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Mission Statement...

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

Loudon Girl to Receive Girl Scout Silver Award

The Silver Award is the highest award a Cadette Girl Scout can earn. Earning this award gives you a chance to show that you are a leader who is organized, determined, and dedicated to improving your community. Earning the award puts you among an exceptional group of girls who have used their knowledge and leadership skills to make a difference in the world.

My name is Emily Masse and I am a resident of Loudon and a student at Merrimack Valley High School. I started my journey working toward the silver award last year. There are many parts to earning this award. I had to complete a workbook, earn the Girl Scout Leadership Award, earn a *Uniquely Me* — *The Real Deal* award, spend 15 hours in a leadership role, journal my experiences. I also had to earn The Girl Scout Silver Career Award and the Silver 4Bs Challenge award. Then I needed to come up with a project for my actual Silver Award. The project had to provide a new and needed service. I had to spend a mini-



Cadette Girl Scout Emily Masse poses with her "Read, Return, Rediscover...The Gift of a Good Book" recycle bin located at the Elementary School.

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Agriculture Takes Root at Loudon Elementary School



By Earl Tuson

Loudon has historically been a farming-based community since its inception, and the Loudon Elementary School is involved in continuing to encourage such a connection between the community and land in the many agriculture-related activities that it offers the children attending the school. From field trips to Loudon farms, to vegetable gardens at the school, students are able to experience many aspects of the role farms play in their community and how those farms produce the wide variety of food available to them and their families here in our town.

For many years, the first grade classes at LES have enjoyed an annual autumn field trip to Meadow Ledge Orchards on Route 129. There the children learn about many aspects of tree fruit production including the important

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Town of Loudon Office Hours
Selectmen’s Office

PO Box 7837 • 798-4541
Selectmen meet Tuesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. in the Community Building.
Mon.–Thurs.: 8 a.m.–4 p.m. • Tues. evenings: 6 p.m.–9 p.m.

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

Planning/Zoning Board
PO Box 7837 • 798-4540
The Planning Board Meets the third Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Building. The Zoning Board meets the fourth Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Building.
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PO Box 7844 • 798-4543
Tues.: 3 p.m.–9 p.m. • Wed.–Thurs.: 9 a.m.–4 p.m.

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

Code Enforcement
PO Box 7059 • 798-5584
Monday–Thursday: 8 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

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

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

Transfer Station
783-0170 • Tues. & Thurs.: 9 a.m.–5 p.m. (Winter)
Tues.: 9 a.m.–5 p.m. • Thurs.: 11 a.m.–7 p.m. (Summer) • Sat.: 8 a.m.–5 p.m.
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Road Agent: David Rice • 783-4568
Mon.–Fri.: 7 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

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Librarian: Nancy Hendy • 798-5153
Mon.: Closed • Tues.: 10 a.m.–9 p.m. • Wed.: 1–9 p.m.
Thurs.: 10 a.m.–9 p.m. • Sat.: 9 a.m.–1 p.m.
The Library Trustees meet at 5 p.m. on the first Tuesday of the month.

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

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

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Jennifer Coffey: 748 Raccoon Hill Rd., Andover, NH 03216-4040
Seth Cohn: 58 Clough Pond Rd., Canterbury, NH 03224-2404
Sean Cox: 346 Old College Rd., Andover, NH 03216-3310
Greg Hill: 1 Knowles Farm Rd., Northfield, NH 03276-4517
Kenneth Kreis, Sr.: 607 Shaker Rd., Canterbury, NH, 03224-2733

Senators — District 07
Andy Sanborn: Legislative Office Building, 33 North State St., Room 5, Concord, NH 03301

Loudon Ledger Submission Policy

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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“The Loudon Ledger” 2011 Schedule

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| January 2011 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 12/17 | Council Meeting: Mon. 12/20 |
| February 2011 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 1/14 | Council Meeting: Mon. 1/17 |
| March 2011 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 2/11 | Council Meeting: Mon. 2/14 |
| April 2011 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 3/18 | Council Meeting: Mon. 3/21 |
| May 2011 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 4/15 | Council Meeting: Mon. 4/18 |
| June 2011 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 5/13 | Council Meeting: Mon. 5/16 |
| July 2011 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 6/17 | Council Meeting: Mon. 6/20 |
| August 2011 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 7/15 | Council Meeting: Mon. 7/18 |
| September 2011 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 8/19 | Council Meeting: Mon. 8/22 |
| October 2011 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 9/16 | Council Meeting: Mon. 9/19 |
| November 2011 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 10/14 | Council Meeting: Mon. 10/17 |
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Sunday Evening: Youth Group — For Grades 6–11: 6–7:45 p.m.

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

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

Ongoing Evening Adult Bible Studies: call for details

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Faith Community Bible Church — Evangelical Free Church of America

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

Sunday Worship Hours:

8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. (Nursery provided.) • Sunday School Classes 9:30 a.m.–10:30 a.m.

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Ministries:

Youth Group for Grades 6–12: Sunday Evening 6:30 p.m.

Bible Study: Thursday mornings at 9:30 a.m. (3rd Thursday of month meets at noon)

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Women’s Ministry/LIFT: 2nd Friday at 6:30 p.m. • Senior Ministry/SAGES: 3rd Monday

Small Group Ministry/BRIDGES: Various locations during the week

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

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

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

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

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

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

We never cancel services for any reason!

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Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church

Rev. Henry Frost

Clough Hill Road. Mailing address: P.O. Box 7852, Loudon, NH 03307 • 783-4540
Member of the American Baptist Churches of VT/NH (Lakes Area Association)

Sunday Worship: 10:00 a.m.

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Loudon Congregational Church

Rev. David D. Randlett, III

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

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

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

Tuesday and Wednesday Evenings: Regional PrayerWatch Groups and Christian Study Groups (call for details) Loudon Congregational is a member church of the Conservative Congregational

Christian Conference (www.cccusa.org).

