have been added as a note as well as wetland certification and buildable area. Chairman Moore questioned showing the wetland setbacks. Mr. Green said he can add that. Mrs. Tuson said the legend shows several types of fences, but none are shown on the map. Mr. Green said he will remove all three fences from the legend. Mr. Bowles said this lot is venturing into jerry mandering and would like it cleaned up by being a squared lot. Mr. Green said that the back of lot 2 is wet so they aren't losing buildable space and by doing this they are saving the existing driveway on lot 6. Chairman Moore questioned relocating the driveway. Mr. Milligan said there really isn't anyway to relocate with the lay of the land without having a huge cost. Mr. Huntington said he understands why they have done it this way and can accept it like this. Mr. Cole said understanding the lay of the land he felt the same. *Mr. Huntington made a motion to accept the application as complete; seconded by Mr. Cole. All in favor; Accepted.* Chairman Moore said since the waiver was added tonight the application needs to be updated to reflect this. *Mr. Cole made a motion to approve the waiver for Item 8 survey property lines; seconded by Mr. Storrs. All in favor; Approved.* *Mr. Huntington made a motion to approve the application with the conditions: the application be updated, remove fences from the legend and include wetland setbacks; seconded by Mr. Storrs. All in favor; Approved.*

**Report of the Board of Permit:**  
None

### Board Discussion:

Mrs. Bosco brought up the Best Septic Application from back in 2016. Mrs. Bosco said the applicant is unsure where to go next, back in 2016 they were told they needed a Change of Use but the Site Plan approval should cover this. The Board determined they would need a Special Exception from Zoning Board. Mr. Huntington said it would be wise to have the DES approval before going to Zoning. Mrs. Bosco will let them know the next steps that need to be taken.

### Report of ZBA:

Mrs. Bosco said there will be no January Meeting.

### Adjournment:

*Mr. Huntington made a motion to adjourn at 8:11 p.m.; seconded by Mr. Bowles. All were in favor.*

*Submitted by,  
Danielle Bosco  
Administrative Assistant*

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

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## March in Loudon

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### 1st Monday of the month

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

### 1st Tuesday of the month

7pm•Lions Club @ Library

### 1st Wednesday of the month

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

### 1st Thursday of the month

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

### 2nd Monday of the month

7:15pm•MVSD School Board

### 2nd Thursday of the month

6:30pm•Lion Pack @ Library

### 2nd Saturday of the month

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

### 3rd Tuesday of the month

7pm•Lions Club @ Library

### 3rd Wednesday of the month

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

### 3rd Thursday of the month

7pm•Planning Board @ Town Office

### 3rd Sunday of the month

9:30am•Loudon Congregational Church  
Healing Prayer Time

### 4th Monday of the month

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

### 4th Tuesday of the month

4pm•Trails Sub-committee @ CB

### 4th Wednesday of the month

6:30pm•Recreation Committee @ Library

### 4th Thursday of the month

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

### Every Monday

3pm•Movies @ Library

### Every Tuesday

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

### Every Wednesday

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

### Every Thursday

10:30am•Story Time @ Library

### EVENTS ON SPECIFIC DATES

**March 2•9–1•Skin Cancer Facial Screening**  
@ Library

### March 6•ASH WEDNESDAY

5–6:30•Free Community Dinner  
@ Faith Community Bible Church.  
Every Wednesday through March.  
Grade 3–5 Field Trip to CCA

**March 7•MVSD Annual Meeting @ 7pm**  
@ MVHS. Polls open 11am–7pm

**March 9•8am•Pinewood Derby @ LES**

**March 10•DAY LIGHT SAVINGS BEGINS —  
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**March 11•Beginning today through 4/18,**  
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1:30–2:30 Walk With Ease @  
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**March 13•9–Noon•VNA Health Clinic @**  
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**March 14•5:30pm•PTA @ LES**

**March 15•DEADLINE FOR APRIL ISSUE OF  
THE LOUDON LEDGER**

**March 17•ST. PATRICK'S DAY**

**March 18•6pm•COMMUNICATIONS  
COUNCIL MTG. @ Com. Bldg.**

**March 20•FIRST DAY OF SPRING**  
2:30pm•Living With Stroke @  
Richard Brown House

**March 21•Second Trimester Report Cards  
Issued**  
2pm•Daytime Book Group @  
Library  
5–7pm•Wine Glass Decorating  
@ Library

**March 22•NO SCHOOL — TEACHERS WORK-  
SHOP DAY**

**March 23–24•MAPLE WEEKEND — VISIT  
LOUDON SAP HOUSES**

**March 28•6:30pm•Evening Book Group @**  
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6:30pm•Incoming Kindergarten  
Info Night @ LES

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