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Ledgeview Greenhouses Opens This Spring With New Owners

This past winter, while most folks were hibernating from the cold, and shoveling the mountains of snow we got in February, things were firing up on Clough Hill Road at Ledgeview Greenhouses. After twenty-plus years of hard work, dedication, and producing some of the most beautiful plants around, Ron and Cindy Dubuc sold the business to Carolyn and Johnny Carr.

The Carrs both have a background in the horticulture field with degrees from the University of New Hampshire. Johnny has owned and operated J.M. Carr Landscaping for the past ten years out of Canterbury and will continue to grow and partner with Ledgeview Greenhouses to offer garden design and installation to customers.



Carolyn has worked in the horticulture field her whole life starting with growing vegetables in Walpole, NH to selling wholesale plants at Pleasant View Gardens in Pembroke, NH. With guidance from the Dubucs and lots of help and support from family and friends, Ledgeview Greenhouses will open this spring full of beautiful annuals, perennials, herbs, and vegetable plants. As new owners, the Carrs are

working hard to produce the same quality plants, and provide the same great service that customers had come to appreciate from the Dubucs over the years. While offering a lot of the same plants, Johnny and Carolyn will also expand on their ideas and in the future customers will see different plants and products. Carolyn will be the smiling face that greets you up on the hill now at Ledgeview Greenhouses and customers will find that she is able and willing to help them with any of their planting needs. We would like to thank Ron and Cindy for all the work that brought Ledgeview Greenhouses to where it is today. We would also like to thank you in advance for your support and hope to see you this spring! ■

Heading to Leadership Conference

Loudon seniors **Katie Downs** and **Emily Stearns** are off to Orlando, FL for the National HOSA Leadership Conference but they need your help! Emily and Katie are both seniors in the Health Science II program at Concord Regional Technical Center. The health science class is part of an organization called HOSA, which stands for Health Occupation Students of America and it is an organization for future health care professionals. Back in March, Emily and Katie went to a state conference in Manchester to compete against other classes from around the state. Emily participated in the Dental Terminology competitive event and placed first. Katie participated in the EMT competitive event and also placed first. Now they are both going to the National Conference in June to compete as a team in the EMT event against teams from all over the country! However, this trip will cost around \$3,000, so they are asking for your help to donate their GoFundMe account named Stearns and Downs CHS HOSA. Katie is an EMT with Loudon Fire Department. For her senior project she became

an EMT. She is also currently the president of the Victory Workers 4-H Club. While going to high school Katie is also on her way to becoming an Advanced EMT. Emily works at an assisted care facility and is currently on her way to becoming an LNA. For her senior project she cleaned up the butterfly garden at Loudon Elementary School. These are two dedicated young health care professionals would truly appreciate your help to have the experience of a lifetime. Thank you for your consideration. ■



Loudon Master Plan Update Community Visioning Session

Loudon Elementary School, Saturday, May 10 — 9:00 a.m. until noon

The Loudon Planning Board invites you to attend a Community Visioning Session on Saturday, May 10, a public input event for the Loudon Master Plan Update. This is an opportunity for residents to offer suggestions on important town issues and to get involved in the community planning process.

Topics to be discussed include Community and Recreational Facilities, Transportation, Natural Features, Utilities and Public Services, Housing, Demographics, Economic Development, and Land Use.

Refreshments and registration begin at 8:30 a.m., and the Visioning Session commences at 9:00 a.m.

If you are interested in participating in the development of the Master Plan update or just want more information, please call Donna White at 798-4540 or send an email to loudonplanningoffice@comcast.net.

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

PO Box 7837 • 798-4541 • townofloudon@comcast.net
Selectmen meet Tuesday evenings at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Building.
Mon.–Thurs.: 8 a.m.–4 p.m. • Tues. evenings: 6 p.m.–9 p.m.

Town Clerk
PO Box 7837 • 798-4542 • townclerkloudon@comcast.net
Mon.: 8 a.m.–2 p.m. • Tues.: 3 p.m.–9 p.m. • Wed.–Thur.: 9 a.m.–4 p.m.

Planning/Zoning Board
PO Box 7837 • 798-4540 • loudonplanningoffice@comcast.net
The Planning Board Meets the third Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Building. The Zoning Board meets the fourth Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Building.
Mon. through Thurs.: 8 a.m.–4 p.m. • Tues. 8 a.m.–7 p.m.

Tax Collector
PO Box 7844 • 798-4543 • taxcollectorloudon@comcast.net
Tues.: 3 p.m.–9 p.m. • Wed.–Thurs.: 9 a.m.–4 p.m.

Police Department: Emergencies: 911
PO Box 7059 • 798-5521 • www.loudonpolice.com
Mon.–Fri.: 8 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Code Enforcement
PO Box 7059 • 798-5584 • rfiske@loudoncodeenforcement.com
Monday–Thursday: 8 a.m.–4:00 p.m. Closed Fridays.

Fire Department: Emergencies: 911
PO Box 7032 • 798-5612 • chief@loudonfire.com
The Fire Department holds its general meeting on the second Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Safety Building. To obtain a fire permit, please stop by the station weekdays between the hours of 7 a.m. and 6 p.m. Fire permits for the weekend need to be obtained during these times.

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

Transfer Station
783-0170 • townofloudon@comcast.net
Tues. & Thurs.: 9 a.m.–5 p.m. (Winter)
Tues.: 9 a.m.–5 p.m. • Thurs.: 11 a.m.–7 p.m. (Summer) • Sat.: 8 a.m.–5 p.m.
Loudon residents can purchase facility stickers at the transfer station for \$4.00. See the attendant.

Highway Department
Road Agent: David Rice • 783-4568 • townofloudon@comcast.net
Mon.–Fri.: 7 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

Maxfield Public Library
Librarian: Nancy Hendy • 798-5153 • maxlib@comcast.net
Mon.: Closed • Tues.: 10 a.m.–9 p.m. • Wed.: 1–9 p.m.
Thurs.: 10 a.m.–9 p.m. • Sat.: 9 a.m.–1 p.m.
The Library Trustees meet at 4 p.m. on the first Monday of the month.

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

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

Loudon Representatives
Merrimack County — District 9
Priscilla P. Lockwood: PO Box 1, Canterbury, NH 03224-0001
Howard M. Moffett: 66 Cogswell Rd., Canterbury, NH 03224-2011
Merrimack County — District 26
Lorrie J. Carey: 151 King St., Boscawen, NH 03303-2107
Senators — District 17
John Reagan: 53 Mt. Delight Rd., Deerfield, NH 0303-1304

Loudon Ledger Submission Policy

All groups, organizations, individuals, etc. are encouraged to submit articles to the *Loudon Ledger*. Special events, landmark anniversaries or birthdays, “attaboys,” etc. are all welcome.
Please note, however, that the *Ledger* will uphold its mission:
To provide a comprehensive source of information and education about business, government, and community organizations within Loudon in order to facilitate and encourage informed citizen participation.
We will also follow our *Articles of Agreement*, which are on file with the Secretary of State:
The corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in any political campaign on behalf of any political party or candidate for public office, nor shall it sponsor or endorse any plan or proposition that does not facilitate or encourage informed citizen participation.

In other words, any article submitted must present *all sides* of an issue in a factual, unbiased manner so that the reader may form his/her own opinion based on the information presented. To paraphrase Eric Severard: “You should elucidate but not advocate.”
Articles should be submitted to the Loudon Communications Council, P.O. Box 7871, Loudon, NH 03307. They may be emailed to debbie@debbiekgraphics.com. From there, they will be forwarded to the Council for review before they are inserted in the *Loudon Ledger*. If you have any questions regarding this policy, please contact Mary Ann Steele, chairperson of the Council, 267-6509. ■

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February 2014 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 1/17	Council Meeting: Tues. 1/21
March 2014 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 2/14	Council Meeting: Tues. 2/18
April 2014 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 3/21	Council Meeting: Tues. 3/25
May 2014 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 4/18	Council Meeting: Tues. 4/22
June 2014 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 5/16	Council Meeting: Tues. 5/20
July 2014 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 6/20	Council Meeting: Tues. 6/24
August 2014 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 7/18	Council Meeting: Tues. 7/22
September 2014 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 8/15	Council Meeting: Tues. 8/19
October 2014 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 9/19	Council Meeting: Tues. 9/23
November 2014 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 10/17	Council Meeting: Tues. 10/21
December 2014 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 11/14	Council Meeting: Tues. 11/18

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Where to Worship in Loudon

Family Bible Church

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Ongoing Evening Adult Bible Studies: call for details



Faith Community Bible Church

Evangelical Free Church of America

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

Sunday Worship Hours: 8 a.m. and 11 a.m. (Nursery provided.)

Sunday School Classes: 9:30–10:30 a.m.

Children’s Worship Bible Explorers for ages 3 up to 4th Grade

Youth Group: Sunday 6:00 p.m.

Bible Study: Thurs. 9:30 a.m. (3rd Thursday of the month, meets at noon)
FCBC also has ministries for Men, Women, and Seniors.



Landmark Baptist Church

Independent, Biblical, Caring

Pastor Paul J. Clow

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

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

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

Sunday Evening Worship: 6 p.m.

Wednesday Evening Service: 7 p.m.
(Nursery provided for all services.)

Please visit our website for more information!



Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church

Rev. Linda Overall, Pastor — 603-875-5822

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

Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m.



Loudon Congregational Church

Rev. Dick Carter, Interim Minister

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

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

Wednesday Evenings: Bible Study

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



New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene

Senior Pastor Rev. Joshua T. Johnson

Youth Pastor Brian Bollinger

33 Staniels Rd, Loudon NH 03307 • Ph: 224-1311 • Office Hours: 9–2, Mon.–Fri.
office.LNBnazarene@gmail.com • www.LNBnazarene.org

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

Worship: 10:30 a.m. (Childcare provided for Infants–3-year-olds.) *Jr. Kids Church* (3-year-olds–Kindergarteners.)

Children’s Church (Grades 1–4)

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

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

Adult Bible Study with Pastor Josh: 7–8 p.m.

Kids Time (Grades 1–6). 7–8 p.m.

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

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



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

Loudon Church News

Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church

Bible Study every other Saturday at 8 a.m. Potluck breakfast. Currently studying the book of Genesis. Please join us at any time. Call Pastor Overall for dates and locations at 603-875-5822.

Caregiver’s Support Group on the second and fourth Mondays of every month. Bring your loved one with you if you need to, we now have volunteers to visit and look after your loved one while you attend the support group. Light snack provided. This support group is for anyone caring for sick people of any age or the elderly. Please call Pastor Overall for more information at 603-875-5822

Saturday, May 17 please join us for a **potluck supper** at 6 p.m. followed by the music of *The HomeFolk* at 7 p.m. A freewill love offering will be taken.

Please feel free to bring a donation for the Loudon Food Pantry to any of our events.

Everyone is invited to join us on Sundays at 9:30 as we worship the Lord.

Need to speak to the pastor? Call Rev. Overall at 875-5822.

Check us out and LIKE us on FACEBOOK!

Contact us at 603-708-1185 or newchurchloudon@comcast.net. ■

PUBLIC NOTICE TOWN OF LOUDON

The Supervisors of the Checklist will be in session at the Loudon town offices (29 S. Village Road, Loudon) on **Tuesday, June 3, 2014 between 7:00 to 7:30 p.m.**

This is the last day to change party affiliation before the primary election.

Additions and corrections to the checklist may be also be made.
RSA 654:15

*Marge Schoonmaker
Francine Clave
Tracy Huckins
Supervisors of the Checklist*

FREE COMMUNITY DINNER

SATURDAY, MAY 10, 2014

Serving dinner at 4:30-6:30 PM

**The Family Bible Church
676 Loudon Ridge Road
Loudon, NH 03307**

**Bring your friends. • Bring your family.
Bring your appetite**

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME
IT IS OUR PLEASURE TO SERVE YOU**

*Call Cindy at 393-4384 for information
or directions. Leave a message.*

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

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Get The Lead Out!

The Clough Pond Association is pleased to participate in this year's "Get the Lead Out, NH" initiative that educates anglers to the hazards of using lead tackle, jigs and sinkers.

Lead is not only dangerous for humans, but fatal if ingested by loons, eagles, swans, cranes, and other water birds. Loons and other water birds may ingest lead fishing tackle by eating fish that are trailing fishing line with lead jigs or sinkers; or by striking at a fishing line being trolled through the water with lead tackle attached; or by picking up lead tackle off the bottom of a waterbody, mistaking it for pebbles that normally aid in digestion.

The Loon Preservation Committee began studying loon deaths in 1989 and found that 49% of documented adult loon deaths in New Hampshire were due to the ingestion of lead fishing sinkers and jigs.

The good news is that there are many alternatives to lead fishing tackle. These are made of non-toxic steel, tin, brass, tungsten, and bismuth. Go to www.nhlakes.org/lead to find a listing of area stores that sell non-toxic fishing tackle.

On opening day of fishing season, Clough Pond Association volunteers manned the boat ramp to offer visitors samples of lead alternatives. Hopefully many Loudon residents were able to "snag" a few of these free samples!

If you have questions about lead fishing tackle and its impact on our local waterbirds, please visit www.loon.org or www.cloughpondnh.org. ■



Loons on Clough Pond in 2010.

Photo by D.C. Lincoln

Earth Day Clean Up



On Earth Day, April 22, all of the great great grandchildren of Josephine Welch picked up trash on Piper Hill Road where they all live. There was Amy Dodenhoff with her sons Ethan and Elisha; friends Wyatt and Garrett (Mulkhey) Gilman and Nicole Geoffrion; Steven and Kerith Muzzey along with their sons Robert, Jonathan, and Bryce; and Carolyn Stinson with her granddaughters Emmaleigh and Taiylor. It took them about two hours to pick up one mile — and they got SEVEN bags of trash!

Photo submitted by Carolyn Stinson.

Merrimack Valley High School Class of 1984 is holding its 30th Class Reunion July 18–20, 2014

For more information, check out the website: MVHS-1984.com or send us an email: MVHS_1984@comcast.net

The Town of Loudon is currently accepting applications for the position of LIFEGUARD at Clough Pond Beach. Hours will be Tuesday–Saturday, 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. effective June 14, 2014 until August 30, 2014. Applicant must have lifeguard and CPR certifications (or be certified before June 14).

If interested, send resume to Chief Robert N. Fiske, Loudon Police Department, PO Box 7059, Loudon, NH 03307 or drop off at the Loudon Police Department, 8 Cooper Street.

Closing Date May 16, 2014.

Loudon Bike Safety Rodeo

Saturday May 10, 2014
From 8:30–10:30 a.m.
At the Recreation Field parking lot



Need a new helmet?
How about a bike tune up?
Want some goodies for the road?



Learn the rules of the road.
Put some air in those tires and ride the safety course.

Loudon's Troop 30 Boy Scouts will be your pit crew. Stop by to get your bike tuned up, learn the rules of the road, take a ride on the course, get some goodies, and have fun safely on the road this summer.

Sponsored by:

Loudon Boy Scouts — Troop 30

Loudon Recreation Committee

Loudon Police Association



Pack 247 Update

Congratulations to the four Webelos II boys who received their *Arrow of Light* award. The *Arrow of Light* is the highest award in Cub Scouts and prepares a boy for his transition to Boy Scouts. Pack 247 congratulates these boys on all their hard work and wishes them good luck as they continue on their Scouting path.

Arrow of Light Recipients

- Cole Sheppard
- Hayden Gardener
- Zachary Caruso
- Caden Brien

The boys in all the dens of Pack 247 continue to work to meet the requirements of their respective levels. Congratulations to the Wolf Den on their achievements.