GraveRobbers Coffeehouse

A community hospitality project of Loudon Congregational Church.

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

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New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene

Rev. W. John White, Senior Pastor

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

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

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

Kidsville (Grades 1–4)

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

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

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

Prayer Gathering: 6 p.m. • Adult Bible Studies: 6:30 p.m.

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

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

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SonLight Christian Fellowship

Pastor Thomas Friedrich

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

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

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

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

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mum of 40 hours working on the project alone. I love to read and I know how important it is for younger kids to have options for books that they will like and have access to easily in order to enjoy reading as well. I am also very passionate about recycling and reducing our negative impacts on the environment. I wanted there to be a place where kids could recycle books for free and get new ones to read; a free book swap bin for kids, made by a kid.

I met with the principal of the Loudon Elementary School and presented my ideas for the project. We discussed details and I was given permission to get started. I drew some sketches and figured out measurements for the bin. Luckily my dad had much of the materials needed for me to build the bin. I did all the measuring, cutting, painting, staining, and lettering on it by myself.

To fill the bin, I spent a lot of time going through old books at my house. I also asked for and received donations of books from other Girl Scouts in Loudon (thank you!!) to get the bin started. I created a flyer and posters to distribute about the project for the school.

“Read-Return-Rediscover — The Gift of a Good Book” is the name of the book swap bin. Read — open a book, and a whole new world to explore. Return — bring in your books you are finished with and drop them off in the bin. Rediscover — pick out some books from the bin to read and enjoy. You can keep them, or return them to the bin for others to enjoy, either way it is up to you! With the help of my troop this name was created to be similar and familiar to the Reduce-Reuse-Recycle of everyday trash and used recycle arrows that are blue instead of green for my logo.

I hope that this project is enjoyed by many readers and is a success. This is a FREE book bin and will be available the entire school year and for years to come. It is located outside the cafeteria at LES. The bin is already filled to start it off so when you are at LES stop by and take a peek, and don’t forget to Read-Return and Rediscover books!

I hope that others are encouraged to make a difference in the community through word of my project and making great things happen right here in Loudon, in New Hampshire, and beyond.

I will be getting the actual Silver Award at The Girl Scouts of the Green and White Mountains Awards Ceremony on October 29th. ■

“Scouting the Future” Jamboree Held

The 2011 New Hampshire Boy Scout Jamboree “Scouting the Future” was held October 7–9 at Waterville Valley. There were 18 boys and chaperones who attended from Pack 247 in Loudon, with a total of over 2,000 Boy Scouts from all over New Hampshire. A full day of exhibits and hands-on activities for Scouts and Venturers was built around the four sections of the Scout Handbook: Scoutcraft, Woodcraft, Campercraft, and Continuing the Adventure. Webelos of local Pack 247, who are transitioning from Cub Scouts to Boy Scouts, had the opportunity to spend the weekend and the chance to try some of the more challenging scout experiences and skill building exercises. Tigers, Wolves, and Bears were invited to attend the day on Saturday. Exhibitors during the jamboree included: U.S. Forest Service, NH Fish & Game, Army National Guard, NH State Police, Waterville Valley Dept. of Safety, NH Marine Patrol, U.S. Postal Service, Meredith SCUBA, Central NH Amateur Radio Club, Trout Unlimited, New England K-9 Search and Rescue, Appalachian Mountain Club, and M.I.T. Robotics. In addition to scout activities and demonstrations, campers were able to enjoy Waterville Valley Resort activities such as boating, biking, ice skating, chairlift rides, and indoor climbing at reduced rates. The day concluded Saturday night with campers enjoying live entertainment featuring the popular MTV’s cover band The Zoo. For more information about scouting and all that it has to offer check out nhscouting.org or on the town website at loudonnh.org. You may also email Scout Master Scott Rodrigue from Boy Scout Troop 247 at scrodrigue@comcast.net or Cubmaster Matt Cheney of Cub Scout Troop 247 at mmcheney@comcast.net. ■



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role that bees play in pollination, the equipment and techniques used by pickers to minimize damage to the trees, and how apple cider is produced. After a wagon ride into the orchard, the children are able to try their own hand at picking fruit that they are able to bring home and share with their families.

Loudon is home to a large number of maple syrup producers. Larry Moore of Wind Swept Maples on Loudon Ridge Road has been welcoming the first grade classes late in the winter for over a decade, right as the maple sap is flowing. Visiting the sugar bush, the children are taught about what trees are suitable for sap production and how it is drawn from the tree and gathered. Moving into the sap house, they learn about the great effort involved in boiling the sap down to produce the sweet syrup. Grading and sampling the syrup are a highlight of their day, but not the end, as the Moore's also open up their barn to the students. Young lambs are always a delight for the children to pet, and they are able to learn about the beef cattle that Windswept Maples also raises.

In recent years, a few new activities have been added. In November of 2010, the Loudon Recreation Committee put on a Farm Feast at the school cafeteria. Members of the community were able to come and enjoy a wide variety of dishes produced largely from

the products of Loudon farms. This event was successful, and will be repeated this coming November as well.

2011 saw the introduction of a school garden at LES. Organized largely through the efforts of Loudon parent Melissa Minery, kindergarten and third grade students planted a variety of vegetables and flowers in three raised bed gardens constructed on the school grounds. The children were able to watch the growth of the plants during the spring, and pick some of the resulting produce in the fall. Some of the vegetables were incorporated into meals served to children in the school cafeteria. Numerous Loudon farms and businesses supported this activity with donations of plants and materials, including: DS Cole, Ledgeview Greenhouses, Loudon Building Supply, Moore Construction, Pleasant View Gardens, and Red Manse Farm.

The successful season at the school garden is already prompting discussion of how to enlarge the gardens and allow participation of all grades in coming years. Dana Bousquet, speech therapist at LES, has plans to begin a Garden Club at the school next spring, while the kitchen staff has requested that herbs be added to the crops grown, as well as additional vegetables harvested in the fall, to add flavor, variety, and nutrition to the meals served there.

