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Memorial Day Open House at New Legion Building After Parade

The Legionnaires of Loudon American Legion Post #88 will again play a prominent role in the annual Loudon Memorial Day Parade, which will start as usual on Monday, May 29, on South Village Road at 9 a.m. before culminating with a ceremony and music at the Church Street Cemetery.

Having just celebrated the 100th anniversary of the beginning of World War I, this will be a particularly noteworthy commemoration for the American Legion, which will celebrate its own 100th birthday next year.

As part of the centennial commemorations, Loudon Legion Post #88 will celebrate the completion of renovations on its new Post with an Open House and barbecue. The Legionnaires have worked very hard to develop this property and invite any and all to stop by anytime after 11 a.m., including veterans from any of our services branches.

Some refreshments will be provided, but guests are welcome to bring baked goods, desserts, or drinks if they wish.

Last year Governor Hassan marched with the Legionnaires in the rain, and



The Loudon Lions and the Loudon American Legion came together at the new Legion Post #88 Building to provide a free breakfast on April 15. The Legion will host an Open House and barbecue at their building on South Village Road at noon on Memorial Day Monday, May 29. All are welcome!

this year some surprise special guests are anticipated as well.

The new Legion Post #88 building is located across the street from the

Loudon Village Country Store. Plenty of parking is available behind the store.

See you on the 29th! ■

Memorial Day Parade

Monday, May 29 2017
9:00 a.m.

Parade begins in the Village, travels to the bridge and on to the cemeteries behind the Congregational Church.

Join the American Legion at their Open House at noon.



MVHS Wins Awards at FIRST Robotics Competition

The Robotics team of MVHS won two trophies at the Southern New England FIRST Robotics Competition at Bedford High School. The team won the *Highest Scoring Rookie Team* and *Rookie Allstars* awards. This is MVHS's first appearance in the 25-year-old competition. The following Loudon students are on the team: Dylan Babonis, Gabe Jaquith, Ojashwi Oiri, Brian Latham, and Nick Snow. ■

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 • selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org
Selectmen meet Tuesday evenings at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Building.
Mon.–Thurs.: 8 a.m.–4 p.m. • Tues. evenings: 6 p.m.–9 p.m.
Robert P. Krieger, Chairman (*term expires 2017*) selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org
Steven R. Ives (*term expires 2018*) selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org
Robert N. Fiske (*term expires 2019*) selectmanfiske@comcast.net

Town Clerk

PO Box 7837 • 798-4542 • townclerk@loudonnh.org
Mon.: 8 a.m.–2 p.m. • Tues.: 3 p.m.–8:45 p.m. • Wed.–Thur.: 9 a.m.–4 p.m.

Planning/Zoning Board

PO Box 7837 • 798-4540 • planning-zoning@loudonnh.org
The Planning Board Meets the third Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Building. The Zoning Board meets the fourth Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Building.
Mon. through Thurs.: 9 a.m.–4 p.m. • Tues. 9 a.m.–4 p.m. & 5–9 p.m.

Tax Collector

PO Box 7844 • 798-4543 • taxcollector@loudonnh.org
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.–Thur.: 8 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Building/Code Enforcement

PO Box 7032 • 798-5584 • 8 Cooper St., Fire Dept.
codeoffice@loudonfire.com • Monday–Friday: 8 a.m.–4 p.m.

Fire Department: Emergencies: 911

PO Box 7032 • 798-5612 • chief@loudonfire.com
To obtain a fire permit, please stop by the Fire Station at the Safety Complex on Cooper Street. Permits are available between the hours of 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. 7 days a week, unless we are out on an emergency or other Fire Department business. Permits can also be obtained online via the link on the Town’s website: www.loudonnh.org→Fire Department→Links→Online Fire Permit.

Loudon Elementary School

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

Transfer Station

783-0170 • selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org
Tues. & Thurs.: 9 a.m.–5 p.m. (Winter)
Tues.: 9 a.m.–5 p.m. • Thurs.: 11 a.m.–7 p.m. (Summer) • Sat.: 8 a.m.–5 p.m.
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Highway Department

783-4568 • selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org
Mon.–Fri.: 7 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

Maxfield Public Library

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

John O. Cate Memorial Van

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

Loudon Food Pantry

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

Loudon Representatives
REPRESENTATIVES — U.S.

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

REPRESENTATIVE STATE SENATE (DISTRICT 17)

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

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

REPRESENTATIVE TO THE GENERAL COURT (DISTRICT 26)

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

Loudon Ledger Submission Policy

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

ALL ADS MUST BE CAMERA READY AND PAYMENT IS DUE WHEN PICKED UP. COLOR ADS MAY BE AVAILABLE ON A FIRST-COME, FIRST-SERVED BASIS AND ARE SUBJECT TO UP-CHARGES. ADS NOT CAMERA READY WILL BE SUBJECT TO A 10% SURCHARGE.

“The Loudon Ledger” 2017 Schedule

January 2017 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 12/16 Council Meeting: Mon. 12/19

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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1/2 Page	9¾"W x 6"H — or — 4½"W x 11¾"H	\$115.00/issue
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All editorial submissions are approved by the Council before publication.

Advertising: Samantha French — 738-0232 / pixiepie05@comcast.net

Web Site and Article Submissions: Kathy Pitman — Loudonwebmaster@comcast.net

Where to Worship in Loudon

Faith Community Bible Church

Joshua Owens, Lead Pastor • Pat Testerman, Associate Pastor
334 North Village Road, Loudon, NH 03307 • 783-4045 • www.fcbenh.org
Office Hours: Mon.–Thurs. 9 a.m.–2 p.m.
Sunday Worship Hours: 8 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. (Nursery provided.)
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. for all ages
Youth Group for Grades 6–12: Sundays 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.

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www.familybiblechurchofloudon.org • Email: PastorSteve@familybiblechurchofloudon.org
Pre-Service Prayer Time: Sunday 9–9:45 a.m.
Sunday Worship: 10:00 a.m. A blend of hymns and contemporary songs.
Fellowship time provided following the morning service.
Monday Evening: Men’s Fellowship and Prayer Time 7–8:45 p.m.
Tuesday Morning: Ladies’ Bible Study Group 9:30 a.m.
Home Life Groups: Wednesday Morning — Senior Ladies Group
Other adult groups meet on Wednesday and Friday evenings: call or email for details
FREE Monthly Community Dinners: 2nd Saturday of every month, 4:30–6:30 p.m.

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Sunday School and Bible Classes for all ages: 9:30 a.m.
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Sunday Evening Worship: 6 p.m.
Wednesday Evening Service: 7 p.m.
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Please visit our website for more information!

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Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church

Rev. Shirley Marcoft, Interim Minister
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 Service: 9:30 a.m.
For information on upcoming events, please contact Gayle Doyle, Clerk at 603-435-0496 or email: gad022948@gmail.com. For other information, call Henry A. Welch, Head Trustee at 603-435-6510 (please leave a message if no answer).

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Loudon Congregational Church

Rev. Moe Cornier
7018 Church Street, PO Box 7034, Loudon, NH 03307 • 783-9478 • www.loudoncongregational.org
Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m. followed by Fellowship Time
Tuesday Prayer Meeting: 6:30 p.m.
Healing Prayer Service: 3rd Sunday of the month, 9:30 a.m.
Loudon Congregational is a member church of the
Conservative Congregational Christian Conference (www.cccusa.org).

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New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene

Rev. Joshua T. Johnson, Lead Pastor
Rev. Dallas Tharp, Intergenerational Discipleship Pastor
Rev. Mike Matthews, Visitation Pastor
33 Staniels Rd, Loudon NH 03307 • Ph: 224-1311 • Office Hours: 9–3, Tues.–Fri.
office.LNBnazarene@gmail.com • www.LNBnazarene.org
Sundays:
Worship: 9:30 a.m. (Childcare provided for Infants–3-year-olds.)
Jr. Kids Church (3-year-olds–Kindergarteners.) Children’s Church (Grades 1–5)
Discipleship Hour: 11:00 a.m. for all ages.
Second Tuesdays: OASIS Potluck Luncheon (for folks 50+): 11 a.m.–1 p.m.
Wednesdays: Teen Bible Quizzing Practice: 5:30 p.m. (for monthly Quiz Meets)
Games, Food & Fellowship for Everyone: 6:30–7:00 p.m.
Youth Groups (Grades 6–8 and 9–12): 7–8 p.m.
Adult Bible Studies and Kids Time (PreK–Grade 5). 7–8 p.m.

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

CHURCH NEWS

Community Bible Study Begins at New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene

Community Bible Study (CBS) announces that Connie Zobel of Penacook recently completed Teaching Director training. Zobel will be teaching at the CBS that meets weekly at New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene, Loudon. Community Bible Study is an inter-denominational organization that conducts in-depth Bible study available to all. It is the CBS mission to make disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ in our communities. CBS has over 700 Bible study classes throughout the United States and is active in over 80 countries.



Faith Community Bible Church to Host Faith Games

The church will be hosting a Faith Games family event Friday evening, June 23 through Sunday evening, June 25. Dinner will be hosted at 5 p.m.; the games will begin at 6 p.m. Families of all ages are welcome. Infant childcare is provided. This event is designed to bring families together to work toward common goals, with team-oriented games. The event is free.

Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church Pot Luck Dinner

Come join us for a Fellowship Pot Luck Supper celebrating the arrival of Spring on Saturday, May 20 at 5:30 p.m. Enjoy delicious homemade food and a great night of music. Bring your favorite potluck dish. Come celebrate family and friends. The Supper is free, but we ask a Love Donation be given. DONATIONS brought for The Loudon Food Pantry are always welcomed. We will be holding this Supper at Charlie’s Barn located at 29 South Village Rd., Loudon, NH. For further information, please call Lorraine Welch at 603-435-6510 or Gayle Doyle at 603-230-0204 or email: gad022948@gmail.com. ■

Kudos to Loudon Students!

The following Loudon students were named to the Dean’s List at their respective colleges. If your student has received any honors at their high school or college and it’s not listed here, please forward the information to *The Loudon Ledger*. We love to celebrate our students’ successes!

Emily Masse was named to the Dean’s List at the University of New Hampshire.

James Clasby was named to the Dean’s List for the Fall semester at the University of Maine, Orono.

Erin Barrett received the Meiring-Peck Endowed Scholarship and Shafer-Van Dorn-McGranahan Scholarship to the University of Findlay in Findlay, OH. She was also named to the Dean’s List for the Fall semester.

Meegan McCarthy was named to the Dean’s List for the Fall semester at Greensboro College in Greensboro, NC.

Rachael Howell was named to the Dean’s List for the Fall semester at the University of Maine, Farmington.

Sara Kowalski, daughter of Paul and Susan Kowalski, was named to the Dean’s List for the Fall semester at the University of Rochester. She is a senior linguistics and Japanese major.

The Loudon Communications Council Invites You to Join It At Its Annual Meeting On Monday, May 22, 2017 at the Community Building 6:00 p.m.

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Ledger Advertising Rates to Increase July 1

The *Loudon Ledger* hasn't raised its advertising rates in many years. After studying the financial situation earlier this Spring, the Council made the decision to raise the rates beginning July 1, 2017.

A great deal of thought went into the increase. The committee formed to look at rates spent many hours comparing the *Ledger's* rates with other comparable local papers.

New Rates:

Business Card: \$38/month
12 months if purchased separately: \$456
Annual Contract: \$410
Savings when purchasing Annual Contract: \$46
A Business Card ad measures 4 1/8" wide x 2" high.

1/8 Page Ad: \$55/month
12 months if purchased separately: \$660
Annual Contract: \$595
Savings when purchasing Annual Contract: \$65
An Eighth Page ad measures 4 1/8" wide x 3" high or 2 3/8" wide x 6" high.

1/4 Page Ad (B&W/Color): \$72/\$85 month
12 months if purchased separately: \$864/\$1,020
Annual Contract: \$775/\$920
Savings when purchasing Annual Contract: \$89/
\$100

A Quarter Page ad measures 9 1/8" wide x 3" high or 4 1/8" wide x 6" high.

1/2 Page Ad (B&W/Color): \$130/\$155 month
12 months if purchased separately: \$1,560/\$1,860
Annual Contract: \$1,400/\$1,665
Savings when purchasing Annual Contract: \$160/
\$195

A Half Page ad measures 9 1/8" wide x 6" high or 4 1/8" wide x 11 1/4" high.

Full Page Ad (B&W/Color): \$260/\$310 month
12 months if purchased separately: \$3,120/\$3,720
Annual Contract: \$2,800/\$3,325
Savings when purchasing Annual Contract: \$320/
\$395

A Full Page ad measures 9 1/8" wide x 11 1/4" high.

Guidelines For Placing An Ad:

If you would like to place an ad in *The Loudon Ledger*, please call Samantha French at 738-0232 or Janice Morin at 798-5521. You may also call any member of the Communications Council.

All ads *must* be accompanied by payment in full, with checks payable to the Loudon Communications Council.

Ads must be camera ready in order to avoid possible set-up fees. If your ad requires extensive work to be used, you will be charged for the work.