Beltloops

Communicating: Nick Fraser, Mike Ardini, Hayden Butler, Aiden Bondaz

Art: Nick Fraser, Mike Ardini, Hayden Butler, Aiden Bondaz

Collecting: Nick Fraser, Mike Ardini, Hayden Butler, Aiden Bondaz ■



VNA News

May Walk-In Immunization Clinics

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association offers monthly Walk-In Immunization Clinics for children and adults who are uninsured, underserved, and who have no access to these needed services in order to lead a healthy lifestyle. May's clinics will be offered Monday, May 5 from 1–3 p.m. and Tuesday, May 20 from 2:30–4:30 p.m. at St. Paul's Episcopal Church Outreach Center, 21 Centre St. in Concord. A fee of \$10 is requested per person. Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Please bring an immunization record with you.

For more information, call Concord Regional VNA at (603) 224-4093 or (800) 924-8620, ext. 5815.

May Walk-In Blood Pressure Clinic

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association offers a free monthly Walk-in Blood Pressure Clinic on Friday, May 2 from 9:30–11 a.m. at Concord Parks and Recreation (formerly Dame School), 14 Canterbury Rd. in Concord. Blood pressure screenings are a good way for individuals to track their blood pressure for upcoming visits to their physician. For more information, call Concord Regional VNA at (603) 224-4093 or (800) 924-8620, ext. 5815.

May Senior Health Clinics

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association is offering a Senior Health Clinic on May 27 at the VOANNE Senior Housing from 9 a.m. until noon. Rides are available by calling 798-5203. All Senior Health Clinic services are provided for a suggested donation of \$10; however, services are provided regardless of a person's ability to pay. Services offered include foot care, blood pressure screening, B-12 injections, medication education, and nutritional education. Call (603) 224-4093 or (800) 924-8620, ext. 5815 for an appointment. ■

Bring a Cow To School?

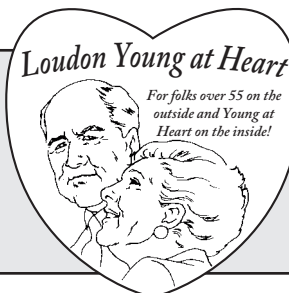
By Carole Soule

If you can't bring the school to the cow, why not bring the cow to the school? That is exactly what Pittsfield Middle/High School did on April 10th at the school's Second Annual Wellness Fair: the school brought a Miles Smith Farm cow and bunny into the school. The focus of the fair was making healthy choices and who better to have in attendance than a healthy Scottish Highlander steer; but not just any steer. Two-year-old Curious Bleu, famous for a book written about his adventures as a day-old calf, spent the morning in the school's foyer greeting students and mooing for attention.

The event, planned by June Keusch, the Pittsfield School nurse, featuring local businesses that help students make healthy and interesting career and life choices, was well attended by students in grades 7–12. Most students were amazed that there was a cow in their lobby. And some were interested in how the cow's manure was handled since Bleu is not yet house trained. Bleu greeted over two hundred students and was a perfect gentleman the whole time. Angus, the rabbit, enjoyed hugs from some students but mostly sat quietly in his basket.

And when he left, the maintenance crew was amazed at how clean the area was. "I expected a big mess, but this is really clean," said one crew member.

Bleu and Angus had a great time and hopefully the students learned that farming is a fun career and a rewarding one as well. ■



Loudon Young at Heart

On April 8, 2014, thirty-three members of the Young at Heart met at Charlie's Barn to listen to the presentation on *Mushrooms* given by Dennis Chesley.

Dennis was born and brought up in Loudon, NH and for the past eighteen years has lived in Ossipee, NH. Dennis is a co-owner in the New Hampshire Mushroom Company located in Tamworth, NH. The Mission Statement of the company is "*Fresh, Local, and Organic.*" They are the largest mushroom company in New England and grow ten different species of mushrooms. They are also NH Organic Certified. They have an open house every Sunday from 12:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. or by appointment. They are located at 153 Gardner Hill Road, Tamworth and the phone number is (603) 323-0097. The Online address is www.nhmushrooms.com.

The next Young at Heart meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 13, 2014. The meeting will consist of a video and a demonstration on using a fire extinguisher followed by bingo and pizza for lunch.

If you are planning to attend the May meeting, the first item on the agenda is the demonstration of the use of fire extinguishers and therefore, folks are asked to park at Charlie's Barn and walk directly to the fire station. Coffee will be available there. Around 11:00, all will return to Charlie's Barn for a few games of bingo followed by pizza for lunch, which will be served about 12:00 p.m. (\$3.00 per person for pizza).

Sign-ups for the June 10th trip to York Beach will continue at the May meeting.

Anyone with a phone list, please make your calls and have your numbers to Irene at 798-5872 by May 6th.

Also, at the May meeting we will be looking for volunteers for the Nominating Committee and the Old Home Days Float committee.

Until then stay safe and have fun!!!!

If you would like any information regarding the Young at Heart, please contact the following individuals: Barbara Follansbee, 783-3392 or Letty Barton, 783-4341.

See you next month!! ■



MERRIMACK VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL MUSIC BOOSTERS (MUBO)

Third Annual Golf Tournament

On Saturday, June 7, 2014 at 9:00 am, we will be hosting a golf tournament at Loudon Country Club. In addition to a great day of golf, there will be raffles, and a delicious barbeque included in the day's activities.

Proceeds from this event will be used to help send the MVHS music department to Walt Disney World in Orlando Florida where they will perform and march in the 2016 Disney Parade.

The cost of this event is only \$300 per 4-man team; \$75 per person. This includes 18 holes of golf, golf cart, meal and various awards.

In addition to players, we need your financial support. We are looking for hole sponsors (\$50.00 Business, \$25.00 for students names), and donated items and /or services for the raffle.

**If you are interested in becoming a sponsor
or would like to help by making a donation please contact**

**Leighton Terwilliger at 1-978-877-3222; lsterwilliger@tds.net
or Heidi Terwilliger at 603-735-6502; hterwilliger@tds.net**

Thank you for your thoughtfulness and greatly appreciated support.

Sincerely,

Merrimack Valley Music Boosters

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Loudon American Legion Post 88

By Shawn Jones, Post Commander

The Legion held its Post Officer Installation in April. Your 2014–2015 officers are as follows: Commander Shawn Jones, First Vice Commander Gary Tasker, Second Vice Commander Ben Elliott, Adjutant Joe Piroso, Finance Officer Larry Elliott, Chaplain Larry Hemphill, Judge Advocate Stanley Prescott, Historian Mike Moffett, Service Officer Shane LaBonte, and Sgt.-at-Arms Scott Newton.

I look forward to working with these officers in the year to come. I thank each and every one of you for stepping up and filling these important post officer positions.

We had a good turnout of members, family, and guests. District 5 Commander Gerard Leduc conducted the installation. After the installation ceremony was finished, Department Commander Maurice Anderson addressed the crowd and said some positive things about our post membership and the things we are doing. He encouraged us to vote on two delegates to send to state convention in June as there are important new resolutions to vote on that will bring change to the NH Legion in the future. He also spoke about his Commander's fundraising project for the year. His goal is to raise \$8,000 for Wounded Warriors at 45 North. Commander Anderson was

presented with a check for \$200 from our post to help him reach his goal.

May should prove to be a busy month. We will be having our annual Memorial Day parade on Monday, May 26th. We will form up at the former Legion Post location at 55 S. Village Rd. at approximately 8:30 and step off at 9:00. The week before the parade, members and the Girl Scouts will be out placing flags and grave markers where needed on Veteran's graves. If you know of a new buried veteran in one of our town cemeteries please let Bob Ordway, Joe Piroso or myself know. The town, Legion, and Concord V.F.W. will sponsor this year's event.

If you have served, please think of joining. If you want to be active or a non-active member, that is fine. You will receive information from the State and National headquarters with lots of important news you will not find anywhere else. Also we may be able to help or steer you in the right direction with questions you may have. We will be accepting applications for this year's Boy's State Program at Riviera College. For more information on this program and eligibility requirements please contact the Post.

I'd like to welcome two new members to our post this month. They are



Commander Jones presents Dept. Commander Anderson with a check for this year's Commander's Project.

William "Bill" Leombruno a US Navy Veteran and David Copson an Army Veteran. David came for his first meeting in April. I thank the both of them for interest in transferring to our post and helping us to grow our member-

ship. I look forward to see the two of you at future meetings.

We meet again on May 21st at the Loudon Community building at 1900 hrs. We look forward to seeing you there. ■

Sign Up Now For Summer Youth Programs At Owl Brook Hunter Education Center

Registration is now open for free youth day programs taking place this summer at the Owl Brook Hunter Education Center in Holderness. These programs give youth (boys and girls) age 10–15 the chance to learn about the shooting sports, bowhunting, and other outdoor skills. Sessions will be offered in July and August at Owl Brook, which is operated by the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department.

Pre-registration is required and will be conducted on a first-come, first-served basis. Space is limited — enrollment is limited to 20 youth per day — so please register early. To register, call 603-536-3954. There is no charge for the sessions. Each program is hands-on, and all participants will be encouraged to be involved.

Day programs will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays, unless otherwise noted, beginning July 8 and ending August 7. Tuesdays will be for youth ages 10–12 and Thursdays will be for youth ages 13–15. In addition, for girls ages 10–15, a girls-only archery will be offered on Wednesday, August 8, and a girls-only shooting sports day will be offered on Wednesday, July 23.

Another popular offering is a dual Hunter Education Certification week that will take place on July 29, 30, 31 and August 1, during which students have the opportunity to earn both their Hunter Education and Bowhunter Education certifications. Youth ages 12–15 who attend and meet all requirements will receive their Hunter Education and Bowhunter Education Certification card.

Check out the action by viewing a three-minute video about the youth day programs at Owl Brook at http://www.huntnh.com/Hunting/hunter_ed_center.htm.

Participants may register for one or more sessions, which are held from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on the dates listed below. Bring your own bag lunch.

Week 1: (9 a.m.–3 p.m.) — Bowhunting/Archery skills

Tuesday July 8 (10–12 year olds)
Wednesday July 9 (Girls only age 10–15)
Thursday July 10 (13–15 year olds)

Week 2: (9 a.m.–3 p.m.) — Outdoor Skills

Tuesday July 15 (10–12 year olds)
Thursday July 17 (13–15 year olds)

Week 3: (9 a.m.–3 p.m.) — Shooting Sports

Tuesday July 22 (10–12 year olds)
Wednesday July 23 (Girls Only age 10–15)
Thursday July 24 (13–15 year olds)

Week 4: (9 a.m.–3 p.m.) — Hunter/Bowhunter Education Dual Certification Week

(*Both certifications issued upon completion. Must attend all days listed and be 12 years old on or before August 1.)

Tuesday July 29
Wednesday July 30
Thursday July 31
Friday August 1

Week 5: (9 a.m.–3 p.m.) — Exploring the Outdoors

Tuesday August 5 (10–12 year olds)
Thursday August 7 (13–15 year olds)

"New Hampshire is still a relatively rural state, but fewer youth are taking advantage of outdoor opportunities," said Tom Flynn, Program manager at Owl Brook. "The Owl Brook Hunter Education Center is here to inspire young people to become involved in the outdoors. These free, skill-based summer workshops are a fun way to help them discover what it's all about."

The mission of the Owl Brook Hunter Education Center is to educate individuals in the knowledge, skills, and behaviors needed to become safe and responsible hunters, trappers and stewards of the state's natural resources. Its facilities include shooting ranges, classroom space and interpretive trails. To learn more about Owl Brook, please visit http://www.wildnh.com/Hunting/hunter_ed_center.htm.

Activities at the Owl Brook Hunter Education Center are made possible by Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration funds.

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

Girl Scout News

Girl Scouts: A Leader's Perspective

Throughout this school year, you've read about our troops' activities. Loudon Girl Scouts have visited New York City; marched in parades celebrating our community and our veterans; taken part in World Thinking Day and expanded their knowledge of cultures around the world; learned internet and outdoor safety; faced their fears at a climbing tower; supported the Loudon Food Pantry by participating in the Halloween party; baked delicious treats for the annual bake sale; donated pet food and supplies to the Concord SPCA; practiced goal-setting and sale skills through nut and cookie sales; and much, much more!

Not only do the girls have the opportunity to choose traditional activities such as sewing and cooking, they are encouraged to really stretch and try new things such as learning about government, being a business owner, and investigating alternative energy. Guiding them by way of community service, badge work, and "journeys" (themed programs that encourage discovery, connection, and action) strengthens their self-confidence and gives them the framework to make a difference in their community. To borrow the Girl Scout motto, we strive to build girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place.

It has been enormously rewarding to watch our group of girls grow. Whether it's their delight in cracking a secret code, understanding a concept for the first time, conquering a fear, planning an activity, or — best of all — supporting and praising each other, they are learning so much about themselves and how they fit in and can enhance their community. Do you have a few hours a month that you can spend in leading and inspiring girls? Do you have skills or talents that you would be willing to share with our troops? Now more than ever, Girl Scouts needs you! Interested volunteers can register at www.girlscoutsgwm.org, or contact our area coordinator, Amanda Masse, at jaelmasse@comcast.net.

Do you have a daughter who would benefit from this positive, nurturing, and confidence-building organization? Sign them up! Early registration is open and troops are always accepting new members.

While you're at the Girl Scout website, take a look at the camp offerings throughout New Hampshire and Vermont. There are dozens of day and resident camp programs run through the summer, with fun for everyone from kindergarten through 10th grade. ■

Girl Scout Activities

Junior Troop 10955

Lynnette LeBlanc and Tammy Bourque

The troop earned their *Inside Government* badge. They discussed the different branches of the government, laws, and what being an active citizen means to them. We discussed silly laws that still exist in states and what laws or changes we would enforce if given the opportunity. Lastly, we reviewed the Girl Scout Law and if we would want to change it; we had a unanimous vote to keep it the way it reads. We ended the evening making American flags from popsicle sticks. Girls from the troop had a fun day in New York exploring the city, visiting Central Park Zoo and dining at Planet Hollywood.

Cadette Troop 12083

Lynnette LeBlanc and Tammy Bourque

The troop earned their *Good Sportsmanship* badge this month. We discussed the definition of sportsman-



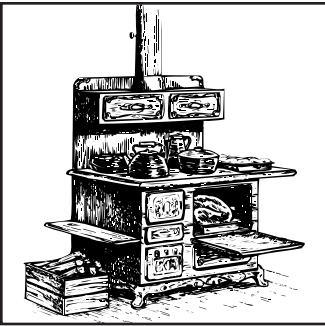
ship, how to be a good competitor, a good teammate, and we role-played and played games putting good sportsmanship into action. A fun day in New York was spent visiting China Town and Central Park, ending the day in Times Square.

Junior Troop 10454

Debbie Latham and Cammy Nolin

Troop 10454 welcomed Lee Laughlin to our first meeting this month. Mrs. Laughlin shared her adventures geocaching in cities all across the US and showed the girls photos of some of the places she's visited. Our endangered animal posters are all done and will soon hang at LES or the Maxfield Library. We began work on our Detective badge, and the girls practiced their powers of observation, learned several different types of secret codes, and deciphered clues to find treats in a scavenger hunt. We'll visit the police station and learn about fingerprints next month. Several of our girls went to New York City and enjoyed a perfect spring day exploring the Museum of Natural History, World Trade Center Memorial, Times Square, and seeing the city by ferry and tour bus. ■





What’s Cookin’!

This month: Spice Up Your Life With Salsa!

Jenn Pfeifer

Salsa....The New York Times reported way back in 1992: “Ketchup, long the king of American condiments, has been dethroned. Last year, salsa...took the condiment crown, outselling ketchup by \$40 million in retail stores.” Salsa is my favorite guilt free food and with all the different recipes you can have a different one every day of the week. I have started experimenting with using it as more than just a dip for tortilla chips. Try some of the following recipes on burgers, sandwiches, and wraps. They can also be used as a replacement for your favorite salad dressings.