The school's Environmental Kids' Club has initiated an effort to compost cafeteria food wastes. Once

composted, this material could become available as a fertilizer and soil amendment for the school gardens and result in a reduction in the volume of waste generated at the school.

For the past two years, Earl Tuson of Red Manse Farm on Pittsfield Road, has visited the kindergarten classes to talk with the children about the role farms and farmers play in their community. As the young children share their experiences with gardening at home and visiting farms, Mr. Tuson talks about his organic vegetable farm and helps them appreciate the role farms play in providing the food they require every day.

Through all of these activities, LES Principal Tom Laliberte has encouraged and facilitated this "growth" at the school, stating that "The Loudon farming community and LES have come together over the past couple of years. This experience has been very rewarding and educational for our students. Students learn better when they are able to actively participate in their learning. The students have been able to plant and fertilize seeds and eventually pick the vegetables they planted. The students are more aware of how farms operate and what a great aspect of Loudon they represent. The community has been wonderful in supporting this new joint venture. I hope to see it grow throughout the upcoming years." ■





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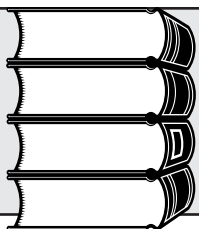
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and inquire about all our menu options.**

We are located at 653 Route 106 North in Loudon.



Maxfield Public Library News



Story Time

On November 1st, 2nd, and 3rd story timers will look toward fall with Zoe Hall's book *The Surprise Garden* and *Piggies in the Pumpkin Patch* by Mary Peterson and Jennifer Rofé. In the craft time to follow, the children will create a paper pumpkin to hang in the window.

Story time will continue with the fall theme for the 8th, 9th, and 10th of November as we read *Fall Mixed Up* and *Red Leaf, Yellow Leaf* by Bob Raczka and Lois Ehlert. The craft to follow will be a tree full of autumn colors in keeping with the stories.

There will be lots of gobbling in the library November 15th through the 17th after the children listen to Julie Markes' *Thanks for Thanksgiving* and *The Very First Thanksgiving Day* by Rhonda Gowler Greene. Each child will design a turkey to decorate their houses for the holiday.

There will be no story time Thanksgiving week, but you are invited to join us for a movie on Tuesday, November 22nd, at 10:30 a.m. The library will provide free popcorn and juice.

On Tuesday, November 29th and 30th, children hear *A Winter's Nap* by Marcy Sacks and *Leaves* by David Ezra Stein.

Apple Picking

Story time would like to send a big THANK YOU to Meadow Ledge Farm, Dan, Lenny, and Louie for another great trip to the apple farm! We had two gorgeous apple-picking days and the children brought home delicious apples and made wonderful memories.

Yoga Classes

Fran Nash's seven weeks of yoga classes have been a major hit and a big bargain. Instead of driving to another town, you can stay right in Loudon, pay \$35.00 for seven weeks of instruction, and pick up a few books and DVDs while you're at it! She will be starting new sessions in January. Depending on how many people register, we may offer an afternoon course and an evening one. Please ask at the circulation desk if you want to be included, and we will contact you when times and dates have been finalized.

Loudon Village Arts

After the excitement and fun of the Fall Fine Art Show and Sale, the Loudon Village Arts group plans to offer a series of workshops on how to frame your artwork, drawing and painting techniques, and other topics you would like to see covered. Please contact Nancy Hendy, at 798-5153, to let us know what art-related workshops interest you.





What comes at the end of Thanksgiving?

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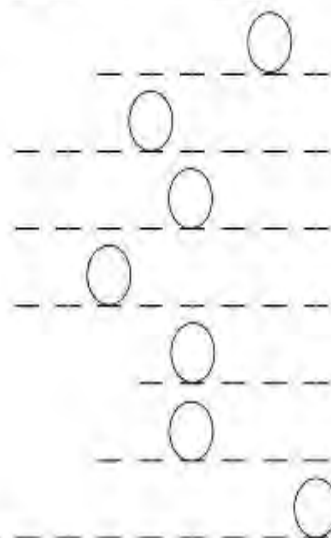
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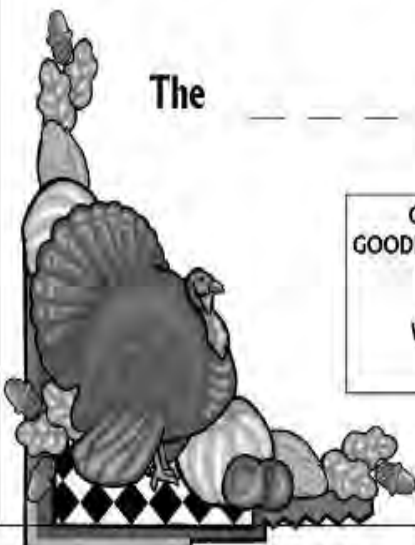


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October Word Scramble Answers:
GOODIES, GHOST COSTUME, COLUMBUS,
WITCHES, TREAT, OCTOBER

What's a monster's favorite play?
Romeo and GHOULIET!



NEW BOOKS

Fiction

Bohalian, Chris
Coelho, Paul
De Los Santos, Marisa
Eugenides, Jeffrey
Harbach, Chad
Hoffman, Alice
Johnson, Denis
Mayor, Archer
Ondaatje, Michael

The Night Strangers
Aleph
Falling Together
The Marriage Plot
The Art of Fielding
The Dovekeepers
Train Dreams
Tag Man
The Cat's Table

Nonfiction

Campbell, Don
Covey, Stephen R.
Degeneres, Ellen
Eldredge, John
Lewis, Michael

Healing at the Speed of Sound
The 3rd Alternative
Seriously... I'm Kidding
Beautiful Outlaw
Boomerang

New DVDs

Agatha Christie's Poirot: The Movie Collection, Volumes 1-6; Buck; Forks Over Knives; Freedom Riders; Georgia O'Keeffe; Horrible Bosses; The Lion King; Modigliani; Paris: The Luminous Years; Pollock; Tree of Life; and Zookeeper

Book Group

Topping out at close to nine hundred pages, *The Adventures Don Quixote* warrants two months of book discussion. We will continue sharing our ideas and insights on Thursday, November 17, at 7 p.m. Newcomers are welcome.