It is expensive to print in color, which is why color space is limited. Currently, no new color ads are being offered. This may change as time goes on. If you are interested in a color ad, be sure to mention it to your salesperson. When offered, color will be available on a first-come first-served basis. ■

Multi-Church Easter Sunrise Service



This year's Easter Sunrise Service was hosted by Faith Community Bible Church on North Village Road and held at the Recreation Field Gazebo. Other church partners in the service were Family Bible Church, Loudon Ridge Road; Loudon Congregational Church in the Village; and New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene on Stanfels Road. ■



Pastors, from left: Pat Testerman (FCBC), Steve Ludwick (Family Bible), Moe Cormier (Loudon Congregational), Josh Thomas (New Beginnings), and Josh Owens (FCBC).





Spring is Here and It's Time to Spruce Up Your Yard!

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Fifth Grade Students Visit New Town Office



On April 12, fifth grade students Noah Casio and Noah Byron and their teacher, Melissa Lear, did a site visit to the future Town Offices location to discuss the project with Selectman (and retired Police Chief) Bobby Fiske.

Police Chief Kris Burgess provided the escort in the police SUV for the school representatives and accompanied them on the tour and interview.

The students were working on a project called "Exhibition," an end-of-the-year inquiry project for fifth graders. This pertains to community-oriented projects and programs.



During the tour, the students interviewed Selectman Fiske on the particulars on the project, such as the layout of the building and what each office represented, as well as questions regarding town government operations and the roles various people played. In addition, they met and interviewed the General Contractor, Jay Berwick, Berwick Construction, LLC, to discuss what a typical day on the building site was like.

It's nice to see our younger generation getting interested in our community and we enjoyed this meeting! ■

Loudon Police Association 2017 D.A.R.E. Scholarship

The Loudon Police Association D.A.R.E. Program will be awarding three \$1,000 scholarships this year.

The criteria for eligibility for this scholarship are:

1. A graduating senior of Merri-mack Valley High School
2. A Loudon resident
3. Entering an accredited post-secondary school
4. Student must have full-time status
5. Scholarship will be paid upon receipt of documentation from post-secondary school certifying student enrollment.

Include with the scholarship application:

1. 250-word or less essay stating: how the D.A.R.E. program has helped you make positive decisions; how you will remain a positive role model in the future; and what your future goals are.
2. Official copy of high school transcript.
3. Current letters of recommendations from school representatives (principal, guidance counselor, teachers).

Scholarship application deadline is May 17, 2017.

Completed application must be submitted in a **sealed envelope clearly marked SCHOLARSHIP** to:

Loudon Police Department
P.O. Box 7059
Loudon, NH 03307 ■

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Name: _____
FIRST MIDDLE LAST

Address: _____

Town: _____ State _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

COMMUNITY SERVICE:

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES:

WORK HISTORY (Employer/Job Responsibilities/Dates of Employment)

SCHOOLS OR COLLEGES YOU HAVE APPLIED TO FOR ADMISSION:

DEGREE(S) YOU ARE PURSUING:

Lions At Health Fair



Local Lions "manned" a vision-screening booth at the recent health Fair at NHTI-Concord and evaluated the vision of dozens of people, young and old. Pictured from left to right are Joan Beldin, Chris Dwyer, Dick Gibson, Judy Gibson, a "Guest Lion," and Mike Moffett.

Gardening With The Masters

Join us in the Winnepesaukee Room of the Carriage House at Castle in the Clouds to learn the fine art of keeping your garden alive and thriving. We have teamed up with the New Hampshire Master Gardeners to bring you a series of instructional garden presentations just in time for the start of gardening season.

Wednesday May 3: Vegetable Gardening 101.

Master Gardener, Susan Porier will teach you the essentials of growing your own veggies. Develop a new hobby and reap the benefits by enjoying your beautiful home-grown vegetables.

Wednesday May 10: Raised Bed Gardens.

Don't have great soil? Try growing your garden in a raised bed! Master Gardener, Kim Espinosa will show us how.

All presentations will begin at 6:00 p.m. in the Winnepesaukee Room of the Carriage House at Castle in the Clouds.

The cost of this series is \$10.00 per lecture (\$8.00 for Castle members) or attend the whole series for \$40.00 (\$30.00 for Castle members). Tickets can be purchased in advance or at the door.

Call 603-476-5410 or email programs@castleinthecLOUDS.org for more information or to purchase tickets to the series. ■

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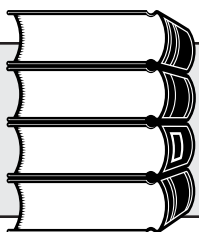


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Maxfield Public Library News



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Yoga

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May is **Military Appreciation Month**! To show our appreciation for all you do we will be offering free yoga classes to anyone who has served or is serving in the military. This is a great opportunity to see if yoga is the right fit for you.

Meditation

Join Fran Nash, Wednesday May 3 at 6 p.m., for an hour of mediation and quiet contemplation. Cost per session is \$5.00.

Restorative Yoga Class

Join the restorative yoga class on Wednesday, May 31 at 6 p.m. This class will help you center your breath and body — aligning the physical and mental by practicing stillness and gentle movement, assisted by props. The cost for this session is \$5.00.



Story Time

Join us at 10:30 a.m. Tuesdays or Thursdays for songs, stories, and crafts.

On May 2 and 4 story time will look to the stars. After hearing *Touch the Brightest Star* by Christie Matheson and *How to Catch a Star* by Oliver Jeffers, the children will make a tissue paper star to hang in a sunny window.

On May 9 and 11 we will focus on parents. Story timers will use bubble wrap to paint a picture frame capturing a special family moment after listening to *Mother Bruce* by Ryan T. Higgins and Andrew Clements' *Because Your Daddy Loves You*.

On May 16 and 18 story time heads to the circus! The children will leave the library with a tumbling clown after reading Rodney Peppe' and Lita Judge's *Circus Numbers* and *Pennies for Elephants*.

On May 23 and 25 the children will read two books about parades: *Grandma Drove the Garbage Truck* by Katie Clark and *Army Ant Parade* by April Pulley Sayre. In the craft time to follow the children will create a star-spangled wreath — perfect to decorate your door for the upcoming holiday.

On May 30 and June 1 we'll start dreaming of summer and beaches.... Bring your sunglasses as we read Chu's *Day at the Beach* by Neil Gaiman and Adam Rex and *Hello Ocean* by Pam Muniz Ryan. The children will make a sea turtle that's perfect to bring to the ocean (or the bathtub)!

Movie Matinee for Adults

Join us Tuesday, May 9 at 2:30 p.m. for a movie based on the beloved bestselling novel by W. Bruce Cameron. This is a story of a devoted dog who finds the meaning of his own existence through the lives of the humans he teaches to laugh and love.

Gut Reaction

Wednesday, May 17 at 6 p.m. Instructor Jason Aziz, MS, CSCS will be here representing the *Concord Hospital Center for Health Promotion*. Do you suffer from bloating, gas or food sensitivities? Learn about the art and science of maintaining a healthy gut and hear dietary strategies that may help you if you already suffer from one of them. This is a free program.

Getting the Most From Your Health Insurance

Tuesday, May 23 at 6 p.m. Marilyn Sullivan, *Navigators for Bi-State Primary Care Association*, will be here to answer questions about your health insurance coverage. Knowing what to do when you get health insurance coverage and how to maximize the use of your benefits will help you when you are sick and will save you money and time. All plans have features that will keep you well, too. Focus is on Marketplace and Medicaid plans but the information is applicable to all. Sign up for this free program.

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Writing Group With Mark Okrant

A new 6-week writing group will begin meeting Tuesday mornings at 10 a.m., starting May 2 (no meeting May 23). A writing group may offer accountability, support, feedback, and encouragement as you pursue your writing goals. The idea is to improve your writing and make some good friends.

Local Author Visit — Mark Okrant

Come meet author Mark Okrant on Tuesday, May 30 at 6 p.m. Mark is a tourism expert turned mystery writer. This local author is famous for setting his stories at NH's Grand Resorts such as The Balsams, The Mountain View Grand, The Omni Mount Washington, and the Wentworth-by-the-Sea.

Mom and Babies: Make Your Own Natural Body Care with Maria Noel Groves

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Space will be limited for this event — please pre-register. Mrs. Ingerson and Miss Debbi will be entertaining the young ones in the children's room so parents can enjoy this program. Cost is \$5 per person.

Spiritual Living Discussion Group

If you're looking to expand your spiritual horizons, join this discussion group on Tuesday, May 9 at 6 p.m.; bring your thoughts and questions to share with this collaborative group.

Book Group

Book group will meet Thursday, May 25 at 7 p.m.

Holiday Hours

The library will be closed on Saturday, May 27 and Monday, May 29 in observance of Memorial Day.

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Good News From Loudon Elementary School



Arts Night

Our annual LES celebration of the Arts was held on April 11. Student artwork was on display throughout the building, transforming our halls into that of a gallery for the community to view. Later in the evening, grade levels performed for a packed house songs that highlighted the passing of the seasons.

The evening concluded with the entire student body joining together to sing *Seasons of Love* while a slideshow displayed student artwork.

This special evening was made possible by the dedication and commitment of our talented Fine Arts educators, Mrs. Keaon and Mrs. Patnaude.

Photos above and below feature some of our talented students.

LES Happenings

- Student Council hosted the annual Lip Sync event in April. Students from all grade levels participated in this fun and entertaining event! Some of the fun is pictured at right.



- April has been a busy month preparing for the Fifth Grade Exhibition! Fifth grades have formed collaborative groups and have been busy researching a topic of personal interest. Each group has prepared an action in response to what has been learned.

Upcoming Events

May 3	Elementary School Choral Concert, 7 p.m.
May 4	PTA Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
May 5	5th Grade Mix It Up Activity
May 5	1st and 3rd Grade Field Trip
May 5	4th Grade Lilac Presentation
May 10	Career Day
May 11	5th Grade Mix It Up Activity
May 12	5th Grade Mix It Up Activity
May 12	PTA Mother's Day Flower Sale
May 15	4th Grade Field Trip
May 16	1st Grade Field Trip
May 24	Elementary Band Concert, 7 p.m.
May 29	Memorial Day Holiday
May 30	5th Grade Move Up Day ■



Public Asked to Participate in Moose Photo Survey from May 1 through May 15

As part of its ongoing efforts to monitor New Hampshire's moose, the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department is asking the public to participate in a spring moose survey and submit photos of moose taken in New Hampshire from May 1 through May 15, 2017.

Images submitted should show one whole side of the moose (they should not be taken from in front of or behind the animal). And the images must be taken only during the May 1 through May 15 survey time period. Photos may be from regular cameras or trail cameras.

To learn more about the spring survey and submit your photographs May 1 through May 15, go to www.wildnh.com/surveys/moose.html.

Fish and Game wildlife staff have been monitoring moose around the state during the spring for several years to help assess tick loads. The results are tabulated in the Moose Spring Hair Loss Survey. This year, the Department is broadening the effort to include photos taken by the general public, hoping to expand the amount of information gathered in the survey.

"It is very important that submitted photographs show one whole side of the animal and that they are taken some time from May 1 through May 15," said Fish and Game Moose Biologist Kristine Rines. "We appreciate the public taking the time to contribute to this survey and help biologists better assess the condition of our moose."

Learn more about on-going research on New Hampshire's moose at www.wildnh.com/wildlife/moose-study.html. ■

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Remember When...

Stories of Loudon in Yesteryears

By Letty Barton



Loudon's former Municipal Court is now home to the American Legion Post 88.



Judge Prescott's robe and gavel as seen in the Loudon Historical Society Museum.

You have probably driven by it numerous times but paid little attention as to what it was or how it got there. I am talking about the one-story gray building on the east side of South Village Road. It is located diagonally across from the Country Store.

The building was started in May of 1967 and was a combination municipal court and police station. It included a room for use by the Loudon Historical Society and the planning and zoning boards met there. The courthouse was built on land owned by Judge Stanley Prescott and his wife, Isabelle. They contributed to the cost as well. The project was a community effort, with the Loudon Police Association and interested citizens all pitching in. The building was officially opened in October of 1968.

Prior to having the new courthouse, court sessions were held in the ell of Judge Prescott's house across the road! Court was conducted for awhile in the yellow school house on Rt. 129.

Judge Prescott, who served the town for 28 years, was the third in a short line of judges in Loudon's municipal court. Like Judge Prescott, Roger Perkins (1955) and Clarence Richardson (1956) heard cases on traffic violations, burglaries, domestic disputes, shootings, and juvenile mischief.

Municipal judges were appointed by the Governor and Council. They had to be upright citizens and take classes to keep abreast of the laws. When Judge Prescott retired, the court cases from Loudon and surrounding towns were then sent to district court in Concord.

The courthouse was sold and used as a real estate office and then as a home. In 2016, the building was purchased by American Legion Post #88 and has undergone extensive renovation to become their new home.

Post Commander Shawn Jones says the new facility is helping to breathe new life into the Post and is bringing in additional members. He is pleased the Post is able to reactivate many of the activities they enjoyed in the past.

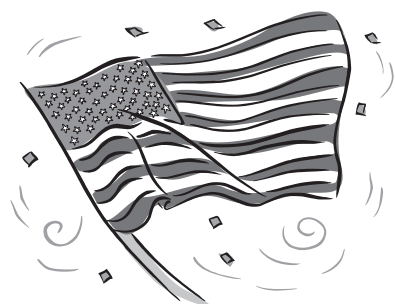
So, when you drive by the small gray building on South Village Road, take a look and see that it has a new purpose — and remember there is a fair amount of history behind those walls.