ROASTED TOMATO SALSA — Recipe by Katkro. allrecipes.com.

- 12 roma (plum) tomatoes
- 2 cloves garlic, unpeeled
- 1 small onion, quartered
- 1 jalapeno chile pepper
- 1-1/2 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 teaspoon ground cumin
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 3 tablespoons fresh lime juice
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh cilantro

Preheat the broiler. In a medium baking dish, place roma (plum) tomatoes, garlic, onion, and jalapeno chile pepper. Drizzle with olive oil. Checking often, broil 5 to 10 minutes or until outsides of vegetables are charred. Remove vegetables from heat. Remove and discard tomato cores, jalapeno stem and garlic skins. In a food processor, coarsely chop the charred vegetables. Transfer to a medium bowl and mix in cumin, salt, lime juice and cilantro.

BLACK BEAN SALSA — Recipe by Rebeckah Macfie. allrecipes.com.

- 3 15-ounce cans black beans, drained and rinsed
- 1 11-ounce can Mexican-style corn, drained
- 2 10-ounce cans diced tomatoes with green chile peppers, partially drained
- 2 tomatoes, diced
- 2 bunches green onions, chopped
- cilantro leaves, for garnish

In a large bowl, mix together black beans, Mexican-style corn, diced tomatoes with green chile peppers, tomatoes, and green onion stalks. Garnish with desired amount of cilantro leaves. Chill in the refrigerator at least 8 hours, or overnight, before serving.

AVOCADO-MANGO SALSA — Recipe by Julie. allrecipes.com.

- 1 mango, peeled, seeded, and diced
- 1 red bell pepper, seeded and diced
- 3/4 cup chopped red onion
- 1 tablespoon white sugar
- 1 tablespoon olive oil
- 2 tablespoons white wine vinegar
- 1 avocado, peeled, pitted, and diced
- 1 teaspoon salt

Toss together mango, bell pepper, onion, sugar, olive oil, and vinegar in a bowl. Gently fold in diced avocado, and season with salt.

WATERMELON FIRE AND ICE SALSA — Recipe by Lady Flannel. allrecipes.com.

- 3 cups chopped watermelon
- 1/2 cup chopped green bell pepper
- 2 tablespoons lime juice
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh cilantro
- 1 tablespoon chopped green onions
- 1 tablespoon chopped jalapeno pepper
- 1/2 teaspoon garlic salt

In a large bowl, combine the watermelon, green bell pepper, lime juice, cilantro, green onions, jalapeno, and garlic salt. Mix well and serve.

CRANBERRY SALSA — Recipe by SHASH. allrecipes.com.

- 1 12-ounce bag cranberries, fresh or frozen
- 1 bunch cilantro, chopped
- 1 bunch green onions, cut into 3 inch lengths
- 1 jalapeno pepper, seeded and minced
- 2 limes, juiced
- 3/4 cup white sugar
- 1 pinch salt

Combine cranberries, cilantro, green onions, jalapeno pepper, lime juice, sugar, and salt in the bowl of a food processor fitted with a medium blade. Chop to medium consistency. Refrigerate if not using immediately. Serve at room temperature.

RHUBARB SALSA — Recipe by lisa. allrecipes.com.

- 2 cups rhubarb, diced small
- 1 cup chopped apple
- 3 green onions, chopped
- 2 limes, juiced
- 2 tablespoons honey
- 1 jalapeno pepper, seeded and chopped

Bring a pot of water to a boil over medium heat and stir in the rhubarb; simmer for 2 minutes to blanch. Drain in a colander set in the sink and let cool. Stir together the cooled rhubarb, apple, green onions, lime juice, honey, and jalapeno pepper until thoroughly combined.

STRAWBERRY SALSA — Recipe by Betty Baker. allrecipes.com.

- 2 cups strawberries, sliced
- 1 cup grape tomatoes, coarsely chopped
- 1/2 cup green onions, chopped
- 2 tablespoons jalapeno pepper, seeded and minced
- 1/4 cup fresh mint, chopped
- 2 tablespoons cilantro, chopped
- 1 teaspoon grated lime zest
- 2 tablespoons lime juice
- 2 tablespoons balsamic vinegar
- 1/2 teaspoon coarse salt
- 1/2 teaspoon ground black pepper

Place the strawberries, tomatoes, green onions, jalapeno pepper, mint, cilantro, and lime zest into a mixing bowl. Stir in the lime juice, balsamic vinegar, salt, and pepper to serve.

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

Deadline for the
June Issue of
The Loudon Ledger
is Friday, May 16

Concord Hospital Honored With Quality Achievement Award for Stroke Care

Concord Hospital has received the Get With The Guidelines®-Stroke Silver-Plus Quality Achievement Award for implementing specific quality improvement measures outlined by the American Heart Association/American Stroke Association for the treatment of stroke patients.

Get With The Guidelines Stroke helps hospital teams provide the most up-to-date, research-based guidelines with the goal of speeding recovery and reducing death and disability for stroke patients. Concord Hospital earned the award by meeting specific quality achievement measures for the rapid diagnosis and treatment of stroke patients at a set level for a designated period. These measures include aggressive use of medications and risk-reduction therapies aimed at reducing death and disability and improving the lives of stroke patients.

"Concord Hospital is dedicated to improving the quality of stroke care and The American Heart Association/American Stroke Association's Get With The Guidelines-Stroke helps us achieve that goal," said Kristine Chaisson, Administrative Director of Cardiac Surgery, Cardiovascular Services and Clinical Decision Unit, Stroke Program Coordinator. "With this award, our hospital demonstrates our commitment to ensure that our patients receive care based on internationally-respected clinical guidelines."

"We are pleased to recognize Concord Hospital for their commitment and dedication to stroke care," said Deepak L. Bhatt, M.D., M.P.H., national chairman of the Get With The Guidelines steering committee and Executive Director of Interventional Cardiovascular Programs at Brigham and Women's Hospital and Professor of Medicine at Harvard Medical School. "Studies have shown that hospitals that consistently follow Get With The Guidelines quality improvement measures can reduce patients' length of stays and 30-day readmission rates and reduce disparity gaps in care."

Get With The Guidelines-Stroke also helps Concord Hospital's staff implement prevention measures, which include educating stroke patients to manage their risk factors and to be aware of warning signs for stroke, and ensuring they take their medications properly. Hospitals can make customized patient education materials available upon discharge, based on the patients' individual risk profiles.

According to the American Heart Association/American Stroke Association, stroke is the number four cause of death and a leading cause of adult disability in the United States. On average, someone suffers a stroke every 40 seconds; someone dies of a stroke every four minutes; and 795,000 people suffer a new or recurrent stroke each year.

About Get With The Guidelines Get With The Guidelines® is the American Heart Association/American Stroke Association's hospital-based quality improvement program provides hospitals with the latest research-based guidelines. Developed with the goal of saving lives and hastening recovery, Get With The Guidelines has touched the lives of more than 4 million patients since 2001. For more information, visit heart.org/quality or heart.org/myhealthcare. ■



Loudon Food Pantry News

Loudon Food Pantry Welcomes Epsom Food Pantry

After speaking with Priscilla it looks like Epsom Food Pantry is now up and running. Congratulations! So as of April 15, 2014 Loudon Food Pantry is no longer accepting new patrons from Epsom. For those patrons that are currently coming to Loudon Food Pantry you are invited to stay with us or go to Epsom Food Pantry. You cannot use both pantries. The choice is yours.

Epsom Food Pantry is located in the old town hall, in front of the Epsom Library. They are open Saturday 10 a.m.–12 p.m., Wednesday 12 p.m.–2 p.m. and by appointment. They are a once per month pantry. Call 603-219-3025 or 603-736-4407 for more information.

Do You Need Assistance?

If you live in Belmont, Canterbury, Chichester or Loudon and you need assistance, please call 603-724-9731 to see if you qualify. Even if you don't qualify for food stamps, we may still be able to help! Don't wait until your cabinets, refrigerator or freezer is empty, call today.

Feinstein Challenge Update

As of April 15th our donors have helped raise a total of (insert drumroll here) \$9,287.97. Our goal this year was \$6,500. This challenge ends on April 30th. I will publish the final results (complete with the breakdown) in the next issue.

Loudon Food Pantry Needs

Currently the items we need the most are baby food, fruit, jams, jellies, peanut butter, breakfast items, baked beans, beverages, frozen meat, and canned meats, fresh produce.

When donating food, please remember that size does matter. A lot of our single households enjoy the use of small items (around 8 oz. size). For them, there is less waste. Our 2–4 household sizes get the best use out of 15–16 oz. items. Our 5–11 household size loves the large items (less items to open to make one meal).

Donations can be dropped off or mailed to:

Loudon Food Pantry, 30 Chichester Rd., Unit D, Loudon, NH 03307 (please make checks out to Loudon Food Pantry). Donations may also be made through our website at LoudonFoodPantry.org.

We have collection bins at the following locations:

Business	Town	Collection Type Accepted
Elkins Library	Canterbury	Food
Care Pharmacy	Epsom	Funds
Loudon Post Office	Loudon	Food & Funds
The Hungry Buffalo	Loudon	Food & Funds
Beanstalk	Loudon	Funds
Red Roof Inn	Loudon	Food & Funds
Loudon Village Country Store	Loudon	Funds
Body & Spirit Day Spa	Concord	Funds
Yellow Submarine	N. State St., Concord	Funds

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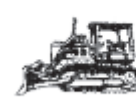


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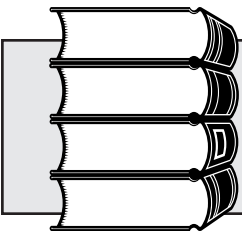
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Maxfield Public Library News

Loudon Village Arts Fine Art Show — June 7–8

Original artwork brings a special quality to your home and makes a unique gift. Save the dates of June 7 and 8 to enjoy the upcoming Spring Fine Art Show sponsored by the Loudon Village Arts group. Paintings in oil, acrylic, watercolor, and pastel will be on display along with both color and black and white photography. Stop by anytime from now through the close of the show to pick up raffle tickets for the richly-colored hummingbird painting by Loudon artist Ken Krzewick. Door prizes will be drawn throughout the show.

Speak With A Navigator — NH Health Insurance Marketplace

On May 21, at 6:30 p.m., stop by the library to learn about the new Health Insurance Marketplace and the 11 affordable plans available to you. Marilyn Sullivan from the Bi-State Primary Care Association will give information and answer questions to help you use this new resource to find a plan tailored to your income. The Bi-State Primary Care Association is a nonpartisan, non-profit 501(c)(3) charitable organization that promotes access to effective and affordable primary care and preventive services for all, with special emphasis on underserved populations in New Hampshire and Vermont.



The Library is a great place to work on your homework.

Yoga Classes

Did you know that ongoing yoga sessions can improve your posture, help you walk more comfortably, and relieve several other physical discomforts? Those are a few reasons to stop by for Fran Nash’s weekly yoga classes. Hatha yoga sessions take place on Mondays at 6 p.m., Tuesdays at 1 p.m., and Thursdays at 6 p.m. Low-impact chair yoga is held at 11 a.m. on Thursdays. Classes are \$5.00 per session.

New Books

Fiction

Archer, Jeffrey	<i>Be Careful What You Wish For</i>
French, Nicci	<i>Waiting for Wednesday</i>
Gladstone, William	<i>Notes from the Internet Apocalypse</i>
Gloss, Susan	<i>Vintage</i>
Hummel, Maria	<i>Motherland</i>
Oliveira, Robin	<i>I Always Loved You</i>
Patterson, James	<i>Private L.A.</i>
Robotham, Michael	<i>Watching You</i>
Rosenfelt, David	<i>Without Warning</i>
Smith, Cotton	<i>Sorrel Moon</i>
Steinhauer, Olen	<i>The Cairo Affair</i>
Todd, Charles	<i>Hunting Shadows</i>

Nonfiction

Durand, V. Mark	<i>Sleep Better: A Guide to Improving Sleep for Children with Special Needs</i>
Eyman, Scott	<i>John Wayne: The Life and Legend</i>
Funk, McKenzie	<i>Windfall: The Booming Business of Global Warming</i>
Handler, Chelsea	<i>Uganda Be Kidding Me</i>
Harris, Mark	<i>Five Came Back: A Story of Hollywood and the Second World War</i>
Kolbert, Elizabeth	<i>The Sixth Extinction: An Unnatural History</i>
Lewis, Michael	<i>Flash Boys: A Wall Street Revolt</i>

Perez, Rosie
Roose, Kevin

Handbook for an Unpredictable Life
Young Money: Inside the Hidden World of Wall Street’s Post-Crash Recruits

New DVDs

American Hustle, August: Osage County, Delivery Man, The Nut Job, Philomena, Saving Mr. Banks, The Secret Life of Walter Mitty, The Wolf of Wall Street

Book Groups

Fiction/Nonfiction Group

In the sweeping tradition of James Michener, author William Martin presents a colorful, historical novel of Boston in *Back Bay*. *Publisher’s Weekly* calls this book a “clever and entertaining blend of history, family saga, and mystery.” Book group will meet for discussion at 7 p.m. on May 15. Newcomers are welcome.

Classic Book Group

Can you say Quasimodo? Victor Hugo will take book group to Paris to meet *The Hunchback of Notre Dame*. This Gothic novel set in 1482 has great name recognition, but what is it really about? Hugo’s passionate concern for cultural evolution through literature, art, architecture, and social awareness threads its way through the tumultuous story. The group will meet on May 27 at 2:30 p.m. to discuss the book. A time to share creative writing will follow.

Story Time

May 6–8 we celebrate parents by reading Lynn Downey’s *Most Loved Monster* and *Animal Dads* by Sneed B. Collard III. In the craft time to follow, story timers will build a picture frame to capture a treasured memory.

May 13–15 the children will construct moose puppets after listening to *Mucky Moose* by Jonathon Allen and *Z is for Moose* by Kelly Bingham.

Frog Hunt by Sandra Jordan and *Too Many Frogs* by Sandy Asher are the featured stories for May 20–22. By the time each participant leaves the library, they will be experts at catching flies with their tongues.

Library — cont. from 12

On May 27–29 story time looks to the stars with *Pinkalicious: Fairy House* by Victoria Kann and *Little Chick* by Amy Hest. Join us as we create a night sky full of glittering stars to end the story hour.

LEGO Club

Lego Club meets in the children's craft room every Thursday from 3:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. and is open to children of all ages. Children are given a weekly challenge, which is then put on display in the Children's Room.

The library would like to thank those who generously donated Legos to our weekly club: Letty Barton, Dianne Burr, Joy Masana, and Glen and Linda Wright.

Book Sale

Whether for trips to the beach, lazy days at camp, or just sitting home in a comfortable chair, your summer reading awaits you at the May 31 sale. It's ok if you fall off the dock with ones of these books in hand. You'll already own it! The sale will run from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Holiday Hours

The library will be closed on May 24 for Memorial Day weekend.

Library Hours

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



Above: Recently, people enjoyed a talk on growing fruits and berries in their back yard. This workshop was presented at the Library by the UNH Cooperative Extension. Below: Kids creativity shines at the Thursday Lego club.

PTA Update

By Lee Laughlin

3000 Eggs! That's the number of eggs PTA volunteers stuffed with goodies for the Annual PTA Easter Egg hunt held April 12th at LES.

3 minutes. That's how long it took for all the eggs to be scooped up by eager hunters!

Thanks to everyone who came out to enjoy the beautiful day!