Holiday Hours

The library's hours will be 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Wednesday, November 23rd. The library will be closed for Thanksgiving, Thursday, November 24th.

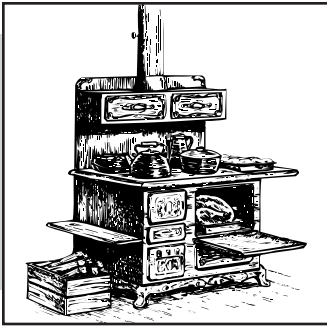
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Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10 a.m.–9 p.m.; Wednesdays, 1–9 p.m. and Saturdays, 9 a.m.–1 p.m. ■



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What's Cookin'!

Jenn Pfeiffer

This month: The Season of Eating!! Holiday Food

November is here and it is officially the season of eating! My favorite part of the holidays is FOOD...and lots of it! As we all are running around crazy trying to attend every party, event and social gathering it can be tough to whip up something quick a delicious so you don't arrive empty handed. Here are a few of my favorite go to recipes sure to please a crowd.

Original Ranch Spinach Dip

This is by far my favorite spinach dip. Many spinach dip recipes call for mayonnaise which I think makes it much too rich for the amount of dip I eat at a time. I almost always double the recipe and serve it in a pumpernickel bread bowl.

- 1 packet (1 ounce) Hidden Valley Original Ranch Dip Mix
- 1 container (16 ounces) sour cream
- 1 box (10 ounces) frozen chopped spinach, thawed and well-drained
- 1 can (8 ounces) water chestnuts, rinsed, drained, and chopped
- 1 round loaf French bread
- 1 fresh vegetable sticks

Stir together dip mix, sour cream, spinach, and water chestnuts. Chill 30 minutes or until just before serving. Cut top off the bread and remove center (using firm bread pieces as dippers). Fill bread bowl with dip. Serve with cubed bread and vegetables.

Sweet and Spicy Kielbasa

Last month I made some really yummy grape jam that never got thick. I had to reprocess the whole batch but as I was brainstorming all the ways I could make use of delicious grape syrup I remembered this recipe and decided to keep some of the syrup special for this (and PB and J smoothies) It is always a hit at parties.

- 2 pounds kielbasa
- 1 can of pineapple chunks, drained
- 2 cup of grape jam/jelly
- 1 cup of your favorite mustard
- 2 Tbsp chili sauce

Slice Kielbasa 1/2-inch thick. Mix jam, mustard, and chili sauce in slow cooker/crock pot. Add sliced Kielbasa and pineapple and mix until covered. Set slow cooker/crock pot on low to cook for 2 hours.

Mushrooms With Smoked Mozzarella

Keeping Athens Fillo (phyllo) dough cups, found in the freezer section of the grocery store, on hand makes it easy to throw together a quick appetizer or dessert.

- 2 teaspoons canola oil
- 1/2 teaspoon minced garlic
- 1 1/2 cups small-diced mushrooms
- 2 tablespoons small diced onions
- 1 teaspoons capers
- 1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
- 1/4 teaspoon dried leaf thyme
- 2 tablespoons red wine
- Dash of salt and pepper
- 15 Athens® Mini Fillo Shells (1 box)
- 3 tablespoon shredded smoked mozzarella

In a small skillet heat oil, add garlic and sauté for 1 minute. Add mushrooms, onions, capers, Worcestershire, and thyme. Sauté for 3–5 minutes. Add red wine and simmer until liquid evaporates. Season with salt and pepper. Spoon 1 rounded teaspoon of filling into each Fillo Shell. Top with 1/2 teaspoon of mozzarella cheese. Bake in preheated 350°F oven for 5 minutes. Serve warm. Makes 15 Appetizers.

Pumpkin Mousse

My friend Julie made these for me for my birthday last year and had me meet her in the parking lot of LES to give them to me. She handed them to me in a pretty ceramic dish so I could get them home safely. They were so yummy...that I ate every one of them right then and handed her the dish back.

- 1/2 cup canned pumpkin pie mix
- 3 tablespoons prepared vanilla pudding
- 1/4 teaspoon pumpkin pie spice
- 2 tablespoons thawed whipped topping
- 15 Athens® Mini Fillo Shells (1 box)
- 1/4 cup thawed whipped topping, for garnish

In a small bowl, combine pumpkin pie mix, pudding, and spice. Fold in 2 tablespoons of whipped topping. Chill for 1 hour. Spoon or pipe 1 teaspoon of pumpkin mousse into each Fillo Shell. Garnish with remaining whipped topping. Serve immediately. Makes 15 Tarts

Orange Marmalade French Toast Casserole

Don't forget to plan ahead for those morning gatherings too!

- 1 stick of butter, softened
- 1 16-ounce sourdough French bread loaf, cut into 24 (1/2-inch) slices
- Cooking spray
- 1 12-ounce jar orange marmalade
- 2 1/2 cups milk (I like to use vanilla almond milk)
- 1/3 cup sugar
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1/2 teaspoon cinnamon
- 8 large eggs
- 1/3 cup finely chopped walnuts

Spread softened butter on one side of each bread slice. Arrange 12 bread slices, buttered side down, slightly overlapping in a single layer in a 13 x 9-inch baking dish coated with cooking spray. Spread marmalade evenly over bread; top with remaining 12 bread slices, buttered side up. Combine milk, sugar, vanilla, cinnamon, and eggs stirring with a whisk. Pour egg mixture over bread. Cover and refrigerate for at least an hour or overnight. Preheat oven to 350°. Sprinkle casserole with walnuts. Bake at 350° for 45 minutes or until golden. Let stand 5 minutes before serving.