Many thanks to Stanley Prescott II for his input into this article and for providing me with a couple of historical news clippings that offered a lot of the facts used here.

I am always glad to hear from anyone who has a topic from yesteryears they would like to pursue with me for this column. Call me at 783-4341 or email at lbarton@myfairpoint.net. ■

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The Maxfield Public Library is looking for a part-time custodian. Please stop by the Library or go to www.maxfieldlibrary.com for more information on this open position.



Post 88 has a flag collection box outside their new headquarters, 45 South Village Road. Unserviceable flags will be removed and given final honors. The Loudon Transfer Station also has a drop-off box in the main office.

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Richard Brown House News and Events

By Lois Scribner

The weather continued to have an impact on activities and programs during the last month. We welcomed the AARP on March 22, a week later than originally planned. Charlie Zola, AARP volunteer, presented the program entitled "It's Time To Talk," which focuses on the difficult issue of speaking to family or friends about the need to stop driving due to age or infirmity. The goal, Charlie explained, was to have successful and sensitive conversations over time, to observe the person driving first hand, and to provide alternatives if and when they agree to give up their keys. This is easier said than done in rural areas in New Hampshire where public transport is not available.

Residents were fortunate to have a second visit from Mary Jane and Kevin Leblanc, who arrived with all the craft materials necessary to make some cute Easter decorations. Their generosity was much appreciated, as it was when they came for the first time.

Towards the end of March a local high school student, Zack Jameson, was in touch to visit to talk to residents who were veterans on the topic of "War." He planned to make a documentary for his Senior presentation. And right at the end of the month, many residents enjoyed a delicious home-cooked lasagna supper with desserts that were provided by Rebekah Allen and youth members of the Loudon Faith Bible Community Church. The supper was special, not just because of the food that was prepared and served at the tables by the youth, but because much kindness was shared and beautiful paper flower decorations were provided, accompanied with various considerate prayer sheets laid on the tables with them. The paper flowers are still decorating the Community Room tables!

If anyone has spare flowers or shrubs, especially sun-loving varieties, we have space to fill in our gardens where the sun shines relentlessly!

This month, our educational program was presented by the American Diabetes Association. Rev. Al Whittaker, Director of Community Health Strategies, drove up from Boston to give a presentation, Diabetes 101. Residents who had diabetes learned more and shared experiences of managing the disease over time, and managing to prepare healthy diets while managing blood sugar issues. It was a fascinating presentation. All our educational programs are open to residents of Loudon, and generally fliers are put up in the Maxfield Public Library. We have coffee and cookies on these Wednesday mornings at 10:00 a.m.

And finally, the trio of Middle School students, Caitlyn Fortier, Ayden Rollins, and Kileigh Davis, agreed to return for another nail manicure session, offered in between their busy school schedules!

So we are all hoping fervently that the snow for this year is over and, as the piles melt, we can look forward to the flowers and green grass of spring and summer. Our educational session in May is on May 17th at 10:00 a.m. when Dr. Randy Hayes, retired local physician, will come to talk about relationships with PCPs and living wills. This will be a slightly more intimate session so if anyone else is interested in hearing Dr. Hayes advice, a RSVP would be appreciated. As ever, if you have a talent or activity to share, email lois.scribner@voanne.org or leave a message at 798 3190. ■





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Local Racing Schedule Begins This Weekend at NHMS

Loudon Road Race Series and Legends' Moat Mountain Road Course Series Kick Off 2017 Local Racing Season on April 29 and 30

The time has finally come to go racing at New Hampshire Motor Speedway, as the 1.6-mile road course gets ready to host motorcycle and legends car racing this weekend, April 29–30. The Loudon Road Race Series (LRRS) will feature more than two dozen races over the two days of action, while the Moat Mountain Road Course Series will hold the first point races of its season with a race on Saturday and Sunday.

The LRRS and Moat Mountain Road Course Series will drop the green flag on the local racing season, which also includes the Sign Works Oval Series (legends) and the Sign Works Mini Oval Bandolero Series. Both will begin their respective seasons on May 20.

"We are immensely proud of the local racing that we feature here at New Hampshire Motor Speedway," said David McGrath, executive vice president and general manager of the speedway. "We have an incredible group of drivers that might one day be making headlines in NASCAR, while our two-wheeled riders are true professionals and incredible to watch."

The bikes and legends cars will be on the track beginning on Thursday for open track sessions.

Legends

The Moat Mountain Road Course Series will run its 14-race schedule on NHMS' 1.6-mile road course. The Sign Works Oval Series will run a 10-race schedule, featuring seven races on the NHMS quarter-mile mini-oval and, for the first time, three off-property races at Monadnock Speedway (May 13), Lee USA Speedway (May 27), and Speedway 51 (Aug. 5).

Shaun Buffington (Plainfield, Conn.) is a multi-time track champion in both series, while other local drivers looking to make their marks include Ryan DeCandia (Chaplin, Conn.), Jack Walker (Bow, N.H.), Taylor Martin (Windham, N.H.), Jordan O'Brien (Yarmouth, Maine), and Thomas Saari (Rindge, N.H.).

With drivers ranging in age from 12 to 65, legends car racing is not only one of the most affordable types of American motorsports, but serves as a feeder system

for drivers looking to make the jump to the next level of racing. Two-time NHMS Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series winner Joey Logano, former Cup Series champions Kyle and Kurt Busch, and former Daytona 500 winner David Ragan highlight an impressive list of drivers that got their starts in legends racing.

Loudon Road Race Series

The LRRS docket will feature seven weekends — running April through October — of motorcycle racing, highlighted by the 94th annual Loudon Classic motorcycle weekend June 16-18. Notable riders include 2016 LRRS Track Champion Scott Greenwood (Dunbarton, N.H.) and two-time reigning Loudon Classic champion Shane Narbonne (Tyngsboro, Mass.), as well as Charles Sandoz (Plainville, Mass.), Eric Wood (Ashburnham, Mass.), Kevin Allen (Manchester Center, Vt.) and 2016 Rookie of the Year Shawn Barron (Riverhead, N.Y.).

Thanks to a strong development program, Penguin Roadracing School, the LRRS has become the Northeast's premier motorcycle racing circuit, featuring some of the tightest and most intense racing on two wheels. To help build for the future, Penguin has once again scheduled race school days on the Friday prior to all LRRS weekends — a program that started in 2016.

Present and future motorcycle road racers can get the training needed to become a fully licensed competitor in the LRRS. More information on the Penguin Roadracing School can be found on the school's website.

Bandoleros

The Sign Works Mini Oval Bandolero Series started at NHMS in May of 2013. Smaller and easier to drive than legends cars, bandolero cars serve as a stepping stone to the more powerful legends division and feature drivers as young as nine years old.

Nine-year-old Devin Deshaies (Oakland, R.I.), Matt Gaudreau, 14, of Eastford, Conn., Calvin Puglisi, 13, of Rye, N.H., Brandon Lavoie, 12, of Littleton, Mass., and Cam Huntress, 12, of Rochester, N.H., highlight a list of notable drivers vying for this year's title.

Single day admission passes to attend all local racing events at the speedway start at \$10. ■

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plan for the great outdoors," said Fish and Game Law Enforcement Chief Kevin Jordan. "Buying a card is a great way to help support Fish and Game's search and rescue activities."



Funds raised through sale of the hike safe cards go to Fish and Game's Search and Rescue Fund. During 2016, the Department sold 4,169 cards, bringing in nearly \$110,000. In 2016, Fish and Game conducted 245 search and rescue missions. Under state law, the Fish and Game Department can pursue reimbursement for rescue costs if the person rescued is deemed to have acted negligently.

Individuals who possess a valid New Hampshire hunting or fishing license, or a current registration for an off-highway recreational vehicle, snowmobile or boat, have the same benefits as those provided by the Hike Safe card.

Learn more about New Hampshire's voluntary Hike Safe Card and see Frequently Asked

Questions about the card at www.wildnh.com/safe. ■

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Rec Committee News

At this time of year we are usually putting the finishing touches on the Loudon Community Summer Fun Nights schedule. This is normally a highlight of the summer where Loudon residents can come down to the recreation fields and share time with their friends and neighbors while enjoying a band concert or other event.

Recently, a Recreation Committee member went down to the recreation fields and realized that our shared property is not being taken care of or respected the way it should be. At this time we are meeting with the selectmen to discuss ways we can make sure that our shared community spaces are not littered, destroyed by vandalism, used as dumping grounds, and violated with graffiti. As citizens of Loudon, we all need to step up and take care of our community. We don't want what we have all worked so hard for to be destroyed. **If you see someone doing something that seems inappropriate, makes you feel concerned, unsafe or uncomfortable, please report it. If you see any needles or drug paraphernalia, please do not touch and contact Loudon Police immediately.**

The past few years have seen a decline in attendance at Summer Fun Nights and overall interest in recreation events from the community. Moving forward, the committee would like to explore using rec funds to update areas at the rec field, especially in light of the wonderful new Town Hall building. The current play structure needs to be removed and replaced. The baseball and softball areas need to be leveled, hard pack added, and bases looked at with possible replacement. The dugouts and score boards need attention as well. The horseshoe pits are another area for improvement. The recreation committee looks forward to working with the town in updating the recreation field area and renewing interest in community events here in Loudon.

In order to clean up and update these areas, we need volunteers to help. Won't you please consider joining a cleanup crew? Watch the *Loudon Ledger* and loudonnh.org for more information.

We are still hoping we may be able to put together summer swimming lessons for youth at Clough Pond. We have GREAT ideas like tennis lessons, kids' yoga, stand up paddle boarding lessons, family fitness boot camp, corn-hole tournament, family outdoor game night, chess/checkers tournament, summer basketball games, etc. but **NEED VOLUNTEERS TO ORGANIZE AND MAKE THEM HAPPEN!!**

If any of these things sound good to you and you are interested in helping them become a reality, come to the next meeting and let us know! Loudon Recreation Committee is a volunteer group that organizes classes, workshops, events and activities for citizens of all ages in Loudon. We are always looking for other volunteers to step up and help out on this committee. Ideas can also be shared through

Award Presented to Annora Brown



Loudon American Legion Post #88 Commander Shawn Jones presented an award and check to Annora Brown (12) at the Legion Post in Loudon after Annora won the local Oratorical Contest Competition on March 11. Laura's studies take place through the Lighthouse Home School Cooperative and the Faith Community Bible Church in Loudon. Annora went on to compete in the statewide competition at St. Anselm College on April 1. ■

email: Laurie Jaquith at cljaquith@comcast.net or Alicia Grimaldi at aliciagrimaldi7001@gmail.com.

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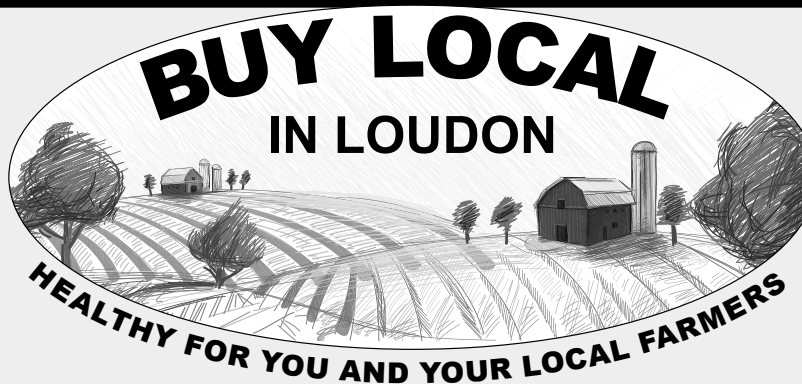
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Mandatory Recycling: Pros & Cons

By LeeAn Childress, Loudon Recycling Committee



Mandatory recycling legislation is one of the most debated policy options being discussed nationwide. The purpose of mandatory recycling is clearly meant for people to help in keeping our environment free of pollution, which has obvious impacts on our health. However, in the land of Live Free or Die, the idea of mandatory recycling would possibly be considered an intrusion on our personal liberty.

Currently, the United States does have a federal environmental agency that supports recycling, but it does not have a federal recycling law. In spite of that, there actually are many cities and states in the US that do realize and understand the importance of recycling. To name a few, places like Pittsburg, San Diego, Seattle, New York, Philadelphia, Connecticut, San Francisco, Gainesville, and Honolulu, have all enacted their own mandatory recycling laws. A common reason these places have mandatory recycling laws was due to the problems they were having the rapid magnitude of growing waste and trash.