Touch-A-Truck Saturday, May 17th at NHMS

Join us **Saturday, May 17th** from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at New Hampshire Motor Speedway for Touch-A-Truck. The cost is \$5 per person with a maximum of \$20 per family. This is your chance to get up close and personal with some of the vehicles that service our lives every day.

PTA Golf Tournament

Saturday, June 7, 2014 the PTA will once again host a golf tournament at the Loudon Country Club. It will be an 8 a.m. shotgun start with a barbecue chicken luncheon. We are actively seeking golfers, sponsors and donations for the raffle. If you are interested, please call the school at 783-4400.

Thanks to everyone who volunteers and supports the PTA. We are always in need of new help. Whether you have an hour or ten, we can use your help. Please contact the school if you are interested in volunteering. ■

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Merrimack Valley School District News

LES News — March

"I grew up in New Hampshire. My closest neighbor was a mile away. The deer and the raccoons were my friends. So I would spend time walking through the woods, looking for the most beautiful tropical thing that can survive the winter in the woods in New Hampshire."

— Steven Tyler

"This character feels so much like my brother. He has two children. He has a wife. He works with me. He chooses to stay in New Hampshire because he wants his kids to grow up in the school they started with. He doesn't want them to lose friends. He is his family's hero."

— Adam Sandler

Common Core and the 8 Mathematical Practices



I have had a few quality conversations regarding the Common Core State Standards (CCSS) with several parents who are thoughtful and looking out for the best interest of their children. I appreciate the efforts of those who have come to see me with questions.

The CCSS initiative was sponsored by the National Governors Association and the Council of Chief State School Officers. The purpose was to establish common learning objectives across the country and prepare our students for college and career.

Part of the CCSS for math has eight mathematical practices. They are designed for students to develop deeper levels of understanding. The goal is for the students to have higher levels of understanding and the ability to apply their learning to their lives. The practices are as follows with a brief description:

Make sense of problems and persevere in solving them: Students should be able to understand what is being asked of them, plan a strategy to solve the problem, and learn from their mistakes and continue to work even when they struggle or have answered incorrectly.

Reason abstractly and quantitatively: Students should be able to break problems apart and create symbols/pictures or non-traditional algorithms to solve. Students understand the meaning of the quantities, not just how to find the solution.

Construct viable arguments and critique the reasoning of others: Students know math vocabulary and use it properly to explain their thinking or to critique the work of others.

Model with mathematics: Students solve real-world problems with math and use math in other subject areas. Students understand the relationships of graphs, charts, and diagrams.

Use appropriate tools strategically: Students can choose appropriate tools (ie: rulers, calculators, manipulatives, etc.) to solve problems.

Attend to precision: Students give accurate, precise answers and use correct symbols and units of measure.

Look for and make use of structure: Students recognize patterns that help them solve more complex problems. Students realize there are multiple strategies to formulate solutions.

Look for and express regularity in repeated reasoning: Students recognize they can solve multiple problems from their mathematical understanding and should be pushed away from worksheets of multiple equations to problem solving of multi-step, real-world examples.

More Recent LES Events



L to R: Grade 5 Instrument Concert; 39th Army Band performs for LES; and a recent recess



L to R: Grade 1 Habitat projects; Mr. Dave saws ice chunks for safety; Grade 1 visits Windswept Maples Farm



L to R: Kindergraten PE; Grade 5 Oral Presentation; All hands on deck in Spanish

LES News — April

"Flowers always make people better, happier, and more helpful; they are sunshine, food, and medicine for the soul."

—Luther Burbank

"Spring is the time of plans and projects."

—Leo Tolstoy

New LES Principal



The new LES Principal will be Catherine Master-son. Mrs. Masterson is currently the Assistant Principal at Merrimack Valley Middle School. She has many ties to the MV community. She graduated from MVHS and her mother is a teacher at Boscawen Elementary School.

We will schedule a meet and greet sometime in the future. I hope you will be able to come to the school and meet her.

Arts Night



Arts night was held on Wednesday, April 16. Mrs. Keaton and Ms. Patnaude combine their talents to present student art and a choral concert. The attendance for this event was outstanding. The beginning of the night started with family members having access to the hallways to look at student art. Each student was able to pick out one piece of art for display. The music theme was Hollywood tunes. Each grade level performed two songs. The night concluded with all students singing Life is a Highway as a slideshow of student art was displayed on the gym wall.

AR Quiz and Book Swap



Mrs. Herrmann and Ms. Bailey organized an AR Quiz Day and Book Swap on April 17. We have been collecting books from students that the children have read or outgrown to exchange for books that are new to them. On Thursday, the books were laid out on tables and the students were able to select up to five books.

We also had several parents come into the school, read a short story with their child, and take an AR quiz. This home to school connection allowed the parents to have a first-hand experience of part of their child's LES day.

Chess Club



A long-standing co-curricular activity for our students is the Chess Club. Chess is a great game that requires a lot of strategy, planning, and stimulates the mind. Best of all, there are no batteries, electronic screens or controls.

The Chess Club has allowed our students to hone in their skills, and for some, learn how to play the game. The students also enjoy the friendship and competition with their classmates and teachers. Whenever students stay connected to their schools outside of instructional hours they benefit.

A Few LES Events



Left: Students perform at the Lip Sync.

Below: DARE students enjoying the Monarchs.

Right: Hanging out with a cup of coffee!



Upcoming Dates...

- The last day of school for students is Friday, June 20
- The next school board meeting will be at Loudon Elementary on Monday, May 12 at 7:15
- Progress Reports of Term 3 go home on May 8
- PTA Mother's Day Flowers will go home on May 9
- DARE graduation will be held on May 14 at 6:00
- PTA Touch-a-Truck on May 17 at NH Motor Speedway
- No school on Memorial Day, May 26

MVHS News

Art Honor Society News

The National Art Honor Society at Merrimack Valley High School provides avenues for recognition of artistic talents and opportunities for leadership roles for visual art students, while spotlighting the success and community work of our school's art program.

The Merrimack Valley High School NAHS chapter 1172 is proud to announce that the following students were recently accepted as members: **Melissa Chaput**, daughter of Ken and Tammy Chaput of Loudon; **Reagan Dombrowski**, daughter of Roxanne and Stanley of Loudon; **Kodi Davis**, son of Courtney and Shane Davis of Loudon; **Rebecca Drew**, daughter of Nancy and Bruce Carta-Drew of Loudon; and **Heather Stevens**, daughter of Robin and Wayne Stevens of Loudon.

These students join the current membership as outstanding art students who have maintained a B or better in their art classes and display good character. They share a desire to create and to contribute to the community. The NAHS members will once again participate in The Memory Project through which they create portraits for children who live in orphanages in Haiti. Once completed, these paintings and drawings will be delivered to the children. The rewards from this experience prove to be priceless.

Competency Based Grading System

This is the first year of Merrimack Valley High School's new competency-based grading system. On Wednesday, April 9th, school administrators and teacher leaders held a parent listening session to receive feedback on the strengths and limitations of the new grading system. Parents of current HS students were invited to join us from 6:30 to 8:00 in the HS Cafeteria. Parent feedback will be considered along with feedback from students and faculty members to help school leaders identify any needed adjustments to the system. ■



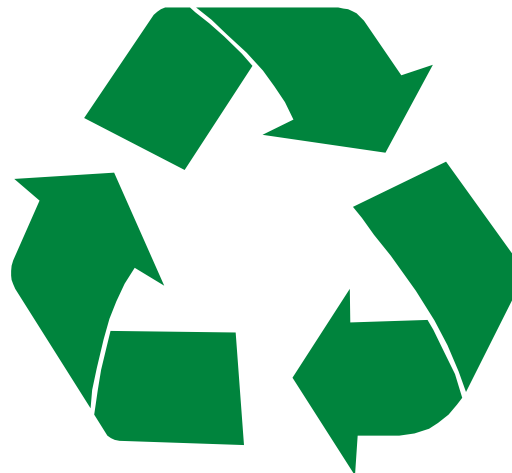
Household Hazardous Waste Day Successful Again!

By Steve Bennett, Transfer Station Manager • Photos by Cheryl Bennett

Loudon held its Fourth Household Hazardous Waste Day on Saturday, April 12th at the Transfer Station. A warm spring day made it easier for staff and residents to participate in the outdoor event, which is held every two years.

Residents dropped off unused paints, stains, cleaners, garden chemicals, poisons, etc. These were handled, sorted, packaged, and transported by Clean Harbors, which is a licensed hazardous waste disposal company. Most of these waste materials will either be reused or burned in special incinerators to keep the byproducts out of the air and ground water.

The next HHWD event is tentatively scheduled for the spring of 2016. Thanks to all who participated in this event! ■



Sanborn Mills Farm Tours and Water-Powered Sawmill Demonstrations Scheduled

On June 14th we will be conducting farm tours and water-powered sawmill demonstrations. Tours will begin at 10 a.m., 12 p.m., and 2 p.m. There will be no charge for the tours or demonstrations. Tom McQuade, our vegetable and grain grower, will be available to discuss organic farming practices and his 2014 Sustainable Gardening Workshop Series. Please come and join us. Rain or shine. If you have any questions, please call Tim Huppe at 568-7388.



Above: The barn sits on a hill with the original blacksmith shop in the foreground. The shop has been replaced with a newer blacksmith shop on the property used for teaching purposes. Left: The sawmill is water powered and is the only mill with both a circular and a vertical saw in New Hampshire. Photos by Debbie Kardaseski



Sanborn Mills Farm is a traditional New Hampshire working farm with agricultural fields and managed forests, timber framed barns and outbuildings still in use for animals, and a sawmill, a grist mill (both water-powered), and a blacksmith shop, all dating from the 1830s. The farm buildings are clustered around two dams at the outlet of Sanborn Pond, and are surrounded by almost 2,000 acres of open space in conservation.

A century and more ago, Sanborn Mills Farm was a bustling, thriving center of agricultural activities that supported an extended family and served the community. Today we have gathered a group of instructors, farmers, craftspeople and historians dedicated to teaching the traditional skills that were commonplace then. We provide opportunities for people to learn old-fashioned ways and explore how they can be integrated into modern life. We believe that these skills and a vital connection to the land continue to be important and relevant. Come join us in this endeavor to preserve and build upon the legacy of those who came before us.

Our mission is to use the restoration of the farm structures to advance the knowledge of nineteenth-century American millwrighting, sawmilling, grist milling, timber-framing, blacksmithing, and ice cutting through workshops, internships and apprentice programs.

The core of the farm was built in the 1830s by the Sanborn family of Loudon, and represents a successful agrarian enterprise at the dawn of the industrial revolution. People from the neighboring farms came here for their lumber, their grain, and to have their animals shod and their equipment repaired in the blacksmith shop. Such establishments dotted the landscape throughout New England before the Civil War and the advent of the railroads changed forever how far a farmer could travel in one day.

As surrounding mills became larger, and more modern industrial mills were developed in the surrounding towns, Sanborn Mills Farm became more of a small family business rather than a community-wide enterprise and social center. The water dammed in Sanborn Pond was not enough to allow the family to compete with mill owners on larger rivers. The extraordinary thing is that the Sanborn family kept the property intact and its buildings working until the 1990s when Colin and Paula Cabot became the first owners outside the family since 1770.

Sanborn Mills Farm is located at 7097 Sanborn Road in Loudon.

View our website at www.sanbornmills.org for a schedule of the many workshops we offer throughout the Summer and Fall on Blacksmithing, Oxen, and Draft Horses. ■

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Recreation Committee Has Plans For Fun!



“Like” us on Facebook! Loudon Recreation has a Facebook page, check it out for details on upcoming events. Those who follow us on Facebook or who check the website know that we add stuff after the publishing of the latest *Loudon Ledger* so please check frequently!!

SPRING YOUTH BASKETBALL

There will be Skill and Drill Pick-Up Games for boys and girls in grades 5–8 on May 1st through May 29, 2014 at Loudon Elementary School from 6:00–7:30 p.m. The cost is \$20 for Loudon residents/\$25 non-residents. Questions? Call Laurie Jaquith at 568-0971.

ZUMBA

Sessions of ZUMBA fun continue — the 5th session of Zumba starts in May. For more information email Jen at cjmercerc@myfairpoint.net. Zumba is held at Loudon Elementary for six weeks per session on Monday nights from 7:00–8:00 p.m. in the gymnasium. The cost is \$42 for the six week session. Please make checks payable to Loudon Recreation. You can register on the first or second night of the session.

CHILDREN’S SUMMER THEATER CAMP!

Children’s Stage Adventures will be back for the seventh year to offer theater camp for kids in kindergarten through high school. Save the date of July 21st through July 25th for the camp and with an amazing performance on Friday night, July 25th for all to enjoy. For more information about the Children’s Stage Adventures program, visit their website at www.childrenstageadventures.org. The flyer for the camp is located on the town website www.loudonnh.org.

COMMUNITY SUMMER FUN NIGHTS

Spring has sprung and soon summer will be upon us! We are starting to plan our Loudon Community Summer Fun Nights — if you have ideas of events you would like to see, please let us know!!

COMMUNITY TREE LIGHTING

The Recreation Committee was approached this past winter with an idea for a Community Christmas Tree with lighting ceremony and event. While there wasn’t enough time to put together an event for this past year, we are well in the works for planning such an event for this coming December. Keep it in the back of your mind and watch for more information coming out.

ALWAYS LOOKING FOR MORE HELP WITH RECREATION!!!

Loudon Recreation Committee is a volunteer group that organizes classes, workshops, events and activities for citizens of all ages in Loudon. We NEED other volunteers to step up and help out on this committee. This small group does quite a bit in town and we would like some fresh ideas. If you aren’t able to make a meeting but would like to share your ideas, suggestions or comments please take a moment to fill out the survey on the website www.loudonnh.org. Recreation Committee meetings are generally the fourth Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at Maxfield Public Library HOWEVER, sometimes our busy schedules require meeting date modifications — watch Facebook for meeting dates and times. If you don’t see us at the library on the fourth Wednesday of the month, please email Alicia at affirmhealth@yahoo.com to be added to our contact list for meeting dates.

Remember to check the town website www.loudonnh.org or Facebook between issues for updates and watch for updates in every issue of *The Loudon Ledger*. Thank you for your continued support! ■

Winter Bat Surveys Reveal No Good News at NH Hibernacula

Recent surveys for bats in New Hampshire hibernacula, places where bats spend the winter, resulted in biologists finding a total of only 28 bats, with two formerly very common species missing.

“White-nose syndrome has decimated little brown bats and northern long-eared bats,” said New Hampshire Fish and Game biologist Emily Preston. “Little brown bats were the most common species in the state before 2009.”

White-nose syndrome is a fungal infection that infects bats during the winter, while they are hibernating. It damages the thin tissue of the wing. That tissue helps the bats with temperature regulation, air exchange, water retention and flight. “Since bats are hibernating, their immune system is suppressed, so they cannot fight the fungus,” said Preston. The fungus causes the bats to wake up from hibernation much more frequently and stay awake longer. This burns through their stored fat too quickly, often times not leaving enough to survive the winter.

White-nose syndrome was first documented in New Hampshire in 2009 during normal winter surveys conducted by Preston, researchers Dr. Scott Reynolds and Dr. Jacques Veilleux, as well as US Fish and Wildlife Service biologist Susi von Oettingen.

One survey this winter found that a mine that previously had 514 bats with three species in 2009, now had no bats. Dr. Veilleux shook his head and said, “I can’t believe we’ve lost so many bats, so quickly. I had some small hope that we might see a bit of a recovery this year; it’s sad that we have experienced a near complete loss of our wintering bats, and really sad to think I likely won’t be around to witness a possible recovery of these populations.” Since bats generally have only one pup a year, it will take many decades for the population to rebound, if they ever do.