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



Maxfield Public Library Passes!

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

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

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



Loudon Food Pantry News

Thanksgiving Is Coming and So Is Our 50/50 Raffle

Please help Loudon Food Pantry make this a successful Thanksgiving Holiday for those who can't make it happen for themselves and their families.

We support Belmont, Canterbury, Chichester, Epsom, and Loudon!

50/50 Raffle

Because our clothing and household programs are on hold (due to lack of space), we decided to hold a 50/50 Raffle. In this type of raffle, the winner does not receive goods but will receive half of the ticket sales. We thought this would help out with holiday expenses.

Raffle Dates: Starts November 1, 2011 and ends December 15, 2011

Ticket Prices: 50¢ each. 5 for \$2.00. 10 for \$3.00

You can purchase your tickets at the pantry located at 30 Chichester Rd. in Loudon on Monday, Tuesday or Thursday from 10:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. or Wednesday from 10:00 a.m.–6:00 p.m. We will also have an order form on our website at LoudonFoodPantry.org starting November 1, 2011.

Thanksgiving Boxes

Each year we give out over 120 Thanksgiving boxes to households that would not otherwise have a Thanksgiving meal.

This year we are handing out Thanksgiving boxes the week of November 14, 2011. We do this so our patrons have time to safely defrost their turkeys for the holiday. Because we will be closed the week of November 21, 2011, our patrons will be given enough food for 10 days (which includes their holiday dinner). Doing this puts an additional strain on pantry resources but we don't want our patrons to go without food that week.

All donations that will be put into our Thanksgiving boxes need to arrive at our pantry on or before Friday, November 11, 2011. We are normally closed on Fridays but are making an exception due to the holiday. If your donation is received after that date, we cannot guarantee that it will be used in a Thanksgiving Box. Any donations not used in a Thanksgiving Box will be used for our normal distributions.

Items needed for our holiday boxes are:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Turkey (whole or breast) | <input type="checkbox"/> Cranberry Sauce |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Canned Yams | <input type="checkbox"/> Turkey roasting pans |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Turkey Stuffing (in the bird) | <input type="checkbox"/> Boxed cakes and frostings |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Puddings & Jello | <input type="checkbox"/> Turkey Gravy, canned |

The following items we are hoping to get fresh (if funds and donations allow) and need to be purchased during the week of November 14th to make sure they are in good condition for the boxes. If you can help with these items, please call us at (603) 724-9731 so we can make arrangements for pickup or delivery.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Apples | <input type="checkbox"/> Bananas |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Squash | <input type="checkbox"/> Carrots |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Onions | <input type="checkbox"/> Potatoes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dinner Rolls | |

What food we don't receive will need to be purchased. We are short on funds and need donations to make this happen. All donations, small and large, will be helpful and greatly appreciated. Gift cards to Sam's Club or Wal-Mart are great as well.

Donation and Contact Information

If you can help, please mail or drop off donations to: Loudon Food Pantry, 30 Chichester Rd., Unit D, Loudon NH anytime Monday, Tuesday and Thursday between 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. or Wednesday 10:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. Please make checks payable to Loudon Food Pantry. If you cannot make it during these times, please call (603) 724-9731 to make alternate arrangements.

Food Drives

Are you planning a food drive for us? Please call (603) 724-9731 and let us know. We are servicing five towns out of a small space and handing out food Monday–Thursday. Letting us know in advance will allow us to be prepared to receive it — even if its on a Friday or Saturday.

Thank You!

We would like to take a moment to thank all of our volunteers and donors for all you've done. All your help and hard work has allowed us to provide enough food for 52,677 meals in 2011 (so far). Without you, this would not have been possible. ■

Sign Up Now For Snowmobile Safety Classes

Winter is on the way, and snowmobile education classes are now underway across the state. To operate a snowmobile in New Hampshire, any person over the age of 12 must have either a valid Motor Vehicle Driver's License or have successfully completed an approved Off-Highway Recreational Vehicle (OHRV) Safety Education class taught by volunteer instructors trained by the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department. Additionally, all children under the age of 14 must be accompanied by a licensed adult when operating a snowmobile, unless they are on property belonging to their parents, grandparents or guardians.

Sign up soon if you or someone you know needs a class. Most classes take place in October, November and December. There is no charge for the classes, which are usually completed in a single day. Parents are encouraged to attend along with their children. New classes are added as they become available. For a current class schedule, visit <http://www.wildnh.com/OHRV/schedule.html>.

"Snowmobiling is a great way for families to have fun exploring the great outdoors, but riders have a responsibility to obey the rules of the trails, to be courteous and — most of all — to ride safely," said Captain John Wimsatt, who coordinates Fish and Game's OHRV Education Program.

Many of the trained volunteer instructors teaching the safety classes are affiliated with one of the more than 100 snowmobile clubs in New Hampshire. Joining a snowmobile club is a great way to learn about safe riding, help support local landowners and help maintain trails for your own and others' enjoyment, Wimsatt said, noting that club membership also gives riders a \$30 discount on snowmobile registration fees.

The New Hampshire Snowmobile Association (NHSA) and its member clubs have actively promoted safe and responsible riding since 1969. NHSA members work with Bureau of Trails staff and Fish and Game to manage over 7,000 miles of trails in New Hampshire and provide safety education to more than 2,500 riders each year. For more information on how to become involved with a snowmobile club, visit <http://www.nhsa.com>.

In addition to safety education, this winter Fish and Game Conservation Officers will use innovative enforcement patrols to detect and apprehend impaired snowmobile operators, enforce speed limits, deter unlawful off-trail riding and detect machines with modified exhaust. These ongoing initiatives will help to keep the state's snowmobile trails safe for all outdoor enthusiasts during the upcoming season. ■



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What does a mountain of trash have to do with going to Disney? Well, the Merrimack Valley Music Department recently participated in a "Track Cleanup" fundraiser at NH Motor Speedway. The money raised through their hard work will help send the band and chorus to perform at Disney World in April 2012.