Some Positive Effects of Mandatory Recycling Laws would:

- help save the environment; keeping waste out of the landfills, oceans, streams, farm lands, and landscapes and, ultimately, our own bodies
- reduce our consumption of energy; when recycling, the consumer reduces the amount of energy that is needed for processing new materials
- create local jobs needed for processing the recycled materials
- ultimately reduce the global warming effects; when piles of waste are burned it leads to toxic emissions, causing further global warming
- help save money that is spent for disposing of trash and recyclable materials
- reduce the volume of garbage
- prevent greenhouse gas emissions



Some Negative Effects of Mandatory Recycling Laws May:

- have low compliance and possibly create a rebellion within a community
- have some difficulties working because there is no uniformity from the federal government regarding specific requirements, so it would differ from state to state
- become an expensive program when sometimes the cost of sending waste to a landfill or incinerator (depending on where you live), can be less expensive than sending materials to recycling programs
- have to levy fines or deny service against those who are not complying with the law

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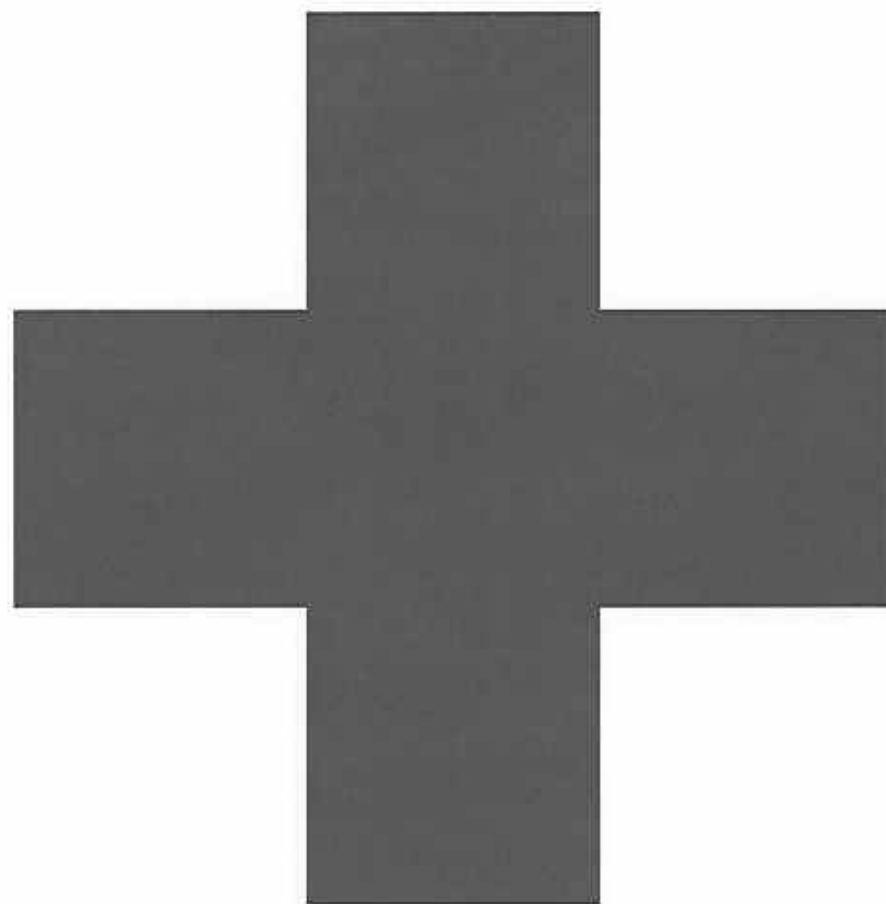
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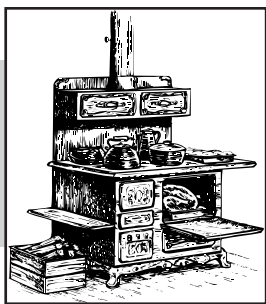
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What's Cookin'?

National Chocolate Cookie Day!

By Jenn Pfeifer

May 15 is national Chocolate Cookie Day, so before it gets too warm out to heat up the oven, try some of these ooey, gooey, chewy, crispy, and crunchy cookie recipes. The other great thing about cookies is they are perfect for ice cream sandwiches.

THE BEST ULTIMATE CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIES

By Hayley Parker, The Domestic Rebel

- $\frac{3}{4}$ cup butter, softened to room temperature
- 1 cup brown sugar
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup white sugar
- 1 egg + 1 egg yolk
- 1 tbsp. vanilla extract
- 1 tsp. instant espresso powder
- 1 tsp. baking soda
- 2 tsp. cornstarch
- $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp. salt
- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- $\frac{3}{4}$ cup semi-sweet chocolate chips (splurge for the good stuff — I like Guittard)
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup dark chocolate chips

In a large bowl of a stand mixer, cream together the butter, brown sugar and sugar with a paddle attachment until creamy, about 1 minute. Add in the egg and egg yolk, plus the vanilla and beat to combine. Add in the espresso powder, soda, cornstarch, salt and flour and beat until a soft dough forms. Fold in the chocolate chips. Chill the mixture covered in the fridge for at LEAST 2 hours, up to 3 days long. Chilling is mandatory and prevents spreading the cookie dough. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Line 2 baking sheets with silicone liners or parchment paper. Drop rounded tablespoonfuls of dough onto the baking sheets about 2" apart. I used a 2-ounce cookie scoop, but if you don't have one, simply use a $\frac{1}{4}$ cup measuring cup and stack the cookie dough higher rather than wider so when it spreads, it stays puffy in the middle. Bake for approx. 9–12 minutes, rotating pans halfway through baking time to ensure even cooking. Cookies may appear slightly soft in the center — they will continue to cook as they cool. Do not over-bake! Cool completely on the cookie sheets before serving.

FIVE INGREDIENT PEANUT BUTTER CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIES

By Momma Hen's Kitchen

- 1 cup peanut butter
- 1 cup packed brown sugar
- 1 egg
- 1 tsp baking powder
- $\frac{3}{4}$ cup semi-sweet chocolate chips

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Mix all ingredients except chocolate chips. When blended, mix in the chocolate chips. Using your fingers, form 1-1/2 inch balls (dough will be very wet and sticky) and place onto an ungreased parchment lined cookie sheet. You don't want to make them too big because they do spread. Bake for 9 minutes. Let the cookies sit on the cookie sheet for about 30 seconds to 1 minute before letting cool on a wire rack. Makes around a dozen small cookies.

ONE BOWL CHOCOLATE CHIP CHERRY OATMEAL COOKIES

By Just a Little Bit of Bacon

- 8 oz. (2 sticks, 16 tbsp) unsalted butter
- 2 tsp. vanilla extract
- 2 large eggs
- 1 cup brown sugar
- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup granulated sugar
- 1 tsp. table salt
- 1 tsp. baking soda
- 2 cups old fashioned oats
- $1\frac{1}{2}$ cups all purpose flour
- 1 cup (5 oz.) dried cherries, or cranberries
- 2 cups bittersweet chocolate chips

Melt the butter over low heat until it's almost all melted. Take it off the heat and let it the residual heat finish melting it. Check the temperature. The butter needs to

be between 100–110F for it to combine with the rest of the ingredients properly. Once the butter is at the right temperature, transfer it to a bowl and add the vanilla, egg, brown sugar, white sugar, salt, and baking soda. Whisk to combine thoroughly. Then add the oats, flour, cherries, and chocolate chips directly into the bowl. Use a large spoon or silicone spatula to mix the dry ingredients into the batter. Let the cookie dough rest for 30 minutes. Preheat the oven to 350F. Scoop out the dough in 2 tbsp portions onto a baking sheet. Bake for 12–15 minutes. When the done, allow them to cool for 1–2 minutes and then transfer them to a cooling rack. Cookies will keep for 3–4 days in a sealed container.

OREO STUFFED CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIES

By The Picky Palate

You can cheat by using your favorite refrigerator cookie dough.

- 2 sticks softened butter
- $\frac{3}{4}$ cup packed light brown sugar
- 1 cup granulated sugar
- 2 large eggs
- 1 tablespoon pure vanilla
- $3\frac{1}{2}$ cups all purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 10 oz. bag chocolate chips
- 1 bag Oreo Cookies, I used the Double Stuff

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. In a stand or electric mixer cream butter and sugars until well combined. Add in eggs and vanilla until well combined. In a separate bowl mix the flour, salt and baking soda. Slowly add to wet ingredients along with chocolate chips until just combined. Using a cookie scoop take one scoop of cookie dough and place on top of an Oreo Cookie. Take another scoop of dough and place on bottom of Oreo Cookie. Seal edges together by pressing and cupping in hand until Oreo Cookie is enclosed with dough. Place onto a parchment or silpat lined baking sheet and bake cookies 9–13 minutes or until cookies are baked to your liking. Let cool for 5 minutes before transferring to cooling rack. Serve with a tall glass of milk, enjoy!

ALMOND FLOUR CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIES (V&GF)

By Danielle Clark

- 2 cups almond flour
- 1 tsp. baking powder
- 3 tbsp. coconut sugar
- $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp. sea salt
- 1 tsp. vanilla extract
- 2 tbsp. apple sauce
- 3 tbsp. maple syrup
- $\frac{1}{3}$ cup melted coconut oil
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup chocolate chips

Pre-heat your oven to 350 F. Mix together the flour, sugar, baking powder, and sea salt. Add in the oil, apple sauce, and vanilla extract. Fold in the chocolate chips as you mix, and set aside for one hour to thicken. Once thickened, roll into 10-12 medium sized balls. Press down with your palm, and stick in the oven for 10-12 minutes. Let cool for 20–30 minutes.





Loudon Food Pantry News

The LFP Challenge to Fight Hunger Update

As of April 14th, we have received \$1,681.54 in food and \$5,229.53 totaling \$6,911.07 during this three month challenge. So, we needed \$3,088.93 in food or funds to reach our goal. We will publish the final results in our next article.

Thank you to everyone that has participated during this hunger challenge. Assisting us in this challenge will allow us to continue to feed those in need. It is always hard during the next few months when children are home for the summer and not receiving meals during school hours.

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

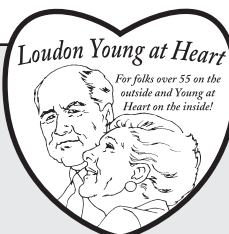
This is our yearly fundraiser that helps Loudon Food Pantry obtain funds needed to survive during this tough time of year. The lucky winner will receive half the ticket sales — so the more tickets we sell, the more the winner takes home.

Ticket Prices

- 1 Ticket for \$1
- 3 Tickets for \$2
- 7 Tickets for \$5

Starting June 1st tickets can be purchased online at LoudonFoodPantry.org or at Loudon Food Pantry, 30 Chichester Rd., Unit D, Loudon NH 03307.

Our office hours are Mon., Tues, Thur. 10 a.m.-1 p.m., and 3-6 p.m. Also Wed. 10 a.m.-1 p.m. The winner need not be present to win. Need more info? Call Sue at 724-9731. ■



Loudon Young at Heart

By Maureen Prescott

Thirty-nine members of the Young at Heart met on April 13th at the Shaker Table for their monthly meeting. The luncheon was a buffet of German dishes, salads, and desserts. It was a relaxed setting and everyone enjoyed the change of scenery and selection of food.

A new member, Mary Mayo, was introduced by Letty Barton.

The spring trip this year is on Wednesday, June 14th and we will travel to the Butterfly Wings Conservatory. The cost for this trip will be \$13.00 each and the bus will leave the Church at 8:30 a.m.

There was no March meeting due to the snow storm.

The next meeting is May 9th at Charlie's Barn at 10 a.m. when there will be a presentation on "New Hampshire Wild Life." Hope to see you all there and if possible bring a donation for the Food Pantry.

See you all next month! ■

Local Fiddler Plays to Benefit Children's Trust

Loudon resident Pat Chagnon and approximately 60 of her fellow musicians from the New Hampshire Fiddle Ensemble entertained those who gathered at Grappone Toyota on the evening of April 1 to benefit the New Hampshire Children's Trust. Pat has loved music all her life. Her interests include piano, accordion, drums, violin/fiddle, ukulele, and guitar. ■



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American Legion Post 88 News

By Commander Shawn Jones



To my Legion family,

I apologize for not getting news about your post out to you over the last several months. I have had a lot going on and not been able to fulfill that responsibility to you. Starting in April, Mike Hartt, James Small, and Mike Moffett will be submitting articles and photos to area publications to keep members informed of what your post is doing. Another good way to find out what we are doing is to come out to a meeting now and then and check in with us. You might just find you like getting together with other members and will want to attend more meetings.

We held our February meeting on 2/16/17 with 15 members present. On the 4th, our post hosted the District Five High School Oratorical program. A lot of work was put into this program by our Americanism Chairman and Children and Youth Officer Mike Hartt. He was able to have two students compete in this year's contest. First place went to Hana Testerman of Chichester and second place was awarded to Niklas Cantatore of Pittsfield. Congratulations to both of these fine young adults. We hope to see Niklas return next year to compete again. Hana will represent the district and Post 88 at the Department contest level at Saint Anselm's College in March.

Scott Newton volunteered to be our point of contact with some insurance companies looking to do business with us. The Loudon Lions Club expressed interest in using the post on April 15th to host a breakfast fundraiser.

In February, Alfred Page went to the home of fellow veteran Michael Jourdan, who served with the Marines and Coast Guard. Michael was in need a new railing to be installed in his home that would allow him to go up and down from the second floor of his house. Chaplain Page was able to complete this task with ease and Mr. Jourdan was very pleased with the outcome and was quoted as saying "just fantastic" with the work done. I was able to go visit Mr. Jourdan just as Alfred was putting his tools way to see the completed work and I enjoyed spending some time talking with Mr. Jourdan about his experience in the military and our common bond as having both served in the Coast Guard.

Our membership level in February had come up to 109% or 73 members for 2017. Remember, in a past article I wrote that the goal set for your post was to have 67 paid members for the year so we had exceeded that amount by six new members.