Overall, over 90% of little brown and northern long-eared bats in the Northeast have been killed by this disease. The disease has now spread to 23 states and 5 Canadian provinces, killing millions of bats.

Not finding little brown or northern long-eared bats in hibernacula does not mean those species are gone from the state. N.H.’s summer bats fly to hibernacula in Vermont and New York also. “We monitor a couple of little brown bat maternity colonies. These are places where female bats raise their pups. So far, these still have bats and they are producing pups,” said Preston. Maternity colonies in barns and homes are also monitored by homeowners under a citizen science program run by N.H. Fish and Game. Homeowners simply go out at dusk and count the number of bats that exit when it gets dark enough. The survey takes about 20 minutes and details on how to do this, as well as more information on N.H. bats, are found on the Fish and Game website at <http://www.wildlife.state.nh.us/Wildlife/Nongame/bats.html>.

Bat Biology

Bats are the only mammals that engage in truly active flight (other mammals, such as “flying” squirrels, can only glide from tree to tree). They are generally nocturnal, sleeping during the day in sheltered areas called roosts and flying at dusk to forage for insects.

Bats eat insects, millions of them! These include a large number of agricultural and forest pests, as well as pesky mosquitoes. Bats can eat 50% of their own body weight each evening, and even more if they are females with pups. This is the combined weight of over 1,500 mosquitoes! A recent analysis of the value of pest control services provided by bats was at least \$3.7 billion a year.

Bats use echolocation to navigate and to locate prey. As a bat flies, it sends out signals that bounce off of their prey and come back to the bat’s sensitive hearing. Once the bat has pinpointed her prey in this way, she swoops in the direction of the signal that bounced back and catches the insect in her mouth, sometimes using her wings and tail membrane to help.

Bats use a variety of habitats throughout the year. In the summer they need foraging and roosting (resting) habitat. In the winter they must deal with deep cold and no insects for food. Five of our species hibernate to survive, and three migrate south to warmer areas for the winter.

Female bats often have their babies grouped together in a maternity colony. Males roost separately or in small groups in different roosts. They have very low reproductive rates, with females usually producing only one, but sometimes two pups per year. The young are able to fly in about a month, but still depend on the safety of the roost as they learn to forage on their own. Like all baby wild animals, not many make it to adulthood. Bats are long-lived animals, with a lifespan around 20 years in the wild.

In August, bats move out of their summer roosting sites and either fly back to their hibernacula, or migrate south. Bats fly and hunt together in September and October, storing food as body fat, which their bodies will use during the cold months ahead. Mating also occurs during this time, but the female stores the male’s sperm in her body and fertilizes her egg in the spring (“delayed fertilization”). This way she saves her stored fat for herself to survive the winter, and is able to have a healthy pregnancy in the spring when insects are plentiful.

Because there are fewer insects to be found in winter, and because it is so cold, some bats hibernate, from November through April in NH. To hibernate, bats lower their body temperature, metabolism, and breathing rate, and thus are immobile for long periods of time. It is critical that bats not be disturbed during this time, because whenever a bat “wakes up” (even temporarily) from hibernation, its metabolism increases, which uses up precious reserves of fat.

Natural predators of bats include owls when bats are flying at night and animals such as raccoons and ravens if they find bats roosting. ■



Ladies Night Out & Shopping Event!

Friday May 16, 2014
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Each pass entitles the bearer to 2 discounted admissions of \$6 for adults and \$3 for children under 18. Children under 6 free.

CHILDREN'S MUSEUM OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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

CURRIER MUSEUM OF ART

Each pass entitles the bearer to 2 free admissions.

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Free admissions for 2 guests per day.

MUSEUM OF NEW HAMPSHIRE HISTORY

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

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“Becoming an Outdoors-Woman” Wilderness Survival Workshop — June 7 in Holderness

Women who want to learn how to survive in an outdoor emergency situation can sign up for a one-day “Becoming an Outdoors-Woman” (BOW) Wilderness Survival workshop taking place on Saturday, June 7, 2014, from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Owl Brook Hunter Education Center, at 387 Perch Pond Road in Holderness, N.H. Participants must be 18 years of age or older.

Registration is now open. To sign up, fill out a print-and-mail application available at <http://www.nhbow.com>. Workshop fee of \$55 is due with registration and includes program materials, use of equipment, and lunch. Space is limited, so get your application in the mail immediately if you are interested in attending. Only mailed applications will be accepted.

Taught by New Hampshire Fish and Game Department Conservation Officers, the wilderness survival course will help participants learn survival techniques such as how to find wood and build a fire; protect yourself from hypothermia; build a shelter for protection against the elements; signal for help; use knives and tools safely; find and purify a water supply; prepare a meal in the outdoors; and know what should be in your survival kit.

This workshop is a “Beyond BOW” course. These in-depth workshops are designed to expand on the offerings of traditional Becoming an Outdoors-Woman fall and winter programs, helping women gain the skills to participate in outdoor activities on their own.

N.H. Becoming an Outdoors-Woman programs are co-sponsored by the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department (<http://www.wildnh.com>) and the New Hampshire Wildlife Federation (<http://www.nhwhf.org>).

For more information, contact Tina Davenport: 603-271-0495 or Lisa Collins: 603-271-3214. ■

Loudon Farms: Buy Locally!

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

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

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

D.S. Cole Growers
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Hill Top Feeds
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Liliana Flower Farm
140 Beck Road. Perennials and pesticide-free vegetable plants. Wed–Sun 10–5 p.m. www.lilianaflowerfarm.com. 783-9268

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Potpourri Acres
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Sanborn Mills Farm
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The Department of Safety, Boating Education is offering the boating education course to the public at the following locations. There is a **\$30.00 non-refundable fee per person** for the class and because of the limited seating pre-registration is required. Call (603) 293-2037 or (888) 254-2125 to pre-register (**Monday through Friday 8:15 a.m.–4:15 p.m.**). Seating is still available in the following courses:

ONE FULL-DAY SESSION (Saturday)

05/03/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Bedford PD, Bedford
05/03/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Concord DOS, Concord
05/03/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Lebanon DHMC, Lebanon
05/03/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Portsmouth UFC, Portsmouth
05/03/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Windham FD, Windham
05/17/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Bedford PD, Bedford
05/17/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Concord DOS, Concord
05/17/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Gilford Marine Patrol, Gilford
05/17/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Moultonborough PD, Moultonborough
05/17/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Portsmouth UFC, Portsmouth
05/17/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Windham FD, Windham
05/23/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Holderness SLA, Holderness
05/24/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Colebrook Library, Colebrook
05/31/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Bedford PD, Bedford
05/31/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Concord DOS, Concord
05/31/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Moultonborough PD, Moultonborough
05/31/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Portsmouth UFC, Portsmouth
05/31/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Windham FD, Windham
05/31/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Winnisquam Marine, Winnisquam

TWO EVENING SESSIONS (WEEKNIGHTS)

05/05/14 & 05/07/14	06:00–9:30 P.M.	Bridgewater, Bridgewater
05/05/14 & 05/07/14	06:00–9:30 P.M.	Exeter Library, Exeter
05/12/14 & 05/14/14	06:00–9:30 P.M.	Dover HS, Dover

Kids' Corner

The Final Game

By Sophie Nolin

Here is our second submission to "Kids' Corner," a poem by Sophie Nolin, who wrote this in 8th Grade Poetry Club this year at MVMS; teacher Deborah Banaian, advisor.

We welcome submissions from all Loudon's youngsters. Items are subject to approval by the Communications Council.

So we meet again old friend
This time may be the last
Haven't seen you in so long
T'was such a while in the past

You're arrogant and stupid
You haven't foiled my plan
I've still got some cards left
If it is but one last hand

I guess that I was sloppy
And I left an extra clue

Ridiculous you'd be, I thought
To think that it was true

You think that you've tricked me
When it's the other way around
You're right where I want you
Lying wounded on the ground

I guess I have to admit
You have found me out
But which of us is the fisherman
And which of us is the trout?

Around Loudon Word Search!

Find these words relating to Loudon hidden in the puzzle! Words may be forward, backward or diagonal.

- AZNIVE
- BROOKSIDE
- CONFECTION
- ICECREAM
- MAXFIELD
- NASCAR
- RAMSAY
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Mother's Day History

Mother's Day is Sunday, May 11

Contrary to popular belief, Mother's Day was not conceived and fine-tuned in the boardroom of Hallmark. The earliest tributes to mothers date back to the annual spring festival the Greeks dedicated to Rhea, the mother of many deities, and to the offerings ancient Romans made to their Great Mother of Gods, Cybele. Christians celebrated this festival on the fourth Sunday in Lent in honor of Mary, mother of Christ. In England this holiday was expanded to include all mothers and was called Mothering Sunday.

In the United States, Mother's Day started nearly 150 years ago, when Anna Jarvis, an Appalachian homemaker, organized a day to raise awareness of poor health conditions in her community, a cause she believed would be best advocated by mothers. She called it "Mother's Work Day."

Fifteen years later, Julia Ward Howe, a Boston poet, pacifist, suffragist, and author of the lyrics to the "Battle Hymn of the Republic," organized a day encouraging mothers to rally for peace, since she believed they bore the loss of human life more harshly than anyone else.

In 1905 when Anna Jarvis died, her daughter, also named Anna, began a campaign to memorialize the life work of her mother. Legend has it that young Anna remembered a Sunday school lesson that her mother gave in which she said, "I hope and pray that someone, sometime, will found a memorial mother's day. There are many days for men, but none for mothers."

Anna began to lobby prominent businessmen like John Wannamaker, and politicians including Presidents Taft and Roosevelt to support her campaign to create a special day to honor mothers. At one of the first services

organized to celebrate Anna's mother in 1908, at her church in West Virginia, Anna handed out her mother's favorite flower, the white carnation. Five years later, the House of Representatives adopted a resolution calling for officials of the federal government to wear white carnations on Mother's Day. In 1914 Anna's hard work paid off when Woodrow Wilson signed a bill recognizing Mother's Day as a national holiday.

At first, people observed Mother's Day by attending church, writing letters to their mothers, and eventually, by sending cards, presents, and flowers. With the increasing gift-giving activity associated with Mother's Day, Anna Jarvis became enraged. She believed that the day's sentiment was being sacrificed at the expense of greed and profit. In 1923 she filed a lawsuit to stop a Mother's Day festival, and was even arrested for disturbing the peace at a convention selling carnations for a war mother's group. Before her death in 1948, Jarvis is said to have confessed that she regretted ever starting the mother's day tradition.

Despite Jarvis's misgivings, Mother's Day has flourished in the United States. In fact, the second Sunday of May has become the most popular day of the year to dine out, and telephone lines record their highest traffic, as sons and daughters everywhere take advantage of this day to honor and to express appreciation of their mothers.

This information was found at <http://mothers-day.123holiday.net>. ■



Looking For Something For Your Kids To Do This Summer? Join British Challenger Soccer Camp!

By Tammy Bourque, LYAA Soccer Coordinator

While you're making your summer plans, don't forget to register your kids for British Challenger Soccer Camp!!

This year, I've been working with Challenger Sports to bring in an additional coach to work with the "older" kids on more advanced skills. If we can get a good number of kids, they'll make it work for us. They do a great job teaching while throwing in a little fun.

And, remember, it's always more fun with a friend!!

For more information, call Tammy Bourque, LYAA Rec. Soccer Coordinator, at 603-219-4809 or email her at tjbouque@comcast.net. ■



Calling all youth soccer players.....

Challenger Sports British Soccer camp has been invited to host a fantastic week long program with Loudon Youth Athletic Association this coming summer.

With the World Cup in Brazil only a few months away and with around 20 million Americans now playing the sport, the number one soccer company in the United States & Canada, Challenger Sports, has been invited to hold one of their highly regarded "Challenger British Soccer Academy Camps" right here in the growing soccer communities in your area.

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UNH Cooperative Extension to Offer ServSafe Certification Program

This May 14th, UNH Cooperative Extension will be offering a ServSafe program at UNH Cooperative Extension, 315 Daniel Webster Highway, Boscawen, NH, from 8:30 a.m.–5:00 p.m. Cost: \$140 per person. ServSafe® is a one-day food safety training program, designed to share the latest science-based information on food safety and best practices in the industry. This in-depth training is critical for owners, food managers, chefs, and cooks who work in restaurants, schools, hospitals, nursing homes, or specialty food producers who manage their own small businesses. Agricultural producers who are exploring value-added products may find the background ServSafe classes provide helpful.

The ServSafe program is a nation-wide food safety certification program sponsored by the National Restaurant Association Educational Foundation. The program focuses on three key issues related to safe food: personal hygiene, cross contamination and time and temperature issues in the food preparation area. Participants who successfully complete the exam at the end of the training will receive their industry-wide recognized ServSafe Certificate as food safety managers.

When a food service establishment focuses on food safety for their customers, the quality of food improves, costs are lowered, and profits increase.

Deb Maes is a University of New Hampshire Specialist in Food Safety and nationally certified ServSafe Instructor. Maes will teach a program at the Merrimack County Extension Office located at 315 Daniel Webster Highway in Boscawen.

Registration is available on line at <http://bit.ly/1g3GIJh>. Seating is limited. To view other food safety programs being offered across the state go to <https://extension.unh.edu/Food-Service/Education-Programs-Food-Service-Workers-and-Managers>. ■

NH Sheep and Wool Festival talks

Dot Perkins, Livestock Field Specialist, and John Porter, Extension Professor/Specialist, Emeritus from Merrimack County UNH Cooperative Extension will be giving some talks at the 2014 NH Sheep and Wool Festival held at the Deerfield, NH Fairgrounds on Saturday, May 10. All talks will be held in Building A, in the Lecture room.

At 11 a.m.

Dot Perkins will talk about “Using Your Grazing Plan to Optimize Animal Health” — Dot will go over the benefits of different grazing plans, frequency of moves, rest periods for optimal forage and animal health.

At 12 Noon

Dot will talk about “Mixed Species Grazing to Reclaim Old Pastures” — Dot will illustrate the benefits of rotating mixed species of grazers to reclaim old run out pastures. There will be further discussion of the effects of different animals, what order to put them in and what preparation and follow-up is needed.

At 3 p.m.

John Porter will talk about “What to Look for in Buying Quality Hay” — John will review the different types of hay, how age of forage affects nutritional value, methods of testing hay, easy steps to take when determining the quality of the product and what works best for small ruminants.

All of these talks are free; however, there is a fee to get into the NH Sheep and Wool Festival. Many more talks, vendors, and events are planned for the two days of the festival — Saturday, May 10, 9 a.m.–5 p.m. and Sunday, May 11, from 9 a.m.–4 p.m. Sponsored by the NH Sheep and Wool Growers Association.

Adults: \$7.00

Seniors 62 and over: \$5.00

Youth 13–18: \$5.00

Children 12 and under are free

For more information, go to: <http://www.nhswga.com/index.php/sheep-and-wool-festival>. ■



Will Mortgage Rates Actually Rise in 2014?

By Jack Prendiville
Century 21 Thompson Real Estate

No one can be certain when predicting the future, but mortgage rate analysts are expecting rates to climb in 2014.

In their latest forecast, the Mortgage Bankers Association (MBA) predicts that the 30-year fixed rate will reach 4.8 percent by the second quarter of 2014. The MBA further estimates that the mortgage rate will reach 5 percent during the third quarter. This will mark the first time interest rates will have hit 5 percent since 2010.

What is causing the rise in rates?

Those knowledgeable in the industry point to the gradual reduction of the federal government's bond purchasing program as being one of the key reasons for the increase in mortgage rates. The program once accounted for \$85 billion in purchases each month but has now scaled back to \$75 billion a month. It is predicted that interest rates will climb as the purchasing program is continually scaled back. The program is expected to end sometime this year.