Commended Students in the 2012 National Merit Scholarship Program

The principal, Dr. Michael R. Jette, of Merrimack Valley High School in Penacook announced today that:

Peter Bultman, son of Kate and Bruce Johnson of Webster, has been named a Commended Student in the 2012 National Merit Scholarship Program. About 34,000 Commended Students throughout the nation are being recognized for their exceptional academic promise. Although he will not continue in the 2012 competition for the National Merit Scholarships, Commended Students placed among the top five percent of more than 1.5 million students who entered the 2012 competition by taking the 2010 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT). In New Hampshire, Peter placed in the top 87 of 7,608 students who took the test in 109 schools.

David Paiva, son of Tania and Fabio Paiva of Penacook, has been named as a semi-finalist in the 2012 National Merit Scholarship Program. Approximately 16,000 students, who took the 2010 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT) have been named as semi-finalists in the 57th annual National Merit Scholarship Program. They represent less than 1 percent of

high school seniors in our nation and will now compete for some 8,300 National Merit Scholarships worth more than \$34 million that will be offered next spring. About 90 percent of the semi-finalists are expected to attain Finalist standing, and more than half of the Finalists will win a National Merit Scholarship, earning the title of "Merit Scholar". In New Hampshire, David placed in the top 60 of 7,608 students who took the test in 109 schools.

The principal to both of these scholastically talented seniors will present a letter of Commendation from the school and National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC), which conducts the program.

"The young men and women being named Commended Students have demonstrated outstanding potential for academic success," commented a spokesperson for NMSC. "These students represent a valuable national resource; recognizing their accomplishments, as well as the key role their schools play in their academic development, is vital to the advancement of educational excellence in our nation. We hope that this recognition will help broaden their educational opportunities and encourage them as they continue their pursuit of academic success." ■

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FROM THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Discuss Fire Safety With Your Children

Fire safety in the home is up to us, the parents. It's never too early — or late — to discuss fire safety and prevention with your children. With the holidays approaching and all of the flammable decorations, extra cooking, candles, etc. it's a good time to begin the discussion. Use the following fire safety and prevention information to lead discussions.

Control Kids' Access to Fire

- Keep all matches and lighters out of the hands of children. If possible, keep these sources of fire in locked drawers. Consider buying only "child-proof" lighters—but be aware that no product is completely child-proof.
- Children as young as two years old can strike matches and start fires.
- Never leave children unattended near operating stoves or burning candles, even for a short time.
- Teach children not to pick up matches or lighters they may find. Instead, they should tell an adult immediately.

Fire Safety at Home

- Smoke alarms should be installed on every level of the home, especially near sleeping areas.
- Smoke alarms should be kept clean of dust by regularly vacuuming over and around them.
- Replace batteries in smoke alarms at least once a year. And replace the entire unit after ten years of service, or as the manufacturer recommends.
- Families should plan and practice two escape routes from each room of their home.
- Regularly inspect the home for fire hazards.
- If there are adults in the home who smoke, they should use heavy safety ashtrays and discard ashes and butts in metal, sealed containers or the toilet.
- If there is a fireplace in the home, the entire opening should be covered by a heavy safety screen. The chimney should be professionally inspected and cleaned annually.
- Children should cook only under the supervision of an adult or with their permission.
- Children should never play with electrical cords or electrical sockets. They should ask adults for help plugging in equipment.
- Children should stay away from radiators and heaters, and they should be taught that these devices are not toys. Young children in particular must be taught

not to play with or drop anything into space heaters. Nothing should be placed or stored on top of a heater.

- Pots on stovetops should always have their handles turned toward the center of the stove, where children cannot reach up and pull or knock them off.
- Teach children to turn off lights, stereos, TVs, and other electrical equipment when they are finished using them. In the case of room heaters, children should ask an adult to turn it off when the room will be empty.
- Children should never touch matches, lighters, or candles. If they find matches or lighters within reach, they should ask an adult to move them.
- No one should stand too close to a fireplace or wood stove or other types of heaters, where clothes could easily catch fire.

Warning Signs

- Evidence of fire play, such as burnt matches, clothes, paper, toys, etc., or if you smell smoke in hair or clothes.
- Inappropriate interest in firefighters and/or fire trucks, such as frequent, improper calls to the fire department or 9-1-1.
- Child asks or tries to light cigarettes or candles for you or other adults.
- Matches or lighters in their pockets or rooms.

Control Curiosity

- Talk to your child or students in a calm, assured manner about fire safety.
- Consider visiting a fire station if children are very interested in firefighting and/or fire trucks or ask a firefighter to visit your classroom. Have the firefighter talk about his/her job and the dangers of fire.
- For parents: Create opportunities for learning about fire safety at home. For example, when you cook, let your child get the pot holder for you; when you use the fireplace, let your child bring you the wood or tools; if you use candles, let the child check to make sure the candle holder fits snugly; and when you change or test the batteries in your smoke alarms, ask the child to help you.

What to Do if You Suspect Your Student/Child Is Playing with Fire?

- Talk to the child about his or her actions. Explain again that fire is a tool for use only by adults, and that it is very dangerous for children.
- Many schools, fire departments and law enforcement agencies have programs for children who are inappropriately interested in fire or who have set fires. ■

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Historical Society: Witches and Quilt Questions

Last month we published a list of the quilt squares in the Town Quilt. If you haven't seen this masterpiece, stop by the Community Building some time and take a look. Last month's list was numbered left to right, top to bottom.

We received information on Square 34, the Yankee Country Store. Jason Fiske thought "A.S." was in all probability Addie Smith, who was an elderly lady his mom used to take care of and cut her hair. She lived across the street from the store and Jason remembers her always walking across the street to visit with the neighborhood ladies.