Our Commanders Fund Raffle winners for February were: \$50/Stan P., \$25/Tom I., \$10/Johnathan H., \$10/Scott W., and \$5/Bea E. Congratulations to the February winners.

At our March 22nd meeting we had 15 members in attendance. We welcomed our newest member to come to a meeting, Walter Lampron, who is a World War II Army veteran. Thanks to Larry Hemphill for getting Mr. Lampron to join our post. We also welcome Patrick Testerman (Hana's father) to the post. Pat is a retired Air Force Lt. Colonel. We look forward to seeing more of Walter and Pat at future meetings and activities of the post.

Once again our post hosted a District Five oratorical contest on March 4th. This time it was for the Junior level contest and the winner was Anora Brown. She will move on to the state level competition at Saint Anselm's College on April 8th. On March 11th Ms. Hana Testerman won the state level High School Oratorical contest program for the second year in a row. She and one of her parents will go out to Indianapolis, IN on April 21st to the Legion's National Headquarters to compete against the other state level high school student winners from around the county for a chance to with up to \$20,000 in scholarship prize money.

Historian Mike Moffett, membership committee, spoke about having an open house after the Memorial Day parade on May 29th. Dave Zarges and Mike Hartt stepped up to help Mike and Vice Commander Gary Tasker with planning the open house. We would like to invite area veterans and their family members to come down to the post at 45 South Village Rd. following the conclusion of the parade, which starts at 0900 hours in the village of Loudon. Members voted to allow the membership committee to have a \$500.00 budget to use at its discretion to promote and put on the open house. Look for more information to follow.

At the March meeting we took nominations to fill post officer positions. We will be having some new members sworn into officer positions at our April installation being conducted by the District 5 leadership team that was also newly elected on April 15th. The new slate of post officers for 2017-2018 are as follows.

Commander James Small, First Vice Commander Gary Tasker, Second Vice Commander Michael Hartt, Adjutant Joe Piroso, Finance Officer Larry Elliot, Chaplain Alfred Page, Service Officer Vincent Giambalvo, Historian Michael Moffett, Judge Advocate Shawn Jones, Sargent-At-Arms Kenneth Ward. Mike Hartt will continue to serve as your C&Y Officer and Dave Zarges as the Boy Scout Charter Organizer Representative. We congratulate these members for offering to lead the post and we ask you to support them in the during the year ahead.

On May 20th we will be placing flags at the local cemeteries in town. If we miss a veteran's grave site please contact the Legion so we can correct this oversight. Again on May 29th we will be sponsoring the Loudon Memorial Day Parade. We pray for better weather this year and there is no promise that we'll have our Governor marching with us as in last year's parade but it will be a great parade just the same, honoring our fallen heroes in all wars. Please come out to support your post and the other groups that will be

Marching with us but, more important, the veteran's who have died for their country who came before us. We will remember and honor them and their families's sacrifices.



Alfred Page and local veteran Michael Jourdan pose at the foot of Mike's stair case with the new railings on either side.

Jim Small and Mike Hartt will be going to the Department of NH Annual Convention on May 19th-21st in Lincoln to represent your post. I'm sure they will give the post a report during our June meeting.

Our Commanders Fund Raffle winners for month of March were: \$50/Bob B., \$25/Cece R., \$10/Constance I., \$10/Maureen P., and \$5/Jeff P. Congratulations to the March winners.

Our Commanders Fund Raffle winners for April were: \$50/Jim G., \$25/Ardie H., \$10/Bea E., \$10/Jeff P., and \$5/Ray E. Congratulations to the April winners.

As you can tell from the last three months of drawings we can have multiple winners on the same ticket because once your number is drawn it goes back into the bucket and can be drawn up to 11 more times. We will begin to start selling our new tickets in May over the course of a couple of months so please consider buying a ticket or two for the new drawing in July. If we forget anyone you can call the post and leave us your name and address and a member will make arrangements to get you a ticket. There will only be 200 tickets sold so don't wait to buy yours and you'll be helping your post out at the same time. Many people buy them as gifts and give them to family and friends.

Our next meeting will be held on May 17th, we look forward to seeing you there.

In Comradeship,
Commander Shawn Jones

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Left: Newly-installed wooden railings and hardware in stairway of Michael Jourdan's home in Loudon.



The Art of Selling Up and Earning More

Jack Prendiville
Century 21 Thompson Real Estate

Spring is here and, with the budding leaves and blossoming flowers, there's a sense of hope in the air. If part of your spring plans involve putting your home on the market, you probably have high hopes of getting top dollar for it. How can you "sell up" to get a higher price? There's no single answer, but these four tips can certainly help you get top dollar for your home.

Prepare. Give yourself a couple weeks to get your home "market ready," to declutter and get rid of stuff. Fix some cosmetic flaws, paint the front door, and plant some flowers. Basically do all the little things you can to help increase curb appeal and make your home look amazing.

Rent furniture for staging. It's hard to overstate just how important it is to have a properly staged home. If you have outdated furniture or a favorite loveseat that's looking a bit rough around the edges, put it in storage and contact a short term rental company for an updated clean look.

Two words: Kitchen and bathroom. If you only have the time and resources to spruce up two places in your home make it the kitchen and bathroom. When it comes to buying a home, these are the rooms that people put the most stock into, so be sure they look spectacular.

Depersonalize. You want to create a comfortable feel inside your home so potential buyers will think this is a place they could call their own. Take down all those family photos. Hide your toiletries — this means toothbrushes, blow dryers, and bathtub toys. The goal is to make your home feel more like a hotel. ■

OBITUARIES

WILFRED J. THIBEAULT, JR.

Wilfred J. Thibault Jr., of Loudon, passed away peacefully with his family by his side Monday, March 20, 2017. He was born in Danville, the son of Wilfred J. and Bertha (Hartford) Thibault Sr. He was a graduate of Haverhill Trade School.

He worked for the Town of Bow Highway Department for 10 years, a job he truly enjoyed, until he retired in 2013.

Wilfred was a true outdoorsman who enjoyed hunting, fishing, camping, and horseshoes. He especially enjoyed spending time at his family camp, "Doe's Lodge" in Bloomfield, VT. He was also a devoted Red Sox fan.

He was predeceased by two sisters, Mary Huckins and Emily Jewell. He is now reunited with his four legged friend, "Stretch."

Wilfred is survived by his wife of 47 years, Deborah (LaPointe) Thibault of Loudon; a son, Ryan Thibault and his wife, Erica of Penacook; a daughter, Rene Bolduc and her husband, Derek of Loudon; three grandchildren, Hailey, Mason, and Riley; one brother, Edward Thibault of Brentwood; four sisters, Eva Hodgins of Mississippi, Norma Kezer of Derry, Priscilla Pope of Atkinson and Katherine Tebo of East Kingston; as well as numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Memorial donations may be made to the ALS Northern New England Chapter, 10 Ferry Street, Suite 438, Concord, NH 03301 or to the CRVNA Hospice Program, 30 Pillsbury Street, Concord, NH 03301.

ALLISON MAE HARDY

Allison Mae Hardy, 35, passed away unexpectedly Wednesday, March 29, 2017. She was the daughter of Jeff and Mary Hardy of Loudon. Allison was born in Concord and attended Merrimack Valley High school, graduating in 2000. Allison had an infectious smile along with the most beautiful icy blue eyes. She attended Loudon Elementary School and participated in various activities including girl scouts and town baseball. She loved playing with her cousins and entertained family members at birthday parties dressing up and role playing in musical skits. She and her brother spent countless hours outside with the boys next door building forts and playing in the sandbox.

As a child, she was introduced to and took a liking to fishing and spent many family vacations at Moosehead Lake in Maine. Other family adventures included kayaking, biking, rafting and cross country skiing. Whether in the pool or the lake she was an avid swimmer, despite nagging ear infections when having to wear the

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"dreaded ear plugs and bathing cap." In high school, she was a member of the ski club where her high degree of persistence emerged after countless spills and falls, never giving up. On one of her summer vacations Allison joined the Student Conservation Association and spent six weeks in the New Hampshire woods reconstructing a mountain side trail.

She possessed an extraordinary skill of puzzle making and for a time sold unique framed pieces. Allison loved horses and had an extensive painted pony collection proudly displayed in her apartment. The most important thing to Allison was family and celebrating the holidays together. She loved Halloween and would start decorating in September. She was always up for a scary movie particularly after trick-or-treating which became a family tradition. She so loved her two children and enjoyed fun filled afternoons with them at Elm Brook State Park. Allison referred to these kids as her "miracle babies" and her mission in life was to provide a good life and make them happy.

Allison had numerous obstacles to overcome but was never without a smile and would always help anyone in need. She learned to appreciate the little and simple things in life, never giving up on personal goals no matter the odds. Her heart was big and her spirit strong.

In addition to her parents, Allison is survived by her two children, Tyson and Irish, ages six and three respectively; brother, Lucas and his wife, Monica; as well as numerous aunts, uncles and cousins. She was predeceased by her maternal and paternal grandparents.

In lieu of flowers, donations in Allison's memory may be made to St Paul's church, or to our GoFundMe campaign for Tyson and Irish.

MARLENE "ALICE" FRIEDA BAILEY

Marlene "Alice" Frieda (Duff) Bailey of Loudon passed away peacefully surrounded by her children, family, and friends on Tuesday, April 4, 2017, at the Epsom Healthcare Center.

Marlene was born in Franklin to parents Elsie (Hutchinson) Duff and Albert Duff. Marlene graduated from the New Hampshire State Hospital of nursing in 1959 with her RN degree, and work there for over 35 years.

Marlene enjoyed the outdoors, was a self-taught carpenter and artist who loved to build and paint. She enjoyed spending time with her three grand-daughters and her five grand-pugs.

Library Trustees Meeting Minutes — March 6, 2017

Molly Ashland called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m., seconded by Carrie James.

In Attendance:

Trustees Molly Ashland, Alice Tuson, Carrie James, Alternate Herb Huckins, Diane Miller; Library Director Deborah Gadwah-Lambert

Acceptance of minutes:

The Trustees reviewed the minutes from the February meeting. *Molly moved to accept; seconded by Alice. All were in favor. Amended minutes from February meeting were reviewed, Alice motioned to accept seconded by Molly.*

The trustees reviewed the Director's Report, which consisted of the following:

Programs:

The *Gross Me Out* program was a big hit with attendees and was covered by the Concord Monitor. Another program will be planned for April Vacation.

Building Maintenance and Repairs:

Two of the furnaces for the meeting room and the main library were red flagged during an inspection and had to be replaced. Both were replaced by Huckleberry Feb. 23 and 24th. The burner and the tanks passed inspection.

Due to furnace issues, renovations to the meeting room have been put on hold for the moment. Estimates are still being obtained for flooring and paint.

The banking between library parking and the lot below has washed out; fill was put in to temporarily fix by the town on 3/6.

New Business:

All employee's emergency contacts are being updated.

The next Trustees' meeting was scheduled for 4/3/2017 at 5 p.m.

Adjournment:

Molly made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:30 p.m. seconded by Carrie. All were in favor.

She was a loving and proud mother, grandmother and friend.

Marlene is survived by her husband and friend, William H. Bailey of Barnstead; her daughter, Lisa M. Neuman and her husband Jeff of Freedom, Maine; her son Timothy W. Bailey of Manchester; and her three beloved grand-daughters Michaela Wirth of Portland, Maine, Elianna and Olivia Wirth of Freedom, Maine. Her brothers Larry Duff and wife Cathy of Northern California and Robert Duff and his life partner, Nick Greamo, of Farmington.

The family would like to extend special thanks to the nurses and staff at the Epsom Healthcare Center. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Epsom Healthcare Activities Department, 901 Suncook Valley Highway, Epsom, 03234.

FREDERICK LEE CADARETTE

After a time of declining health, Frederick Lee Cadarette, 87, passed away Friday, April 7, 2017. He was predeceased by his beloved wife of 62 years, Joann Cadarette. He leaves three children. One son, Matthew Nathan and his wife, Ronna and their twins, Chayleigh and Colton Cadarette. Two daughters, Pamela L. Moser and husband, Timothy K. Moser. Lastly, Joy Lee Cadarette, her son, Gregory and wife, Jeannie and their daughter, Ellyanna Joann Cadarette. Also, Mikayla W. Fiske is Fred and Joann's first great-granddaughter.

Fred often enjoyed jokes and pranks; this is HIS obituary request: "'FRED'S DEAD...ENOUGH SAID!'" ■

Conservation Commission Meeting Minutes — March 6, 2017**Members in attendance:**

Sandra Blanchard, Rob Buzzell, and Julie Robinson Alternates in attendance: Polly Touzin

Others in attendance:

Jeff Moore

The Loudon Conservation Commission met on March 6, 2017 at 6 p.m. in Charlie's Barn. Chairman Buzzell opened the meeting with discussion about the February planning board meeting. Nothing was discussed at the planning board meeting that was within the purview of the commission.

Chairman Buzzell talked with the membership about the schedule for planning board coverage and who would be taking which months this year.

Chairman Buzzell asked if there was any old or new business to discuss, to which there was none. Chairman Buzzell made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Polly Touzin. The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Rob Buzzell, Chair

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — March 7, 2017**Present:**

Chairman Krieger, Selectman Ives and Selectman Fiske.

Also present was Fire Chief Rick Wright.

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

Selectman Ives moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Wednesday, February 28, 2017 as written. Seconded by Selectman Fiske. All in favor. Motion carried.