What does this mean for home buyers?

While these forecasts are dependent upon the continued downsizing of the bond purchasing program and the strengthening economy, it is expected that investors will find the best mortgage rates early in the year. The home loan market will shift from refinancing loans to purchase loans. Freddie Mac predicts this year will be the first “purchase-dominated market” since 2000.

Many may be tempted to wait until the busy summer home buying season, but the best mortgage buys will likely take place early in the year before rates climb. ■

With the return of nice weather, many people are out walking, jogging, and cycling the roads of Loudon. For everyone's safety, please slow down when passing pedestrians and bikers.

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KENDALL L. PERKINS

Kendall Lee Perkins, 77, of Loudon, died Wednesday, March 26, 2014, following a lengthy illness. He passed away peacefully in the company of his loving children.

Kendall was born Nov. 16, 1936, in Rochester, son of the late Ralph and Olivine (Barry) Perkins. He began his career in the military in November of 1953 when he enlisted in the United States Marine Corps. He served three years of active duty with the Marines, followed by four years inactive and then joined the United States Army in August of 1960. Kendall proudly served his country in Vietnam, Korea and Germany and traveled the world extensively throughout his time with the armed forces. He worked his way up through the ranks during his 20-plus years of service, eventually retiring as first sergeant in April of 1978.

Kendall could fix anything and he was incredibly skilled with small engine repair and electronics. He enjoyed undertaking large projects, such as finding old broken down pieces of heavy equipment, taking them apart and restoring them to working condition. He also once participated in the complete restoration of an antique saw mill. Kendall used these skills and his selflessness to help anyone who needed a hand. He gave of himself endlessly, built homes for his children and repaired vehicles for family and friends, all while never expecting compensation or recognition in return. Kendall enjoyed his solitude and the outdoors and he deeply loved his dogs, often spending his time walking them through the woods.

Kendall is survived by his daughter, Tricia Abbott of Loudon, and his son, Kendall L. Perkins Jr. of Loudon; their former spouses, whom Kendall loved like they were his own children, Jeff Abbott and Shannon Perkins; his grandchildren, Jeff Abbott Jr., Justin Abbott, Kendall W. Perkins and Anna Marie Perkins; his sister, Barbara Gwinn of Las Cruces, N.M.; and his former spouse and close friend, Patricia Perkins.

He was predeceased by his brother, Ralph Perkins; and his very dear cousin, James Langevin.

JOAN R. BUTMAN

Joan Rita (Brown) Butman, 82, of Pine Ridge Road in Loudon, passed away Friday, April 4, 2014, at Concord Hospital, surrounded by her family.

Mrs. Butman was born Jan. 21, 1932, in Bristol, the daughter of the late Harold E. and Pearl M. (Seward) Brown. She grew up in Bristol, graduating from Bristol High School in 1950. Mrs. Butman graduated from Keene State Teachers College in 1952, receiving a degree in English.

She and her husband, Loren P. Butman Sr., lived in Gilford and Mulberry, Fla., before moving to Loudon in 1981. Mrs. Butman was a member of the Alexandria United Methodist Church.

Members of her family include two sons, Loren P. Butman Jr. and his wife, Karlee Kenison, of Concord, and Michael H. Butman; a daughter, Kathi G. Handley and her husband, Glenn, of Bradley, Fla.; a brother, Chandler Brown and his wife, Cora, of Bristol; numerous grandchildren; and nieces and nephews. Mrs. Butman was predeceased by her husband, Loren P. Butman Sr., her son Chandler L. Butman, and two sisters.

Memorial donations may be made to Alexandria United Methodist Church, 12 Washburn Road, Alexandria 03222; or to Pope Memorial SPCA of Concord-Merrimack County, 94 Silk Farm Road, Concord 03301, in memory of Mrs. Butman.

LINDA D. SAUCIER

Linda D. (Garlock) Saucier, 64, of Dogwood Terrace, died Saturday, April 5, 2014, at the Concord Hospital.

Born on Jan. 13, 1950, in Los Angeles, Linda was the daughter of Stephen Garlock of Orlando, Fla. and the late Margaret (Perry) Garlock.

She had lived in both Loudon and Pembroke before becoming a Concord resident in 1983. Having earned an Associate's Degree in Computer Sciences, Linda worked as a computer analyst for the State of NH Dept. of Transportation.

She loved her family and was especially proud of her son, Joshua. She also enjoyed free time painting, and playing cards and hand-held electronic games.

In addition to her father, Linda is survived by her husband of 42 years, Rene Saucier of Concord; her son, Joshua Saucier and his wife, Megan, of Hull, Mass.; her brother Steve Garlock of Orlando, Fla.; and nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers memorial donations should be made to the American Heart Association, PO Box 3049, Syracuse, NY 13220-3049.

BERNICE L. "BUNNY" LORD

Bernice L. "Bunny" Lord, 75, of 239 Mudgett Hill Road, died Friday, April 11, 2014, at Concord Hospital surrounded by loved ones. She lived in Belmont, New Hampshire most of her life.

She was born April 5, 1939, in Rumney, the daughter of Clifford A. and Jeanette (Forrest) Greenwood. Bunny worked for several years for New Hampshire Ball Bearing in Laconia, as well as for Laconia Needle and Belmont Hosiery. She was an organizer of family reunions. She loved the ocean, being in the outdoors, and her dogs. She was an extremely hard worker and strongly enforced family values with a tough exterior, but a loving heart.

She is survived by her husband and loving companion for 36 years, Eugene "Gene" Morrisette of Loudon; her children, Robert O. Lord (and his wife, Lisa) of Belmont, Cindy Morrisette LaPointe of Franklin, Daniel Morrisette of Belmont, Gary Morrisette (and his wife, Katherine) of Loudon and Scott Morrisette (and his wife, Juliana) of Sanbornton; as well as many grandchildren and great-grandchildren; five brothers, Eugene Greenwood of Maine, Raymond Greenwood of Belmont, Ellsworth "Butch" Greenwood of Vermont, Alfred Greenwood of Laconia and Paul Greenwood of Claremont; and three sisters, Lorena Herbert of Cullman, Ala., Theresa Hammond of Franklin, and Mary Dubois of Laconia; and many nieces and nephews. In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by two brothers, Clayton "Sonny" Greenwood and Leo Greenwood; and former husband Norman Lord.





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Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — March 18, 2014

Present: Chairman Krieger, Selectman Ives and Selectman Bowles.

Also present was Road Agent Dave Rice, Fire Chief Rick Wright, Deputy Fire Chief Bill Lake, State Senator John Reagan, and Police Chief Bob Fiske.

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

Selectman Bowles moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Monday, March 10, 2014 as written. Seconded by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board met with Road Agent Dave Rice.

Mr. Rice said they are working on culverts, trying to keep them from freezing.

Mr. Rice said he would like to post the roads tomorrow. The Board agreed that Mr. Rice can post the roads starting tomorrow at 3:30 p.m. until further notice.

Mr. Rice said he would like to start getting quotes for the new truck that was approved at Town Meeting. The Board agreed that he can start looking however the money won't be available until July 1.

Selectman Ives asked Mr. Rice to continue filling potholes.

The Board met with Fire Chief Rick Wright.

Chief Wright said the ambulance that was approved at Town meeting has been ordered, the current delivery schedule is seven months.

The Board met with Police Chief Bob Fiske.

Chief Fiske said beginning late afternoon tomorrow he wants to run School Street one way because there will be parking on School Street for DARE pizza night and they anticipate a big crowd. The Board agreed to the one way.

Selectman Bowles thanked the department heads for their attendance and support at Town Meeting on Saturday. Selectman Ives agreed saying that a good budget was put together; the town recognized that and approved it.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received the ESMI Self-Report for January 2014.

The Board received a check from the Loudon Freewill Baptist Church for 2013 Town Hall expenses.

The Board received a letter from NH Division of Fire Safety regarding fireworks. The letter will be forwarded to Chief Wright and Chief Fiske.

The Board received a Merrimack County Public Hearing notice to consider the 2014 Budget Appropriations for Merrimack County. The meeting is Monday, March 24th at 6:00 p.m.

The Board received miscellaneous correspondence.

The Board received the following reminders:

Wednesday, March 19, 2014 at 9:00 a.m. — Economics Chapter Committee of Master Plan will meet.

Thursday, March 20, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. — Planning Board Meeting.

Chairman Krieger opened the Public Hearing with NHDOT Regarding safety and traffic signals at the Route 106/Staniels Rd./Josiah Bartlett Rd Intersection and recognized: Keith Cota, Chief Project Manager, Trent Zane, Highway Design Supervisor, Christine Perron, Bureau of Environment, and Susan Soucie, Assistant District 3 Engineer. Mr. Cota explained that they would like to give an overview of the project at Route 106, Staniels Road and Josiah Bartlett Road intersection. He said there is a safety issue at this intersection with a history of accidents. Mr. Cota said that between 2002–2011 there were 19 accidents at that intersection, two that resulted in fatalities and seven with serious injuries. Mr. Cota said that in 1994 they developed a Master plan for 106 from Concord to Belmont. He said since then they have done several small projects. Mr. Cota said in 2012 they took a look at the corridor and traffic patterns to determine if they still need that larger project that was identified in 1994. It was determined that the section of road from 129 to 393 needs to be at least 3 lanes wide; one lane in each direction with a center turn lane. He explained there are some intersections where a traffic signal should be considered with five lanes. Mr. Cota said there are funds available through the Federal Highway Safety Improvement Program and after evaluating this intersection it was determined that it qualifies for the program, because of that the project can be moved forward sooner. Mr. Zane said they studied the crash history to determine how signals would be a benefit. He said all the work will

be done within the existing right of ways and shouldn't affect utilities. Christine Perron from Department of Environment explained that they are responsible for investigating possible impacts to natural, cultural and social environments. Ms. Perron asked that if anyone knows of any impact this project would have historically that they contact her. Mr. Cota said that this project will take the three lanes that they have, widen it to five lanes and add traffic signals. He said that if they get support for the project they will move forward with getting bids in mid-October, award the contract in November which will give the contractor time to get the signals, which have a four month lead time, and start construction in the spring. They are hoping the intersection will be completed by July 1, 2015. Mr. Cota said the cost of this project will be about ¾ of a million dollars. Chief Fiske said he is 110% behind the signals, he asked about the speed limit. Mr. Cota said that it is 55 now typically they would look at 40–45 mph at traffic signals; it hasn't been determined yet by the engineers. Chief Fiske requested that a camera be put in at that intersection; they have them at 393, Old Shaker and 129 currently. Larry Hemphill from Staniels Road expressed his concern about accidents and is definitely in favor of the lights. Karen Bast from Loudon said she definitely is in favor of the lights. She asked if there is any way to lower the speed limit before the lights are installed. Ms. Bast said she is also concerned about the Chichester Road intersection; it's dangerous as well as the Dunkin Donuts entrance/exit during commuting hours. She suggested that lowering the speed limit all the way from Route 129 lights through the Staniels Road intersection to 45 would be appropriate. She also would love to see lights at Chichester Road. Mr. Cota said there is set criteria as to how they set speed limits; he said he will bring it to the attention of the traffic engineer. Fire Chief Rick Wright said that as mentioned in his letter to Commissioner Clement in September the Fire Department is requesting that the traffic lights include an Opticom Infrared System for emergency vehicle use. Selectman Ives asked if this traffic signal would break traffic up enough to eliminate some of the congestion at Chichester Road. Mr. Cota said there might be very minimal benefit because of the distance between the two intersections. Selectman Bowles expressed his concern about the speed and would like to see it lowered. He suggested it

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Winter Fish Kill — Not All Fish Survive The Winter

The New Hampshire Fish and Game Department and the Department of Environmental Services recently reported that a number of dead fish were discovered as the ice receded from Hopkinton Lake (also known as Elm Brook Pool) in Hopkinton, NH, this Spring. Such finds are not uncommon, say state biologists.

Here's how it happens: Ice, sometimes coupled with thick snow, effectively caps off waterbodies in the winter. The result is that ice-covered waters are cut off from atmospheric oxygen, and the intensity of light is reduced, minimizing the ability of algae that live in the water to photosynthesize and produce oxygen. With reduced oxygen supplies and organisms living in the water still consuming oxygen (fish, invertebrates, bacteria), low oxygen conditions can develop during the winter months. Ultimately, if oxygen levels become too low, a "winter kill," or more specifically, a winter fish kill, is possible.

Although these conditions are more common in small, shallow (less than 10 foot depth) farm ponds throughout the state, the long winter and late ice-out this year may result in more frequent occurrences of winter fish kills on larger, shallow lakes and ponds, particularly those with relatively high levels of nutrients.

Be aware that as the ice continues to recede on small, shallow waterbodies in New Hampshire, you might find numerous dead fish washed up on or near shorelines. A complete die-off of an entire fishery is highly unlikely, and, therefore, winter fish kills are typically not a serious problem in most water bodies, as a sufficient number of fish survive to repopulate the pond or lake. Fortunately, as the ice continues to melt, oxygen levels will be fully restored as plants begin to grow and photosynthesize, and as wind-driven air exchange resumes across the exposed surface of the waterbody. Any remaining dead fish can be picked up and buried or disposed of in the trash. ■



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Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — March 25, 2014

Present: Chairman Ives, Selectman Bowles and Selectman Krieger.

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

Selectman Krieger moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, March 18, 2014 as written. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received a copy for each of the current expenditure report.

The Board received appointment papers for their review and consideration. Chairman Ives explained that these are for committees, trustees and commissions; he thanked them all for the time they put in. Selectman Krieger made a motion to appoint the following: Emergency Management — Richard D. Wright, Co-Director; Conservation Commission — Daniel Geiger, Member, Term Expires 2017 and Pauline Touzin, Alternate, Term Expires 2015. Library Trustee — Herbert Huckins, Jr., Alternate, Term Expires 2015, Marilyn Sylvester, Alternate, Term Expires 2015. Recreation Committee — Alicia Grimaldi, Member, Term Expires 2015, Amanda Masse, Member, Term Expires 2015, Melissa Minery, Member, Term Expires 2015, Jennifer Pfeifer, Member, Term Expires 2015, Kimberly Therrien, Member, Term Expires 2015. Solid Waste/Recycling Com-

mittee — Steve Bennett, Member, Term Expires 2015, Lee Ann Childress, Member, Term Expires 2015, Barbara Parent, Member, Term Expires 2015, David Rice, Member, Term Expires 2015. Tax Collector's Office — Deirdre Littlefield, Deputy Tax Collector, Term Expires 2015. Town Clerk's Office — Helen McNeil, Deputy Town Clerk, Term Expires 2015. Welfare Officer — Roger Maxfield, Welfare Officer, Term Expires 2015. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectmen Bowles and Krieger agreed with Chairman Ives in thanking these volunteers for all the time they put in; they are very much appreciated.

The Board received payment agreements from the Tax Collector for their consideration.

The Board received an email from a property owner regarding property tax late fees. The Board will ask the tax payer to meet with them to discuss it.

The Board received a memo from the Town Assessor regarding a Barn Preservation Easement. The Board will send the owner a reminder letter.

The Board received a request for an extension for filing of Wood Cut Operation #13-271-21. The Board approved the request for the extension.

The Board received a copy of the February property transfers.

The Board received two Driver Certifications from the Cate Van Committee for their review. The Board thanks the two new drivers John Campbell and Peter Barry for volunteering their time.

The Board received a fee waiver request from Concord Visiting Nurse Association; they want to use the barn for a six-week program. Selectman Krieger said he has no problem as long as it doesn't interfere with a regularly scheduled program in the barn. Chairman Ives and Selectman Bowles agreed.