Michele York sent in a correction. Square 14 information stated the Loudon Freewill Baptist Church was built in 1774. However, it was actually built in 1779.

The quilt is pictured at right. We have ongoing questions about the following squares: 3, 4, 13, 16, 17, 21, 24, 29, 31, 32, and 34.

"Witches, Pop Culture, and the Past"

The Historical Society had a good turnout for "Witches, Pop Culture, and the Past," on Wednesday, October 19. Thirty people came out on a rainy night to hear Dr. Robin DeRosa's presentation. The audience learned that most of the accused witches were not from the Salem, MA we know, but from Salem Village, now known as Danvers, MA. Most of the original homes of the accused are still there.

If you're interested in finding out more about the Salem Witch Trials, the Danvers Library has a great deal of information. It seems that many people at the evening's talk had distant relatives who were part of the witch trials.

The Loudon Historical Society is located in the Community Building/Charlie's Barn. The Society has an interesting assortment of Loudon historical items and is well worth a visit. ■



Loudon Lions Club Ice Cream Social a Success



Another success! The Loudon Lions Club held their annual Ice Cream Social on Friday, September 16th at Loudon Elementary School. Thank you to our over 100 neighbors who came and joined us on such a chilly Friday night to enjoy delicious ice cream brownie sundaes. We all enjoyed seeing everyone and all the support. The monies donated will help support the Lions Club Sight and Hearing program. Thank you to all who stopped by!

Interested in helping out the community? Consider joining the Lions Club. We meet the first and third Tuesday of the month at the Maxfield Library. ALL are welcome! ■



Santa's Breakfast

Saturday, December 10, 2011

Loudon Elementary School Cafeteria

(Snow Date: Sunday, December 11)

Breakfast: 8-10 a.m. • \$5/person or \$20/family

Enjoy breakfast and a visit from Santa 8-9:45

Craft Fair: 8 a.m.-2 p.m.

A great way to shop for the holidays
and support local artisans.

Quarter Raffle: 10 a.m.

Dozens of items to choose from — just 25¢ a chance!

Cookie Walk: 8-noon

Fill a bag with delicious home-baked cookies.

To donate a raffle item or if you have questions,
call Cindy Labonte at 568-5089

To rent a table at the craft fair, call Becky Herman at 783-4257

All proceeds to benefit the LES PTA



**Crafter's Space
still available!!!
\$15 per table.**



Loudon Girl Scout News

Congratulations to Emily Masse for earning her Girl Scout Silver Award (see story on page 1). The Silver award is the highest award a Girl Scout Cadette can earn and requires a minimum of 40 hours of work.

Thank you to everyone who purchased items from our fall product sale fundraiser. Your goodies will be arriving just in time for the Thanksgiving holiday.

The Annual Loudon Girl Scout Bake Sale will take place on Saturday, November 19th at the Maxfield Public Library from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Mark your calendar and prepare to stock up for all your Thanksgiving needs!

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

Brownie Troop 10454

Melissa Himes, Rebecca Stuart

Troop 10454 has officially started back up for the year and we have a great group of girls, some from our troop last year and some who are new to Girl Scouting! Our first meeting was a chance for the girls to write down all the fun ideas that want to incorporate

into our Brownie year. They looked through the badges they want to complete, picked the Journey they want to do first, chose all the tasks for the rotating Responsibility Chart, made their Promises to Keep, and came up with lots of fun and exciting activities they want to do. Everything from a trip to Krazy Kids, to volunteering at a blood drive, to an overnight at the zoo made it on the idea board! We are planning a cookie baking slumber party so look for the yummy sweets made by the girls in troop 10454 at the annual Bake Sale at the library!

The second meeting was spent making their Brownie Bags. Each bag was made from an old article of clothing and turned into a special carryall that the girls will bring to each meeting to hold their journals, dues, water bottles, etc. The girls did all their own sewing on the sewing machines to transform old jeans, pants, a jean skirt, a tank top, and sweat pants into a bag by cutting off the legs and sewing the bottom edges closed, or in the case of the tank top and skirt just the bottom edge is sewn shut. They then sewed on a strap or set of straps using ribbon, an old belt or a strip of fabric. Then jeweled butterflies and other fun things were ironed on. The girls were then able to decorate their bags with fabric markers, embroidered patches, and they learned how to

hand sew beads onto their bags as well! Special thanks to our volunteers Debbie Latham, Renee Denoncourt, and Jackie Jackson who came with their sewing machines and helped the girls construct their beautiful bags!

At our third meeting we started the girls' first journey choice, the WOW — Wonders of Water Journey, which is a workbook filled with facts, stories, and fun activities designed to teach the girls how to love water, save water, and share the value of water. They collect badges along the journey and earn a special one for completing the whole book. The girls started by sharing their favorite thing to do with water like swimming, fishing, ice-skating, and drinking it. We started our Team WOW Map with the girls drawing a picture of their favorite water activity spaced out of a really long roll of paper that they will add onto each time we work on our journey. Then they had to think about how they would be able to do these fun things if they lived in a part of the world that doesn't have much water. They acted out scenarios about having only a washcloth or a small pan with water for the entire day that they had to share with their whole family. They all felt pretty grateful that they have access to clean running water to do routine activities like brushing their teeth. Then we read about how rainbows are made and the girls named off all the colors Roy G. Biv. We then turned off the lights and made rainbows by shining a flashlight through a pan of water with a mirror on the bottom so the light refracts back through the water and casts a bright little rainbow that the girls took turns "catching" on a piece of white paper.