Chairman Krieger read the following from a deed that the Board agreed to sign: *The Town of Loudon, a municipal corporation, having a mailing address of 29 South Village Road, P.O. Box 7837, Loudon, New Hampshire 03307 grants to Ronald Lee*

Magoon And Lori Lee Magoon, Trustees of The Magoon Family Trust, with a mailing of address of 134 Sterling Drive, Franklin, New Hampshire 03235 with Quitclaim Covenants. Chairman Krieger said this is in regards to Map 58, Lot 75. The Board signed the deed agreeing that Mr. and Mrs. Magoon must submit the \$4,000 and sign the deed before it is recorded.

The Board met with Fire Chief Rick Wright.

Chief Wright explained that the security system is up and running at Station 2.

Chief Wright said he received a letter from the Clough Pond Association President regarding water testing at the town beach this summer. Chief Wright explained

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that Mr. Edwards is advocating more testing. Chairman Krieger said they do a good job watching the pond but he thinks the town does enough testing. Chief Wright said he responded to Mr. Edward and said that they'll do their regular testing and if counts come back high like last year the will do more testing. Selectman Ives said hopefully we get more rain this summer and won't have a problem.

Chief Wright thanked Chairman Krieger for all the help and support he has given to the fire department and him personally over the years. Chairman Krieger said he appreciates everything Chief Wright has done. He said the fire department works very hard; they have a lot of good people and they can't have good people without a good leader.

Selectman Ives said they asked the fire department to bring the flags in for town meeting.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received the equalization report from NH Department of Revenue Administration.

The Board received a letter from Upton & Hatfield regarding the Fairpoint litigation and a settlement update.

The Board received the Highway Block Grant third quarter payment in the amount of \$34,503.03.

The Board received a Crimeline grant application.

The Board received a Northern New England Telephone (Fairpoint) 2016 Tax Abatement application.

The Board received a J.O. Cate Van Driver certification for Cynthia Brown. Chairman Krieger thanked Ms. Brown and the Cate Van for their hard work. He suggested that if anyone has time to volunteer they are always looking for additional volunteers.

The Board received the J.O. Cate Van minutes for January 26, 2017 and scheduling reports for October through January.

The Board received a Fairpoint letter regarding being acquired by Consolidated Communications.

Chairman Krieger explained that last week the recycling committee was in to discuss getting tote bags to hand out on Earth Day to people that recycle. He said they received four quotes. Chairman Krieger said the best option looks like it would be the ones from Say It In Stitches. The Board agreed with that.

Chairman Krieger recognized Carole Soule from the audience.

Ms. Soule asked if they could have space to put a file cabinet in the community building to keep the agriculture commission paperwork in. Selectman Ives asked that she wait until the new building is done and they'll see what they have for room.

Ms. Soule said she is a member of the Loudon Democrat group. They are wondering if they can meet in the community building and if the fee can be waived. Chairman Krieger said Charlie's Barn is rented to

any group that wants to and there is a fee. He said he would be uncomfortable waiving the fee for one party. Ms. Soule asked if they would waive the fee if she contacted the Republican committee and they also wanted to meet there. Chairman Krieger said personally he would not want to do that. He's okay with them renting for their meetings but not for giving it to them for meetings. Selectman Ives agreed with Chairman Krieger. He explained that they waive the fee as a benefit for a town employee, for scouts, etc. He said people that use it for birthday parties and things like that have to pay for it and he would categorize political parties the same way. Selectman Fiske agreed.

Chairman Krieger read the following: *The Loudon Select Board will hold a duly-noticed public meeting on Tuesday, March 7 at 6:30 p.m. at the Community Building, 29 South Village Road in Loudon, NH to adopt the Loudon Hazard Mitigation Plan Update 2017 developed by the Hazard Mitigation Committee with the assistance of the Central NH Regional Planning Commission. The Plan's update, required by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) every five years, will enable the Town to regain eligibility of Federal disaster recovery and mitigation grant funding. The Plan has been awarded Approvable Pending Adoption. (APA) status by NH Homeland Security and Emergency Management and now requires the Board's adoption before formal approval can be*

issued. Copies of the Loudon Hazard Mitigation Plan Update 2017 and its maps will be available for viewing at the Town Office and Library by February 27.

Chief Wright explained that this plan was updated and approved by the Loudon Hazard Mitigation committee the first half of 2016, a public information meeting was held June 7, 2016. He explained that extensive changes were required by FEMA before it could be adopted. Chief Wright said it was updated and reviewed. He said this final version includes all the required changes. Chief Wright said NH Homeland Security and Emergency Management has completed its review; its ready for adoption by the Loudon Selectboard. Chief Wright explained that following this it goes to FEMA for final approval. Chief Wright submitted four copies that need signatures by the Selectmen. He explained that this plan is updated every five years and keeps Loudon eligible to apply for Federal Emergency and Disaster Grants. Selectman Ives asked who was on the committee. Chief Wright said there were a lot of people; he will get a list.

Selectman Ives made a motion to accept the Hazard Mitigation Plan as presented by the Fire Chief and formed by the Hazard Mitigation Committee in the year 2017. Seconded by Selectman Fiske. Selectman Ives thanked the committee for their work. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board received the following dates and reminders.

Monday, March 13th at 6:30 p.m. in the Community Building the Loudon State Representatives and Deputy Commissioner of Health & Human Services Lori Shibi-nette will be there to discuss health insurance.

Tuesday, March 14th from 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. is Town Elections.

Friday, March 17th from 10 a.m.–12 p.m. and 4 p.m.–6 p.m. there is an Open House at the new Town Office.

Saturday, March 18th at 9 a.m. is Town Meeting at the school.

Dustin Bowles reminded everyone that the school board meeting is Thursday night.

Selectman Ives thanked Chairman Krieger for being a Selectman for six years. He said he did a fine job. Selectman Fiske agreed. Chairman Krieger thanked the townspeople, he said it's been a quick six years, it was a lot of fun, they got a lot done, he never put himself first, he had to make some tough decisions but he really appreciates the opportunity to serve. He said as he's said many times; this is the best town. He encouraged everyone to get out and vote next week.

Selectman Ives moved to adjourn at 6:36 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Fiske. All in favor. Motion carried.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Robert P. Krieger, Chairman
Steven R. Ives, Selectman
Robert N. Fiske, Selectman

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — March 21, 2017**Present:**

Selectman Ives and Selectman Fiske.

Selectman Ives called the meeting to order at 6:20 p.m.

Selectman Fiske moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, March 7, 2017 as written. Seconded by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received an Employee's Military Orders.

The Board received a letter from the Canterbury Planning Board regarding NHMS.

The Board received information from Nobis Engineering regarding a sample testing update.

The Board received a check from Primex for the cruiser damage.

The Board received the 2019–2028 Transportation Improvement Program Ten Year Update information from Central NH Regional Planning Commission (CNHRPC)

The Board received the CNHRPC Transportation Data Collection program information.

The Board received a public notice regarding the Merrimack County budget.

The Board received a letter from DRA regarding the USPAP report.

The Board received the ESMI self-report for January and February.

The Board received a list of the members of the Hazard Mitigation Committee. They are; Bob Akerstrom, Kris Burgess, Lance Houle, Bill Lake, Deb Gadwah-Lambert, Brenda Pearl, Stan Prescott, Julie Robinson, Donna White, Rick Wright, Tom Blanchette, Dustin Bowles, Roger Maxfield, Fred Reagan, and Laura Vincent. Selectman Ives thanked the member of the committee for their time and effort.

The Board received the Maxfield Library minutes for Feb. 7, 2017.

The Board received the Agriculture Commission minutes for Feb. 2, 2017.

The Board received a letter from Mike Harris regarding road and bridge conditions. The Board also received a response from the town attorney regarding this letter.

The Board received an abutter notice for Map, 20, Lot 59.

The Board received a change order for new town office from the electrician.

The Board received rental invoices for the storage trailer.

The Board received a memo regarding a Domestic partner rider.

The Board received a memo regarding an employee's vacation pay.

Selectman Fiske moved to go into non-public session per RSA 91-A: 3, II (c) at

6:42 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Ives. Roll call vote: Ives – yes; Fiske – yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Fiske moved to come out of non-public session at 7:00 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Ives. Roll call vote: Ives – yes; Fiske – yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Fiske moved to seal the minutes for five years; seconded by Selectman Ives. Roll call vote: Ives – yes; Fiske – yes.

Selectman Fiske moved to go into non-public session per RSA 91-A: 3, II (a) at 7:24 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Ives. Roll call vote: Ives – yes; Fiske – yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Fiske moved to come out of non-public session at 7:35 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Ives. Roll call vote: Ives – yes; Fiske – yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Fiske moved to seal the minutes for five years; seconded by Selectman Ives. Roll call vote: Ives – yes; Fiske – yes.

Selectman Fiske moved to adjourn at 7:35 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Motion carried.

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Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — March 28, 2017

Present:

Selectman Ives, Selectman Fiske and Selectman Miller.

Also present was Fire Chief Rick Wright, Road Agent Lance Houle and Police Chief Kris Burgess.

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

Selectman Fiske moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, March 21, 2017 as written. Seconded by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Motion carried.

Selectman Fiske made a motion to appoint Selectman Ives as Chairman of the Selectboard. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board met with Fire Chief Rick Wright.

Chief Wright explained that based on the approval of warrant article 6, False Fire Alarm Ordinance, at the Town Meeting on March 18, 2017 he recommends the Selectboard adopt the following fee schedule as discuss and agreed to at the Selectmen's Meeting on December 22, 2016. Structures within Loudon that are protected by a fire alarm and/or sprinkler system are allowed 2 false alarms during a 12-month period at no charge. A false alarm is defined as an alarm activation or sprinkler activation due to a malfunction. After 2 false alarms a charge of \$50.00 is assessed. After 5 false alarms a charge of \$100.00 is assessed. *Selectman Fiske made a motion to accept the fee schedule presented by Chief Wright. Seconded by Selectman Miller. Chairman Ives clarified that Chief Wright can assess the fees at his discretion. Chief Wright explained that this was brought forward because of inaction by commercial properties in town. All in favor. Motion carried.*

Chief Wright submitted an email that verified the formal approval of the Loudon Hazard Mitigation Plan dated March 16, 2017. He explained the plan is good for five years.

The Board met with Road Agent Lance Houle.

Mr. Houle said his overtime budget is running very close.

Mr. Houle explained that truck #5, a 2007, has a built-in sander which has a torn belt. He said a new belt in \$5,000. Mr. Houle said they have the belt on the floor of the garage trying to get it back together so they can use the truck.

Mr. Houle said that he has been talking to Stan Prescott about Old Shaker Road and the traffic that goes through there. He said Lovejoy and Flagg roads have stop signs onto Old Shaker but he would like to make those four way stops because of the way traffic goes right along. He asked the board to think about doing that. Chief Burgess said he finds himself always stopping even without the stop sign because he has seen cars go right through so he knows what Mr. Houle is talking about.

Chairman Ives said he received two phone calls about a big pothole on the corner of Clough Pond where it comes off 106. Mr. Houle said he will take a look at it.

Chairman Ives said the upstairs of the new office is going to be done soon. He suggested that maybe when the highway department has some time here or there before they get busy with their spring work they could start moving the furniture into

the building. Mr. Houle said he is against that because he didn't pack the trailer so that the upstairs furniture is first to come out of the storage trailer. Chairman Ives said he didn't realize how it is packed so if it won't work out he is fine with that.

The Board met with Police Chief Kris Burgess.

Chief Burgess introduced Garrett Beck to the Board. He said he would like to hire him to fill the open full-time position with the department. Mr. Beck is currently part time with Hebron and Marine patrol. Chief Burgess said they did a background check everything came out good. Chairman Ives clarified that Mr. Beck is certified part-time. Chief Burgess said that is correct so he can be utilized for as many hours as he needs to; he would need to go through the academy. He said they will try to get him into the academy this summer; worst case scenario he'll go in the fall. Chairman Ives asked Mr. Beck where he lives. He said Laconia. Selectman Miller asked when he started part time. Mr. Beck said in 2013. Chief Burgess submitted an appointment paper for the Board to their consideration. *Selectman Miller made a motion to accept Garrett Beck as a full-time officer with a 12-month probation period. Seconded by Selectman Fiske. Selectman Fiske asked if the probation period would start after he finishes the academy. Chief Burgess said probation would start tonight if he is hired. Selectman Fiske asked if Mr. Beck would be getting part-time pay. Chief Burgess proposed that he start at \$20.50 because of his experience. Selectman Fiske asked what the lowest part-time person currently make. Chief Burgess said \$19.98. Chairman Ives clarified he will be working full-time. Chief Burgess said that is correct. All were in favor of hiring Mr. Beck full-time at \$20.50 per hour. Motion carried.*

Chief Burgess submitted business licenses and appointment papers for the track for both the July and September races. Chairman Ives said they usually hold off until September until after the July race. Selectman Fiske asked if the \$100 annual business license has been paid. Ms. Morin said yes.

Chief Burgess said that during the storm on March 14th the police department lost power as well as their main server. He recognized Janice Morin for getting them back up; she spent a lot of time, after hours and before hours to get them back up and running.