The Board received a letter from Concord Hospital regarding DOT exams. The information will be forwarded to Chief Wright and Road Agent Rice.

The Board received CDFA Grant information.

The Board received miscellaneous correspondence.

The Board received the following reminder:

Thursday, March 27, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. is the Loudon Zoning Board Meeting.

Selectman Krieger said that he would like to discuss the rental fee for the Community Building (Charlie's Barn). He said the fee is \$50.00; they have to get the carpets cleaned, tables have been left dirty so he would suggest raising the rental fee to \$100.00 for anyone not from Loudon. Chairman Ives said it's a cheap place to rent and people are finding out about it. Selectman Krieger said \$50.00 probably doesn't even cover the cost of heating it. Selectman Bowles agreed. Selectman Krieger made a motion to raise the rental fee amount for Charlie's barn for people outside of Loudon to \$100.00 and the security deposit to remain at \$150.00. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.

Chairman Ives recognized members of the recreation committee; Amanda Masse, Alicia Grimaldi, Jenn Pfeifer, and Laurie Jaquith. Also in attendance was Shawn Jones.

Chairman Ives stated that the Board received the email with the committee's concerns about safety and vandalism. He said that with the Legion building gone and some trees removed he hoped that would deter some. Laurie said they got a quote from Leo Mulleavey of Mulleavey Electric to install a new safer, up to code lighting system in the gazebo. Laurie said that due to their concerns they wonder if they should get some sort of surveillance. Selectman Krieger said that surveillance equipment is good if someone is watching it. Laurie said that they thought if it recorded and there is damage they could go back and look at the tapes. Chairman Ives asked where they would store the recorder and equipment. Alicia said that she thought the police station already had something. Selectman Krieger said it has to be watched. He also explained that there are laws about videotaping, they would have to look into that part of

it. Chairman Ives said they would ask the town attorney what is allowed. Selectman Krieger agreed that the surveillance is a great idea. Mr. Jones said even if it's just a game camera with a motion detector it's something. Chairman Ives stated that he agrees the lights need to be done. Selectman Bowles said that with the weather changing and kids getting more active they will ask the Chief to have his officers make a few more trips though there in the evenings. Jenn mentioned that the rec committee would like to see space for their use in the new town office building. She said maybe meeting, classroom, and kitchen space. Selectman Bowles said that ideas are going around about Charlie's Barn and the old town office building so there might be space somewhere. Selectman Bowles suggested that the rec committee talk to Chief Wright about using the kitchen at the Fire Department. Selectman Krieger agreed that would be a great idea; there is a classroom right outside the kitchen. Selectman Krieger explained that the plan for the new building is to put a water fountain and bathrooms on the outside so they can get rid of the portable toilets. The Board thanked the committee for all their work.

Selectman Krieger moved to go into a nonpublic session per RSA 91-A: 3, II (c) at 6:47 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Bowles. Roll call vote: Krieger — yes; Ives — yes; Bowles — yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Krieger made a motion to seal the minutes for five years because it is determined that divulgence of this information likely would affect adversely the reputation of any person other than a member of this board. Seconded by Chairman Ives. All in favor. Roll call vote: Krieger — yes; Ives — yes; Bowles — yes. Motion carries. Selectman Krieger moved to come out of executive session at 7:06 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Bowles. Roll call vote: Krieger — yes; Ives — yes; Bowles — yes. All in favor. Motion carries.

Chairman Ives said that the Loudon Fire Department is celebrating their 75th anniversary this year. They will be doing a series of fundraisers throughout the year with the first one being a spaghetti dinner April 26th from 5–7 p.m. Chairman Ives said it would be great to see the whole town get behind these fundraising efforts.

Chairman Ives also offered condolences to our Town Treasurer Melanie Kiley whose husband Patrick Kiley our deputy treasurer passed away earlier this week; he will be sorely missed.

Selectman Bowles moved to adjourn at 7:08 P.M. Seconded by Selectman Krieger. All in favor. Motion carried.

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be lowered and strictly enforced prior to this construction. Mr. Cota said he will bring that message to the traffic engineer and also ask him to meet with the Selectman regarding that. Mr. Cota said that from what he has heard there is unanimous support to move this project forward so that is the position they will be taking.

Chairman Krieger clarified a quote that was in the Concord Monitor after town meeting he said he never gave out an amount of \$5.18 as the amount we would be going up on. He said he contacted the Monitor and they've agreed to disagree on that. Chairman Krieger said he never gave an amount.

Selectman Bowles made a motion to appoint Selectman Ives as the Board of Selectmen Chairman for the ensuing year.

Seconded by Chairman Krieger. Selectman Ives accepted the nomination. All in favor. Motion carried.

Chairman Ives thanked everyone that came out to Town Meeting, a lot was accomplished in a short amount of time. Selectman Bowles thanked the voters for coming out and having the confidence in the budget to vote it through. Selectman Krieger thanked the Boy and Girl Scouts for being there.

Chairman Ives moved to adjourn at 7:26 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.

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PLEASE NOTE: BOTH PLANNING AND ZONING MINUTES ARE DRAFT MINUTES, I.E., THEY HAVE NOT BEEN APPROVED YET. For a copy of the approved minutes, please contact the Planning/Zoning Office after their monthly meetings (798-4540).

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

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

Both Boards meet at the Community Building. All meetings are open to the public.



Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — April 1, 2014

Present: Chairman Ives, Selectman Bowles and Selectman Krieger.

Also present was Road Agent Dave Rice.

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

Selectman Bowles moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, March 25, 2014 as written. Seconded by Selectman Krieger. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board met with Road Agent Dave Rice.

Mr. Rice said they have started shimming the major bumpy parts of the dirt roads. He said they can't start grading yet due to the ice that is still on the sides of the roads.

Mr. Rice said they have been patching the holes that are dry.

Mr. Rice said he is going to talk to someone from the state about what to spray on the Wales Bridge Road bridge to stop the uprights from rusting more before they paint them.

Chairman Ives said that he thought they had asked Jay's Auto to not unload cars on Wales Bridge Road. He said it is still being done. Selectman Bowles said he is pretty sure that the agreement was made that they would unload in their parking lot. Chairman Ives will speak to Police Chief/Code Enforcement Officer Fiske about it.

Mr. Rice said they have removed the plow wings. Chairman Ives asked if we are all set with sand. Mr. Rice said he should be.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received a copy of the 2014 Town Meeting minutes.

The Board received two property tax payment agreements. The Board signed them both.

The Board received a request for an extension for Intent to Cut Operation #13-271-15-T. The Board will take this under advisement.

The Board received an invitation from the State of NH to a Pre-Construction Conference for 106 paving to be held on April 21, 2014 at 1:00 p.m. A copy will be forwarded to Chief Fiske and Road Agent Rice.

The Board received a flyer from Nancy Hendy regarding a meeting with State Representatives. Representatives Howard Mofett, Priscilla Lockwood and Lorrie Carey will meet with interested residents at the library on Saturday, April 12 at 10:00 a.m. to discuss legislative issues and pending bills.

The Board received an invitation to the Primex Annual Conference information.

The Board received a thank you card from Millennium Running for allowing them to hold their event.

The Board received notice from Chief Wright that the fire engine that was being leased to Chichester is back; the lease is concluded.

The Board received miscellaneous correspondence.

The Board received the following reminders:

Thursday, April 10, 2014 at 1:15 p.m. is a Traffic Control Plan Meeting.

Saturday, April 12, 2014 from 8 a.m.—12 p.m. is Household Hazardous Waste Collection day at the Transfer Station.

Saturday, April 10, 2014 at 10:00 a.m. there is a meeting with State Representatives at the library.

Chairman Ives recognized Susan Pirnie, President and Katherine Wallace, Vice President of the Board of Directors for Freedom Hill Cooperative. Chairman Ives explained that the Board is moving forward with taking property. He explained people are delinquent on their taxes to the point where it's a detriment to the rest of the town that do pay their taxes. Chairman Ives explained that they are meeting with the three parks to discuss what will happen when a property is deeded. Selectman Krieger explained that the person will be served to be evicted and the property will be turned over to the Town of Loudon. Chairman Ives explained that the town doesn't want to be paying a large monthly park rent so they want to turn these properties over as soon as possible. Selectman Krieger asked if Freedom Hill would be interested in purchasing any of the homes. Ms. Pirnie said absolutely not. Chairman Ives said that with the deadline looming people are coming in and setting up payment plans. Selectman Krieger said they do not want to take homes but it's necessary. Discussion ensued regarding how the process will work. Ms. Pirnie said they will work with the Selectman as much as they can to make this process go as smoothly as possible.

Chairman Ives recognized Sue Witham and Ken Lorden from KOS Manufactured Housing Community. Chairman Ives explained that they are meeting with the mobile home park representatives to discuss the deeding of property due to non payment of taxes. Chairman Ives asked if Ms. Witham would want the mobile homes removed if they went to deed. She said she would not, but there is a process that any new owner would have to go through as far as credit checks etc. Selectman Krieger explained that they want to work as a team with the mobile home parks to make this go as smoothly as possible. Ms. Witham said she would be very happy to work with the Board.

Chairman Ives clarified that the Board is not just taking mobile homes; there is commercial property, private land, anyone who is not paying their taxes. Selectman Bowles explained that they are not looking at values they are looking at delinquent taxes. Chairman Ives said that they have sent letters, signed payment agreements and are trying to work with people before they take the properties.

Selectman Krieger moved to adjourn at 7:07 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.

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Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — April 8, 2014

Present: Chairman Ives, Selectman Bowles and Selectman Krieger.

Also present was Dave Powelson, Zoning Board, Stan Prescott, Planning Board, Deputy Fire Chief Bill Lake, Fire Chief Rick Wright, and Police Chief Bob Fiske.

Chairman Ives called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Selectman Krieger moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, April 1, 2014 as written. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.

Chairman Ives opened the Board of Permit.

Chief Fiske submitted a Hawker and Peddler permit for NHMS for signatures.

Chief Fiske submitted a Hawker and Peddler permit for NHMS Children's Charities for signatures.

Chief Fiske submitted a Hawker and Peddler permit for Rymes Speedway Convenience for signatures. He explained that it exactly the same as last year. The same vendors and the same plan.

Chief Fiske asked for a copy of the report that was done for parking compliance during last year's race weekends.

Chief Fiske submitted a business license for NHMS for the Camping World RV Sales 301 on July 13, 2014 for the Selectman to sign.

Chief Fiske submitted a current building permit list. Chairman Ives asked if Donna had a copy of the list. Chief Fiske said she does.

Chairman Ives closed the Board of Permit.

The Board met with Chief Rick Wright.

Chief Wright submitted a memo regarding repairs needed on the ladder truck. He explained that the truck did not pass inspection; it needs significant repairs, his suggestion is to not put money into it, park it and ask the town to purchase a used one next year. Deputy Lake explained that Concord is on automatic now. Selectman Bowles asked how long they will do that. Chief Wright said they would probably do it until Loudon gets a new truck. Selectman Bowles asked Chief Wright about the capital reserve fund money in the account. Chief Wright said they have \$421,000.00. Deputy Lake said he believes they will be able to find a good used one next year for what they have in the CRF and not have to ask the town for more money. Chairman Ives said he would like to think about this, he asked Chief Wright to put together a plan for mutual aid and the races and they will discuss it again next week. Selectman Bowles said he doesn't see the point in dumping more money into this truck. Selectman Krieger said if he was a fireman he wouldn't want to be on this truck.

Chief Wright and the Board discussed when funds approved at town meeting will be available for a purchase.

Deputy Chief Lake said that he went to the funerals of Lieutenant Ed Walsh and Firefighter Michael Kennedy in Boston. He said it was an amazing tribute; all 50 states were represented as well as a good part of Canada and he heard people came from as far away as Australia. Deputy Lake said he heard there was something like 30,000 firefighters there. The Selectman thanked Deputy Lake for going and representing Loudon.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received the April 2014 invoice from Merrimack Valley School District in the amount of \$623,048.71.

The Board received a request to change a road name. The post office has asked MDP Development to change the name of Sunflower Circle, making it a continuation of Daffodil Road. Road Agent Dave Rice has agreed to the change. The Selectman agreed with the change as well.

The Board received information regarding Trustees of Trust Funds Seminars.

The Board received a copy of the John O. Cate Van Association February 27, 2014 meeting minutes.

The Board received a notice of Public Hearing from Town of Sanbornton regarding installation of new antennas on an existing cell tower.

The Board received miscellaneous correspondence.

The Board received the following reminders:

Thursday, April 10th at 1:15 p.m. — TCP Meeting.

Saturday, April 12th from 8 a.m.—12 p.m. — Household Hazardous Waste Collection day at the transfer station.

Saturday, April 12th at 10:00 a.m. — Meeting with State Representatives at the library.

Chairman Ives recognized Jerry Gappens from NHMS. Mr. Gappens said he wanted to update the Selectman on some things that are happening in the state legislature and how it pertains to the speedway and Loudon. Mr. Gappens said there is a hearing Thursday regarding senate bill 366 that is for two gaming licenses; one small and one large. Mr. Gappens said that Scott Spradling is with him and explained that Scott has a lot of expertise in this area. Mr. Gappens said that he is in support of the bill and if it passes he would like to explore the Speedway as a venue for the smaller license casino. Mr. Gappens said he recognizes that if this were to happen it would have to go through the town. He explained that the bill requires license fees and also requires a 225 million dollar capital investment in building the facility which could raise significant tax revenue for the town. Mr. Spradling explained that the host community receives 3% of the net machine revenue and the county receives 1% of the net machine revenue.

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enue. Mr. Gappens explained that the bill passed the senate 15-9. Selectman Krieger asked if he has any idea how many jobs this could create. Mr. Gappens said about 460 not all full-time. Selectman Krieger asked if that includes the hotel. Mr. Gappens said it does. Chairman Ives asked how long it will take for a decision to be made about where the casinos will be located if it passes the house. Mr. Spradling said they are anticipating nine months to a year to get through all the processes before construction begins. He explained that as a first step there has to be a formal referendum vote by the citizens of a community which would require a town meeting. Selectman Krieger asked about the physical features of the casino. Mr. Gappens said they would build it to fit in with the area, they are talking about locating it on the back stretch or the turn two area but haven't really gotten into that yet. Chairman Ives asked Mr. Gappens to keep them informed as things move forward.

Chairman Ives recognized the following from Presidential Pines Co-op: Linda Nelson, Treasurer, Ken Roketenetz, President, Lisa Pelletier, Operations Manager/Secretary and Stacy Call, Vice President. Chairman Ives explained that if they want to go into non-public session they could. Ms. Nelson said they don't need to as this is more of an informational meeting. Chairman Ives explained that they have met with the other two mobile home parks in town. He explained that they are not picking on mobile home parks, people have been delinquent on their taxes and it's gotten to the point where the Board needs to do something about it. Chairman Ives asked if they sell a property is there is an approval process that a new owner would have to go through and how long that process takes. They explained that it takes about two weeks. Selectman Krieger said they discussed the town paying a reduced monthly park rent with the other parks and asked if that was something they could do with this park. He explained that the plan is to get rid of the units as fast as possible but it will take at least three months. Chairman Ives said that he has a list of four properties in their park that they will be deeding as of right now. The co-op said they will work with the town.

The Board recognized Ian Mitchell from the audience. Mr. Mitchell did not want to go into non-public session with the Board. He discussed his property taxes with the Board. The Board thanked Mr. Mitchell for coming in and discussing this with them.

Selectman Bowles made a motion to extend the Intent to Cut for Operation #13-271-15-T. Seconded by Selectman Krieger. All in favor. Motion carried.

Selectman Bowles moved to adjourn at 7:25 P.M. Seconded by Selectman Krieger. All in favor. Motion carried.