Chief Burgess said a couple of weeks ago Ken Bean did a great job painting the booking room and bathroom. He offered to paint the front foyer and hallway for the same price. Chief Burgess said that is almost double the work. The Board agreed that the work can be done.

Selectman Fiske moved to go into non-public session per RSA 91-A: 3, II (a) at 6:25 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Miller. Roll call vote: Ives — yes; Fiske — yes; Miller — yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Miller moved to come out of non-public session at 6:38 p.m.; seconded by Chairman Ives. Roll call vote: Ives — yes; Fiske — yes; Miller — yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Fiske moved to seal the minutes for five years; seconded by Selectman Miller. Roll call vote: Ives — yes;

Fiske — yes; Miller — yes. Chairman Ives said the meeting was to discuss personnel issues regarding the new positions for the fire department with Chief Wright.

Selectman Fiske moved to go into non-public session per RSA 91-A: 3, II (c) at 6:41 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Miller. Roll call vote: Ives — yes; Fiske — yes; Miller — yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Miller moved to come out of non-public session at 6:58 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Fiske. Roll call vote: Ives — yes; Fiske — yes; Miller — yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Chairman Ives said they discussed zoning issues and lack of enforcement with a resident.

Selectman Fiske moved to go into non-public session per RSA 91-A: 3, II (a) at 6:59 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Miller. Roll call vote: Ives — yes; Fiske — yes; Miller — yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Miller moved to come out of non-public session at 7:12 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Fiske. Roll call vote: Ives — yes; Fiske — yes; Miller — yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Chairman Ives said they discussed a pistol permit.

Chief Burgess stated that Janice Morin did not leak any information from the police department. He said that through internal investigations it was discovered that she was not involved in this. Chief Burgess said it is his duty to bring it to the town's attention that she had no responsibility for this. Chairman Ives explained that there was a rumor that personal information was leaked from the police department; the Chief reassured them that Janice Morin had nothing to do with any leak nor was any information

leaked; it was disseminated in the proper channels.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received notification from NHDOT regarding rehabilitation of two bridges on Route 106. They will be working on the bridge just south of Wales Bridge road and the bridge just north of the intersection of 129 and 106.

The Board received a letter from the Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church regarding using the Town Hall. The church will not be using the downstairs of the hall any longer. The church would like to store the tables and chairs there for the time being.

The Board received the Cate Van Minutes for February 23, 2017.

Selectman Miller moved to go into non-public session per RSA 91-A: 3, II (a) at 7:22 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Fiske. Roll call vote: Ives — yes; Fiske — yes; Miller — yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Miller moved to come out of non-public session at 7:42 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Fiske. Roll call vote: Ives — yes; Fiske — yes; Miller — yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Chairman Ives said they discussed non-payment of taxes.

Selectman Fiske moved to adjourn at 7:43 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Steven R. Ives, Selectman
Robert N. Fiske, Selectman
Jeffrey C. Miller, Selectman

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — April 4, 2017

Present:

Chairman Ives, Selectman Fiske and Selectman Miller.

Also present was Police Chief Kris Burgess.

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

Selectman Miller moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, March 28, 2017 as written. Seconded by Selectman Fiske. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board met with Police Chief Kris Burgess.

Chief Burgess said there are six items that he would like to purchase out of this year's budget for the cruiser that will be bought out of the next budget. He said the items are things like decals, radios, etc.; the total is \$2,900. Chief Burgess said he has plenty of money in his budget. Chairman Ives said he would like it to all come out of

one line so that it's easier to keep track of. The Board agreed that Chief Burgess can make the purchases.

The Board met with Tax Collector Helen McNeil.

Chairman Ives said that he asked Mrs. McNeil to come over because they have some properties that might be taken for taxes and he would like her to explain the steps to doing that. She explained that in April, following the second bill that goes out in the fall, a lien notice is sent out. She said that two years and one day after that lien notice is sent, if no payments are made, the town can take the property for nonpayment of taxes. Chairman Ives clarified that they can take a property but they don't have to. Mrs. McNeil agreed and said they don't have to but also, they shouldn't not take a deed just to benefit a property owner; they have to have a good reason. Chairman said

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if it's a detriment to the town they don't have to take it. Mrs. McNeil said they can allow payment plans and as long as the property owner keeps up with it they don't have to take the property but if they stop paying and don't keep up with the plan the property can be deeded. Mrs. McNeil explained that for the deeding process she sends a copy of the late notice that she sent two years ago, all the lien notices, deed notices. She also said she calls, she sends reminder notices. Mrs. McNeil explained that once the Selectmen decide which properties to deed, she deeds them and then it becomes the Selectmen's decision on what to do with them. Chairman Ives asked if the property owner has any rights after that. Mrs. McNeil said the owners can repurchase the property; however, they would need to pay everything that was owed on the property including all taxes, fees, and penalties. Chairman Ives clarified that the list that Mrs. McNeil just gave them has four highlighted names on it and those are the ones that they should consider deeding. Mrs. McNeil said for the public that the Selectmen are great working with people; but for some people it doesn't matter how much you do, it's just not enough. Alicia Kingsbury asked if she can see the list. Mrs. McNeil said it would be official tomorrow.

Selectman Fiske moved to go into non-public session per RSA 91-A: 3, II (c) at 6:14 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Miller. Roll call vote: Ives — yes; Fiske — yes; Miller — yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Miller moved to come out of non-public session at 6:34 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Fiske. Roll call vote: Ives — yes; Fiske — yes; Miller — yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Fiske moved to seal the minutes for five years; seconded by Selectman Miller. Roll call vote: Ives — yes; Fiske — yes; Miller — yes. Chairman Ives said the meeting was to discuss a personnel issue with the Police Chief.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received the Town meeting minutes from the Town Clerk.

The Board received an email from the Communications Council regarding the new website that was approved at town meeting. The Board will take this under advisement.

The Board received a request from Chief Wright to refund an ambulance fee. The Board agreed to the refund.

The Board received information from CWS Fence & Guardrail regarding replacing guardrail along Rt 129 between 106 and Ridge Road beginning April 5th and completing the end of June.

The Board received a question from the library as to who is responsible for the hill on the backside of the library. Chairman Ives said there is a washout. The Selectman agreed that it is the town's responsibility. Chairman Ives said he will contact the Road Agent and discuss it with him.

The Board received an invoice to be sent to the Town of Gilmanston for plowing of Upper City Road. The Board agreed to \$2,750.

The Board received the Landfill Post-Closure Inspection Report for 2016.

The Board received the CNHRPC Transportation Data Collection Program for 2017.

The Board received a thank you letter from Louise Andrus for the invitation to candidate's night.

The Board received Committee Appointment Papers. *Selectman Fiske made a motion to appoint the following people:*

AGRICULTURAL COMMITTEE:
Carole Soule, Member, Term expires: 2017, 1-Year Term

Bruce Dawson, Member, Term expires: 2017, 1-Year Term

CONSERVATION COMMISSION:
Robert Buzzell, Chairman, Term expires: 2017, 1-Year Term

LIBRARY TRUSTEE:
Herbert Huckins, Jr., Alternate, Term expires: 2017, 1-Year Term

Diane Miller, Alternate, Term expires: 2017, 1-Year Term

RECREATION COMMITTEE:
Alicia Grimaldi, Member, Term expires: 2017, 1-Year Term

Amanda Masse, Member, Term expires: 2017, 1-Year Term

Jennifer Pfeifer, Member, Term expires: 2017, 1-Year Term

Laurie Jaquith, Member, Term expires: 2017, 1-Year Term

SOLID WASTE/RECYCLING COMMITTEE:

Lee Ann Childress, Member, Term expires: 2017, 1-Year Term

Barbara Parent, Member, Term expires: 2017, 1-Year Term

Barbara Burr, Member, Term expires: 2017, 1-Year Term

Becky Flint, Member, Term expires: 2017, 1-Year Term

WELFARE OFFICER:
Roger Maxfield, Welfare Officer, Term expires: 2017, 1-Year Term

Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.

Chairman Ives recognized Janice Morin from the Loudon Communications Council. Ms. Morin explained that there is a lot of paperwork and probably three to four months of work to get the new website up and running. She said it is understood that the \$6,000 will not be available until July 1, 2017 but signing the contract will give them the ability to start creating the website. Chairman Ives asked that the Communications Council come in next week to discuss the contract.

Selectman Fiske moved to adjourn at 7:00 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Miller. All in favor. Motion carried.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Steven R. Ives, Selectman
Robert N. Fiske, Selectman
Jeffrey C. Miller, Selectman

Planning Board & CNHRPC Meeting Minutes — March 16, 2017**Attendance:**

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

The meeting began at 6:00 p.m.

Mike Tardiff began the meeting by talking about the trails committee and an upcoming meeting with NH DOT. The trails committee is starting to grow and they will be meeting with NH DOT on March 17th.

Mr. Tardiff spoke about the urgency to move the Chichester Road/106 project closer. Vice Chairman said they need to urge the Selectmen to write a letter of concern about the intersection. Mr. Tardiff said that with NHMS cutting back a race this puts the

town in a good place to push for this intersection as the speedway project as they will be having much less traffic. Mr. Ives believes that the track will gain other events to replace the race. Mr. Bowles suggested a letter from the fire and police department would be good as well.

Mr. Tardiff brought in the Land Use chapter of the master plan and asked board members to take time over the next few weeks to make corrections and send them back in.

The board set a date and time April 20, 2017 to meet with Mike Tardiff at 6:00 p.m.

Submitted by
Danielle Bosco

Planning Board Meeting Minutes — March 16, 2017

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

Attendance:

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

Bill Lake from the Fire Department and Pauline Touzin from Conservation were in attendance.

Acceptance of Minutes:

February 16, 2017 Regular Meeting — Mr. Saunderson made a motion to approve the minutes as written; seconded by Mr. Huntington. All were in favor. Motion carried.

February 16, 2017 CNHRPC Meeting — Mrs. Tuson said that Mr. Ives name needs to be removed as he was not present at the meeting. Mr. Huntington made a motion to approve the minutes with the corrections; seconded by Mr. Saunderson. All others were in favor. Motion carried.

Discussion:

David McGrath, NHMS, Country Music Festival — Wilbur Glahn from McLane Middleton law office was present with Mr. McGrath. Several members from Canterbury Planning Board were present, Jim Snyder, Hillary Nelson, Joshua Gordon and Tyson Miller. Mr. McGrath said they are looking to hold a country music festival in the summer of 2018 on tax map 61/6 and 52/15. Mr. McGrath explained that they are using a promoter called Live Nation, the event will run from 2 p.m.–10:30 p.m. for three days (Friday, Saturday, Sunday) and would be located in parking lot S6. Mr. McGrath asked what type of site plan would be needed. Mr. Saunderson asked Mr. McGrath if he agreed this should be regional impact. Mr. McGrath said he can see where it could be. Mrs. Tuson asked how many tickets they expect to sell. Mr. McGrath said roughly 20,000 tickets per day but there will be people camping for the

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weekend. Mr. Saunderson asked where tickets would be purchased for this event. Mr. McGrath said they would be purchased primarily on Ticketmaster. Mr. Saunderson questioned the use not being permitted in that zone. Mr. Glahn spoke about it being considered a permitted use in one of the lots that is zoned commercial under accessory to a sports facility. The other lot that is to be used is zoned rural residential and Mr. Glahn stated that it would be allowed under outdoor event venue. Chairman Dow said that this will be something that they will have to look into further. Mr. Saunderson said that it states in the zoning ordinance that the outdoor event venue is permitted for non-recurring events. Mr. Glahn said there is no definition for what non recurring means. Mr. Saunderson asked if Mr. McGrath agreed that this should be a change of use. Mr. Glahn said he does not believe it should be but if the planning board determines they would require a change of use then they will do so. Mr. Ives said he appreciated Mr. McGrath for being cooperative and understands they are a big part of Loudon's tax base and they do want to see the track succeed. Mr. Ives also said they will be treated as any other business in town, no better or worse and they will have to go through the same process as any other business would. Mr. Glahn said that he has had conversations with the town attorney and was advised to speak with the Planning Board. Mr. Saunderson said the track has many things to address with the most important thing being the covenant. Mr. Glahn said they spoke with Loudon's town attorney about this matter and he believes that the attorney agrees that Loudon has no right to enforce the covenants. Mr. Glahn also stated the covenant reads the property currently owned by the speedway shall not hold concerts unless a race is happening. At the time of this agreement the two parcels that the track wants to hold the country music festival on were not owned by NHMS stated Mr. Glahn. Mr. Glahn said that if Loudon tries to fight this then NHMS will bring them to court. Mr. Saunderson said they are all trying to completely understand the track's plans and this is only a discussion at this time. Tyson Miller a Canterbury Planning Board member said he wants to make sure this will require a regional impact notice. Mr. Jakubowski, a Loudon resident, questioned how many times this event will be held, once per year or is there a possibility to have maybe 8 concerts per year? Mr. McGrath said right now they plan on having this music festival once per year but he is a business and it could possibly turn into more. Mr. Jakubowski asked if they are allowed to have concerts, why are they here? Chairman Dow said so they can make sure these are planned properly and the public is notified. Mr. Jakubowski asked if they are using the track to bring power, food, water, and other things to support the concert located on this separate lot. Mr. McGrath said, yes, they

would be using the facility for phone, electric, and what they may need. Vice Chairman Prescott said they do support the track as a business and they want to see them succeed, they should meet as a board with the town attorney. Mr. McGrath asked the board what they need from NHMS as far as a site plan. Mr. Saunderson said they aren't sure they can answer that, they would like to speak with the town attorney. Mr. Ives asked what type of time frame they are looking to have this completed. Mr. McGrath said they hope to announce a concert will be happening during the July 16th race. Mr. Huntington said he does believe this would be considered regional impact, he agrees the board should talk with the town attorney and he believes this should require a site plan. Mr. Huntington questioned the zoning of the property and believes they would need a variance. Mr. Cole thanked Mr. McGrath for being upfront and coming to the town. Linda Cote, a Loudon resident, is opposed on having a music festival at the track. Mrs. Cote said they are holding this on a separate lot to get around the covenant because NHMS doesn't want to deal with Canterbury. Mrs. Cote said this will bring lots of people to the area, this will bring lots of noise, the traffic will be horrible just like when they hold race events she cannot get onto 106. Mrs. Cote said they need to follow the covenants the track agreed to. Mrs. Cote also asked if they will be directing traffic right onto 106 or onto a back road. Chairman Dow said it will be right at the main entrance. Mr. Saunderson asked NHMS for deeds of the property they are wishing to hold the concert. Chairman Dow said they will schedule a meeting with the town attorney and will reach out to NHMS after.

Dennis Jakubowski, dark sky ordinance — Mr. Jakubowski brought to the Board an example of a light ordinance. Mr. Jakubowski said they should add to the zoning ordinance a lighting plan. Chairman Dow said when people come in for a site plan they do request to see a light plan and the lights must face down. Chairman Dow said that the light regulations are in the land use regulation handbook not the zoning ordinance. Mr. Jakubowski was concerned that there was nothing in writing and was relieved to hear there is.

Peter Parisey, car sales, M????L???? — Mr. Parisey approached the board to discuss running a car repair and sales out of a garage bay at Harry O's Electric. Chairman Dow said that there is already a special exception in place for the garage bays to run auto sales with a restriction of 2 cars that must remain stored inside the garage bays. Mr. Parisey is looking for have a maximum of 10 cars that will be stored on the backside of the building. Mr. Bowles said that would make it a used car sales lot and that is not what the special exception is for. Mr. Moore said that would require a change of use and site plan. Mr. Ives stated that if they allowed Mr. Parisey to sell up to 10 cars out of the storage bays they would also have to allow the other person renting a garage bay to sell

up to 10 cars and now the lot would be holding up to 20 cars. Chairman Dow said this property is a laundry mat and the intent was not to have lots of cars being sold from the property, they are allowing the property owner to rent the bays to have some income. Mr. Prescott said everything should stay inside and the outside needs to stay neat. Chairman Dow said we can talk about having 2 cars on the lot but limitations need to be set.

Old Business:
None

New Business:
None

Report of the Board of Permit:
None

Report of ZBA:
Variance for Jay's Auto to expand sales onto abutting property.

Board Discussion:
Chairman Dow informed the board that he has instructed the planning board's

administrative assistant Mrs. Bosco to reach out to the office manager Mrs. Pearl to schedule the meeting with the selectmen and the town attorney. Chairman Dow suggested getting this meeting scheduled as soon as possible so if NHMS wants to come into the next meeting they are prepared.

Board members voted for Chairman and Vice Chairman. *Mr. Cole made a motion to re-appoint Mr. Dow to serve as Chairman, seconded by Mr. Huntington; all were in favor. Mr. Cole made a motion to re-appoint Mr. Prescott to serve as Vice Chairman, seconded by Mr. Huntington; all were in favor.*

Adjournment:
Mr. Cole made a motion to adjourn at 8:25 p.m.; seconded by Mr. Huntington. All were in favor.

*Submitted by,
Danielle Bosco
Administrative Assistant*

Planning Board Meeting Minutes — March 23, 2017

Meeting called to order at 5:15 p.m. by Chairman Tom Dow.

Attendance:

Chairman Tom Dow, Vice Chairman Stanley Prescott, Tom Moore, George Saunderson, Henry Huntington, Steve Ives and alternates Alice Tuson and Dustin Bowles.

Chairman Dow appointed Mrs. Tuson and Mr. Bowles to voting members.

Board Discussion:

NHMS, Country Music Festival- The board held a special public hearing after meeting with the town attorney to discuss a possible country music festival at NHMS. Mr. Ives made a motion to move forward with accepting a site plan application from NHMS; seconded by Mr. Huntington. Mr. Ives explained that after talking with the town attorney it would be in the best interest of the town to accept the application from NHMS. Mr. Ives explained that this will avoid any legal fees for the town and doesn't mean they must approve the application. Mr. Bowles asked the board if they should vote on regional impact now. Vice Chairman Prescott said this would be a

good idea so they come in with the proper fees and the board can move forward with the application when it's presented. Mr. Bowles made a motion this application would be regional impact; seconded by Mr. Huntington; all in favor. Chairman Dow said once the application is accepted as complete at a public hearing they will discuss zoning. RJ Harding was present in the audience as a representative of Meadowbrook. Mr. Harding asked if they require seeing an application at the planning board meeting prior to being sent to the zoning board. Mr. Huntington said they will discuss a possible zoning issue during the public hearing before sending NHMS in to the zoning board. Chairman Dow said they are making sure the process is done correctly.

Adjournment:
Mr. Huntington made a motion to adjourn at 5:25 p.m.; seconded by Mr. Moore. All were in favor.

*Submitted by,
Danielle Bosco
Administrative Assistant*

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Zoning Board Meeting Minutes — March 23, 2017

Present:

Chairman Ned Lizotte, Vice Chairman Howard Pearl, Roy Merrill, Charlie Aznive and Earl Tuson.

Minutes:

Regular Hearing — *Mr. Pearl made a motion to accept the minutes of January 26, 2017 as written; seconded by Mr. Tuson. All were in favor.*

Discussions:

Dennis Jakubowski and Peter Pitman were present in the audience to discuss becoming alternate board members. Mr. Pitman explained he would like to become more involved in the town that he has lived in for 40 years. Mr. Jakubowski explained he has lived in town for 33 years, he ran for Planning Board but didn't get in and would like to be involved with the town and possibly run in the future again.

Public Hearings:

Application #Z-17-02 & 03, Jay's Auto — Tim Bernier presented the application on behalf of property owner Mark Milligan. Mr. Bernier explained that Jay's Auto would like to expand business onto an abutting property map 20 lot 59 that is zoned R/R. Mr. Bernier explained that they would create a 50 ft. buffer of trees on the Wales Bridge road side and the new building would be built beyond that. Mr. Bernier also explained that they would remove the driveway located on Wales Bridge road and the only access point would be the one used currently for Jay's Auto on Map 20 lot 59. Mr. Bernier explained that the 3 lots located in that row are a cluster of R/R lots among C/I lots. Chairman Lizotte questioned why the need for a variance for the property and not a special exception. Mr. Bernier explained that it is not a permitted use and would require a variance. Mr. Tuson asked what the exact lot size of the land was and if a recent survey had been done. Chairman Lizotte said once the boundary line is removed this lot would become a C/I district with the majority of the lot being in the C/I district. Mr. Lizotte said variances are hard to approve. Mr. Bernier said that they need to go by what the map is zoned at and that is R/R. Vice Chairman Pearl asked if the board has authority to re-zone this lot. Mr. Merrill stated they do not, they only can grant the variance. Abutter Elaine Flick has concerns about water drainage and if the house located on the lot will stay. Mr. Bernier explained that there will be a drainage plan for the property and that will be dealt with the planning board, the house on the lot will be removed and a new office will be built. Abutter Justin Lavesque said he was happy to hear they are putting a buffer of trees but does have concern about the new building being 2 levels and still being able to see light as his property sits much lower. Abutter Warren King raised concerns about noise, light and water pollution. Mr. King says he can hear some noise currently but he is worried once they clear this lot of trees and expand this will add more of these issues. Jay Canney explained the new building will be a long 4 bay garage which should dull the noise of 106 and the lighting will only be security lighting. Mr. Lavesque raised concerns about once the property is granted the variance what other

uses it may hold in the future after Jay's Auto. Chairman Lizotte said that Mr. Lavesque would get notified if something different was done with this property. *Mr. Merrill made a motion to approve the variance for commercial use with the condition they keep a tree buffer with a setback of 50 feet. Mr. Pearl seconded the motion. A roll call was taken. Charlie Aznive – yes, Ned Lizotte – yes, Roy Merrill – yes, Howard Pearl – yes Earl Tuson – yes. Unanimous – APPROVED.* Mr. Bernier presented the next variance to allow an increased amount of impervious surface. Mr. Bernier explained because this lot is R/R they are looking to use the same lot coverage allowance as a C/I lot. Mr. Pearl asked if they would be clearing trees on the lot. Mr. Bernier explained they may need to clear the lot to the lot line but they will replant a tree buffer if they do. Mr. Peal asked if the layout of the cars will remain the same. Mr. Canney said it will mostly stay the same, the car sales will stay out front near 106 where it is located currently and the new lot will be more of auto repair. *Mr. Pearl made a motion to approve the variance to allow increased impervious surface. Mr. Tuson seconded the motion. A roll call was taken. Charlie Aznive – yes, Ned Lizotte – yes, Roy Merrill – yes, Howard Pearl – yes Earl Tuson – yes. Unanimous – APPROVED.*

Board Discussion:

Dennis Jakubowski and Peter Pitman who had been seated in the audience during the meeting were asked what they thought about the meeting and potentially becoming alternate zoning board members. Mr. Pitman questioned a variance versus a special exception. Mr. Pearl said the zoning ordinance allows certain things by special exception and things that are not listed would need a variance. Mr. Jakubowski thought the meeting went well and is still interested in becoming an alternate. Mr. Jakubowski thought requiring a 50ft. buffer was a great idea. Chairman Lizotte explained the board would not be voting on alternate members until next month.

The Board voted on the revised Rules Of Procedure they discussed at the December and January meetings. *Mr. Pearl made a motion to accept the revised rules of procedure; seconded by Mr. Aznive. All were in favor.*

The Board was set to appoint a Chairman and Vice Chairman this month. *Mr. Pearl made a motion to re-appoint Mr. Lizotte to Chairman; seconded by Mr. Merrill. Charlie Aznive – yes, Ned Lizotte – abstain, Roy Merrill – yes, Howard Pearl – yes Earl Tuson – abstain. Unanimous – APPROVED.*

Mr. Merrill made a motion to re-appoint Mr. Pearl to Vice Chairman; seconded by Mr. Tuson. Charlie Aznive – yes, Ned Lizotte – yes, Roy Merrill – yes, Howard Pearl – abstain Earl Tuson – abstain. Unanimous – APPROVED.

Adjournment:

Mr. Lizotte moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 pm; seconded by Mr. Pearl. All were in favor.

Submitted by,
Danielle Bosco
Administrative Assistant

May in Loudon

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2–4pm•Loudon Historical Society
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1st Monday of the month

5pm•Library Trustees Meeting
6pm•Conservation Commission @ Com.
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1st Tuesday of the month

7pm•Lions Club @ Library

1st Wednesday of the month

7pm•Historical Society @ Museum

1st Thursday of the month

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

2nd Monday of the month

7:15pm•MVSD School Board

2nd Saturday of the month

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

3rd Monday of the month

6pm•Yoga @ Library

3rd Tuesday of the month

7pm•Lions Club @ Library

3rd Wednesday of the month

2–4pm•Open Studio — Loudon Village
Arts @ Library
6pm•Meditation @ Library
6pm•Sit 'n Stitch @ Library
7pm•Legion & Auxilliary @ Post 88

3rd Thursday of the month

7pm•Planning Board @ CB

3rd Sunday of the month

9:30am•Loudon Congregational Church
Healing Prayer Time

4th Tuesday of the month

7pm•LYAA @ Library

4th Wednesday of the month

6:30pm•Recreation Committee @
Library

4th Thursday of the month

7pm•Zoning Board @ CB

Every Monday

6pm•Yoga @ Library

Every Tuesday

9am•Low-Impact Yoga @ Library
10am•6-week Writing Group (not on
5/23)
10:30am•Story Time @ Library
1pm•Yoga @ Library
6pm•Selectmen 2 CB
6:30pm•Prayer Mtg. @ Congregational
Church

Every Thursday

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

EVENTS ON SPECIFIC DATES

May 2•10am• 60 week Writing Group
Begins @ Library

May 3•6pm•Meditation @ Library

May 9•6pm•Spiritual Discussion Group @
Library

May 10•2–7pm•Blood Drive @ Arthur Colby
Safety Building

May 14•MOTHER'S DAY

May 17•6pm•Gut Reaction @ Library

May 19•DEADLINE FOR JUNE LOUDON
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May 20•5:30pm•Pot Luck @ CB followed
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May 22•COMMUNICATIONS COUNCIL
ANNUAL MEETING. 6pm @
Community Building

May 23•2:30pm•Movie Matinee for Adults
@ Library
6pm•Getting the Most From Your Health
Insurance @ Library

May 25•7pm•Book Group @ Library

May 27•Library Closed

May 29•MEMORIAL DAY. PARADE BEGINS
AT 9 A.M.

Noon•Open House @ Legion Post 88

May 30•6pm•NH Author Mark Okrant @
Library

May 31•6pm•Restorative Yoga @ Library

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