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Planning Board Meeting Minutes — March 20, 2014

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

Attendance:

Chairman Tom Dow, Vice Chairman Stan Prescott, George Saunderson, Tom Moore, Alternate Bob Ordway, Ex-Officio Dustin Bowles

Bob Ordway was appointed as a voting member. Bob Butler represented the Conservation Commission and John Reese represented the Fire Department.

Acceptance of Minutes:

February 20, 2014 Regular Meeting — Tom Moore made a motion to approve the minutes as written; seconded by George Saunderson. All were in favor.

Discussion:

Aaron Holt — Mr. Holt purchased Speedway Self Storage and would like to continue parking cars during major race events as has been done by the previous owner. He was advised to submit a parking layout plan per the fire department's specifications.

Joanne Sanborn — Ray Dumond spoke on behalf of Mrs. Sanborn. Mr. Dumond explained that Mrs. Sanborn owns two parcels, one with her home and the other being vacant. He said the vacant lot has the required frontage to be a buildable lot but it would be a long, costly access to develop so she would like to have that lot's access over her driveway. They feel this would make the vacant lot more marketable. Mr. Dumond explained that the access to the vacant lot would be 350' on the right-of-way used by Mrs. Sanborn and 150' on her own property. It would cross to the 48.76 acre vacant lot. He mentioned that an access from the road into the vacant lot would involve some wet area. Tom Dow asked if the right-of-way used by Mrs. Sanborn is over Mr. Epp's property. Mr. Dumond said that was correct. Mr. Dow asked if Mr. Epp is aware of this proposal. Mr. Dumond said he is very much aware of it and is fine with it, in fact Mr. Epp feels it would be the best solution because of the danger at the lot's own access. Bob Ordway asked if they would block off the vacant lot's 50' frontage access. Mr. Dumond said they would not. He said that would be left for a new owner to decide as they could decide to put in a driveway at some point. Dustin Bowles said he would want a letter from Mr. Epp for the record. John Reese said the fire department's concern would be the 9-1-1 address which would be based on the lot's frontage, yet the access would be at #100's right-of-way. There was discussion about the numbering of Mrs. Sanborn's lot not matching where her access is and potential issues with this proposed access. It was noted that the access would cross the lot's side setback so ZBA approval would be needed. Mrs. Sanborn was advised to see the ZBA, the fire department, and the road agent regarding the address. Mr. Reese said the access

would need to be very clearly marked if approved.

Old Business:

Application #14-01, Bumfagon, LLC — *Lot Line Adjustment on Bumfagon Road in the AFP District, Map 52, Lots 5 & 5-1.* Web Stout of FWS Land Surveying represented the applicant. John & Donna Reardon, Jack Reardon, Erin Lambert, and Mark Plantier were present. Tom Moore and Tom Dow recused themselves from this matter as direct abutters. Stan Prescott stepped in as acting chairman.

It was noted that this matter was tabled last month to allow the parties to agree on the movement of some lines. Mr. Stout pointed out that Lot 5 is now exactly five acres and showed a line that was moved approximately 24' to the north. He noted that he has to update one abutter on the plan as that property sold between notification and meetings. Mr. Stout stated that approximately seven acres will go back to the large parcel as a result of this lot line adjustment which is by court order and all parties are in agreement. The larger lot, Lot 5-1, will have a total of 239.03 acres and a total of 746' of frontage.

Abutter Tom Moore asked if a pin would be set where the new line crosses the stone wall. Mr. Stout said his concern is that some would see that as a corner of the lot. Hearing no further questions from the public, Acting Chairman Prescott closed the hearing to the public and opened it to the Board for discussion. *Dustin Bowles moved to accept the application as complete; seconded by George Saunderson. All were in favor.* There were no questions from the Board. Dustin Bowles made a motion to approve the application as presented; seconded by Bob Ordway. All were in favor.

Tom Moore and Tom Dow returned to the table.

New Business:

Application #14-02, Greenpeace Nominnee Trust — *Major Site Development on Route 106 in the C/I and RR Districts, Map 61, Lot 2.* Jeff Lewis of Northpoint Engineering represented the applicant. Applicant Dave Pritchard and abutter NHMS representative John Zudell were present.

Mr. Lewis gave an overview of the conceptual consultation done previously with the Board, the layout of the land, meetings with the Conservation Commission, site walk done with the Conservation Commission and Zoning Board, and Zoning Board approvals. He showed exhibits of the buildable area as it is and with the ZBA approvals which gave an increase to 4.62 acres in buildable area. Mr. Lewis reviewed a past conceptual plan that showed the lot's development potential and one that showed parking areas with possible future development. He recapped the ZBA approvals as follows: variance for driveway off the heavier traveled road, variance for work in steep slopes,

variance for ground disturbance within the wetland buffer, and variance for filling of wetlands. He stated that they applied to DES for a wetland permit last summer and that has been submitted with this application.

Mr. Lewis stated that this phase is for the parking area only. He said it would have a paved access off Route 106 and would be gravel on two tiers. He said they have submitted to DES for an Alteration of Terrain permit and have submitted to DOT for a driveway permit.

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

Mr. Lewis explained the fully designed drainage system on the parcel, pointing out some of the areas.

Chairman Dow read a waiver for Article 13.4.9 (e). *Bob Ordway moved to approve the request; Stan Prescott seconded the motion with the condition that they know they have to come back for any further development. All were in favor.*

Chairman Dow read a waiver for Article 13.4.9 (g). *Tom Moore made a motion to grant the waiver based on the intended use as presented; seconded by George Saunderson. All were in favor.*

Chairman Dow read a waiver for Article 13.4.10 (a-f). There was discussion on the topography of this and the abutting lot which would make a cross access not really feasible. Mr. Lewis said a future developer would probably ask for the same waiver. George Saunderson asked John Reese if the fire department would want a cross access. Mr. Reese said it would not be necessary as long as they can get around the full building at the time of development. *Stan Prescott made a motion to approve the waiver as it applies to this application; seconded by George Saunderson. All were in favor.*

Chairman Dow read a waiver for Article 13.5.4. *George Saunderson moved to grant the waiver; seconded by Stan Prescott. All were in favor.*

Chairman Dow read a waiver for Article 23.12.5. *Stan Prescott moved to grant the waiver as agreed to by the Conservation Commission and Zoning Board; seconded by Tom Moore. All were in favor.*

The Board reviewed the full set of plans and approvals. Tom Dow asked if visually from the road there was any intention to change anything, noting that there are a lot of trees along there. Mr. Lewis said there is a 150' depth of trees that will not be changed where most of it is very wet.

Tom Dow clarified that the intention of this application and plan is for the function of site development and that the parking permit is a separate process. Tom Moore asked if there would be any signage or lighting. Mr. Lewis said there would not be as part of this, noting that anything more than

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being presented would have to come back. Stan Prescott asked if they are anticipating summer construction. Mr. Lewis said Mr. Pritchard has to wait for the snow to be gone and the wetland levels to subside. He said he would like to have it ready for the first race.

Tom Moore pointed out notes about temporary erosion control. Mr. Lewis said that would be used during construction to stabilize the areas; once stable with grass and packed areas, the temporary controls could come out. Stan Prescott noted that the silt fence on the NE side is not closed up. Mr. Lewis explained the way silt fence is used and the drainage in the area. Tom Moore asked about the gravel. Mr. Lewis said it would be crushed on top of bank run, 6 on 12. Tom Dow addressed the planting detail and asked if they would really be doing those. Mr. Lewis said the Conservation Commission asked for some plantings in an area real close to the wetland. It was noted that the planting locations are not shown; this will be corrected.

Tom Moore asked about the design standard for the retaining wall. Mr. Lewis explained that they will not know exactly what will be needed until they get in and see what the ledge is like. He said it would probably be a rock wall, 2'-4' at the most. He explained the requirement for wetland protection; they are not allowed to impact it any more than the permit is approved for. Dave Pritchard stated that he has Weaver Brothers do all of his work, and they are familiar with all of the State requirements and will do good work.

Bob Butler asked if the buildable area and drainage stay as shown in the next phase when developed further. Mr. Lewis said someone developing would have to come in with their plan. He said they have pretty much maxed out to what DES would permit. He said he feels the drainage system would be permanent, but if anyone wanted to enlarge they would have to go back through the process.

Stan Prescott noted that the landscape plan is stamped but the existing conditions plan is not. Mr. Lewis said they will provide stamped final plans. Tom Moore asked about the design standards for the detention pond. He asked if it was designed for this

pervious plan or for an impervious plan at that time. Mr. Lewis said it was sized to provide treatment of water from that buildable area, and a developer would probably have to provide additional detention, maybe under a paved parking lot. He said the current plan is sized for this use. Tom Dow asked if it is anticipated that the ledge will be face ledge. Mr. Lewis said they will know better once they get in there, but yes. It was noted that water flow arrows should be shown at the driveway.

John Zudell asked how many cars can be parked on this lot. Mr. Lewis said 184 spaces are shown on the plan but they will have to redo the plan to meet the parking permit requirements at the time of applying for the permit.

Stan Prescott said this is good utilization of the lot. Tom Moore said he was impressed that they could make something of the piece. Chairman Dow closed the hearing to the public and opened it to the Board only.

There was a review of corrections/outstanding items needed. *Tom Moore made a motion to approve the application with the following conditions: 1) correct typographical errors, 2) show planting locations, 3) show arrows for drainage along 106, 4) Alteration of Terrain permit, 5) DOT permit, 6) redraw level spreader at #1 detention pond, and 7) surveyor stamp on existing conditions page; seconded by George Saunderson. All were in favor.*

Board Discussion:

Master Plan update — 1) The Board reviewed a notice to be submitted to *The Ledger* about the upcoming visioning session scheduled for May 10th. It was agreed to send it as written. 2) CNHRPC has designed a website on the MP update and has asked the Board's preference for posting the site. It was agreed that the information should be directly on the Town's website rather than CNHRPC's, making it more accessible to residents. 3) Stephanie Alexander is ready to begin work on the Natural Features chapter. Four or five committee members are needed. Donna will contact Stephanie for meeting time preferences. 4) A contract between CNHRPC and the Town for the update was reviewed. A correction will be made to the chairman of the Selectmen and copies will be signed.

Election of Officers:

Stan Prescott made a motion to nominate Tom Dow as Chairman; seconded by George Saunderson. All were in favor. Mr. Dow accepted the position.

George Saunderson moved to nominate Stan Prescott as Vice Chairman; seconded by Tom Dow. All were in favor. Mr. Prescott accepted.

Dustin Bowles moved to appoint Bob Ordway as an Alternate for one year; seconded by Stan Prescott. All were in favor. Mr. Ordway accepted, noting that it would be good to have another alternate available as well.

Report of the ZBA:

There is no ZBA meeting this month as no applications were received.

Report of the Board of Permit:

There was no meeting this month.

Adjournment:

Tom Moore made a motion to adjourn at 9:12 p.m.; seconded by Dustin Bowles. All were in favor.

*Submitted by,
Donna White
Administrative Assistant*

Next Deadline: May 16, 2014



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
MEETINGS ARE ALWAYS SUBJECT TO CHANGE. PLEASE CONTACT THE GROUP IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS AND/OR TO CONFIRM MEETING TIMES AND LOCATIONS. IF YOUR INFO IS WRONG, PLEASE CONTACT US!				1 10–4•Community Action @ Library 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 11am•Chair Yoga @ Library 3:30–5•LEGO Club @ Library 6pm•Yoga @ Library 6pm•PTA @ Elementary School 6pm•Angels 5k Fitness Walk @ MVHS 6:30pm•Freedom Hill Cooperative @ Library	2	3 9am•Rug Hookers Guild @ Library
4	5 5pm•Library Trustees Meeting 6pm•Yoga @ Library 6:30pm•Happy Hill 4H @ Loudon Congregational Church 7pm•Zumba @ LES	6 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 1pm•Yoga @ Library 6pm•Selectmen's Meeting @ Com. Bldg. 7pm•Lions Club @ Library Boy Scouts Troop 30 @ Elementary School	7 2pm•Storytime @ Library 2–4pm•Creative Wednesday @ Library 7pm•Sit 'n Stitch @ Library 6pm•Daisies at Library 6:30pm•LFD Auxiliary 7pm•Historical Society 7pm•Village Arts Group @ Library	8 PROGRESS REPORTS GO OUT 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 11am•Chair Yoga @ Library 3:30–5•LEGO Club @ Library 6pm•Yoga @ Library	9	10 8:30–10:30am•Bike Safety Rodeo @ Rec Field Parking Lot 9am–Noon•Community Visioning Event @ LES 4:30–6:30•Free Dinner @ Family Bible Church
11 MOTHER'S DAY 	12 6pm•Caregivers Support Group @ Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church 6pm•Yoga @ Library 7pm•Loudon Fire Department 7pm•Zumba @ LES 7:15pm•MVSD School Board @ LES	13 10am•Young at Heart @ Com. Bldg. 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 1pm•Yoga @ Library 6pm•Selectmen's Meeting @ Com. Bldg. 6:30pm•Girl Scouts @ Library in Children's Craft Room Boy Scouts Troop 30 @ Elementary School	14 2pm•Storytime @ Library 2–4pm•Creative Wednesday @ Library 6pm•Conservation Com. @ Com. Bldg. 6:30pm•Cub Scout Den Leaders @ Library 6:30pm•Girl Scout Volunteers @ Elementary School 7pm•Sit 'n Stitch @ Library	15 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 11am•Chair Yoga @ Library 3:30–5•LEGO Club @ Library 6pm•Yoga @ Library 7pm•Planning Board @ Com. Bldg. 7pm•F/NF Book Group @ Library	16 DEADLINE FOR THE JUNE ISSUE OF THE LOUDON LEDGER	17 10am–2pm•Touch-A-Truck @ NHMS 6pm•Potluck followed by concert @ Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church
18	19 6pm•Yoga @ Library 7pm•Zumba @ LES	20 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 1pm•Yoga @ Library 6pm•Selectmen's Meeting @ Com. Bldg. 6pm•Loudon Communications Council @ LES 7pm•Lions Club @ Library Boy Scouts Troop 30 @ Elementary School	21 2pm•Storytime @ Library 2–4pm•Creative Wednesday @ Library 6pm•Daisies at Library 6:30pm•All Cub Scouts @ LES 6:30pm•Health Insurance Marketplace Information Session @ Library 7pm•Sit 'n Stitch @ Library 7pm•Legion and Auxiliary	22 10–4•Community Action @ Library 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 11am•Chair Yoga @ Library 3:30–5•LEGO Club @ Library 6pm•Yoga @ Library 7pm•Zoning Board @ Com. Bldg.	23	24
25 	26 MEMORIAL DAY NO SCHOOL 9am•Memorial Day Parade in the Village 6pm•Caregivers Support Group @ Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church 6pm•Yoga @ Library 7pm•Zumba @ LES	27 9–Noon•VNA Senior Health Clinic @ Richard Brown House 11–3•Drop in craft time @ Library 1pm•Yoga @ Library 2:30pm•Classic book Group/Creative Writing @ Com. Bldg. 6:30pm•Girl Scouts @ Library in Children's Craft Room 7pm•LYAA @ Library Boy Scouts Troop 30 @ Elementary School	28 2–4pm•Creative Wednesday @ Library 2pm•Storytime @ Library 6pm•Girl Scouts — Daisies @ Library 6:30pm•Recreation Com. @ Library 7pm•Sit 'n Stitch @ Library	29 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 11am•Chair Yoga @ Library 2pm•JO Cate Van Committee @ Van Office 3:30–5•LEGO Club @ Library 6pm•Yoga @ Library	30	31 9–1•Book Sale @ Library

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