Troop 12641

Leader: Kathy Fisher, Co-Leader: Jenn Maguire

We're off to a great start with 14 girls! We've gotten to know each other, put on skits, learned about Women who've made history, and taken a nut quiz. With a great bunch of scouts we've started working in patrols and

sharing duties at our meetings. The girls have been perfecting their selling techniques with our nut, candy, and magazine fall fundraiser — thank-you if you've been a patron! The girls have great ideas for both community service and fun field trip ideas this year. You may also spot them sporting a lovely bracelet made by recycling an old colorful T-shirt into strips with a ribbon woven through. They've been brushing up on flag ceremonies and pledges. Next we will be packing gift shoe boxes to send to underprivileged kids for Christmas and getting something sweet ready for our Loudon GS Bake Sale. If you know of a place our scouts can help in town — please let us know, we're eager to help.

Cadette Troop #12356

The troop has gotten off to a great start. We have come up with a very long list of things we want to accomplish this year. We are very excited about the new Girl's Guide to Girl Scouting, which is the new handbook and badgebook all in one very cool binder! We have started working on badges from this binder and decided on the Breathe Journey for this year. In the Breathe Journey book we will explore the air we breathe, how we can protect the air of Planet Earth. We will explore air with all our senses. Along this journey we will take "side-trips" to work on other interest badges. We have several girls who are planning their Silver Award projects. We are planning a visit to the Veteran's Home to sing and play games with the Veterans. We are excited about the bake sale coming up and planning to make some very yummy treats so we hope to see you there! New York City here we come... in April our troop will be joining others from the area for a daylong trip to the Big Apple and we will be planning out what we will see for the day. Still working on other activities and events and, as always, if you can think of an area that could use the help of a group of girls — let us know. ■

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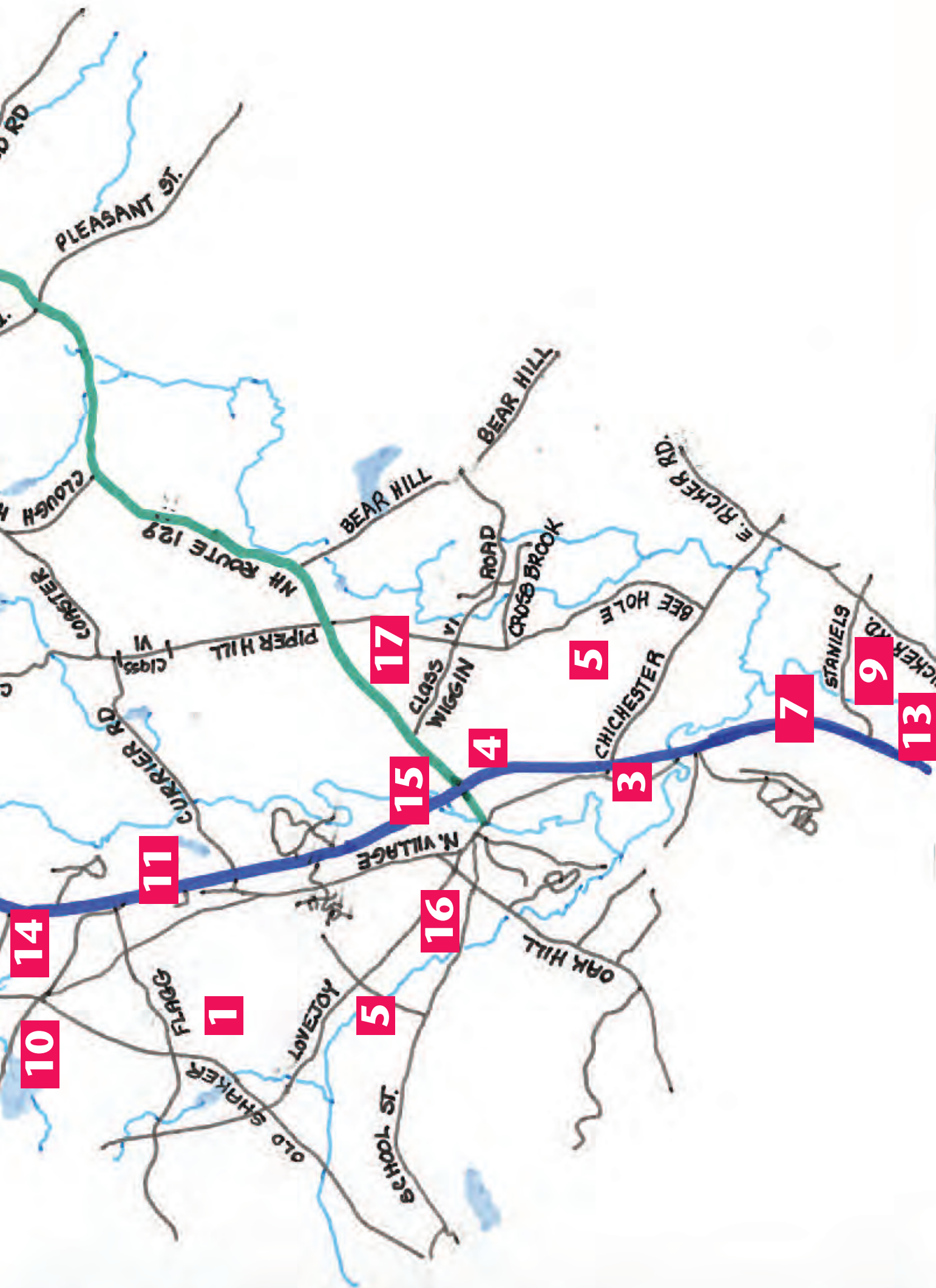
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Loudon Recreation Committee News

LOUDON FARMS FEAST

As of this writing, we are working hard putting together the feast. We hope to see many happy and hungry faces at the event. Look for photos and a summary of all the great local Loudon foods in the December issue of *The Loudon Ledger*. The meal will feature food grown in Loudon. Menu includes soups, stew and dessert. Egg Shell Restaurant is making the bread and cider made at Meadow Ledge Farm.

ZUMBA FITNESS

You may have heard how much fun the people attending the first session of Zumba have had — well now is your chance to join in the fun! Sign up for six weeks of Zumba Fitness. Zumba is an exhilarating, effective, easy-to-follow, Latin-inspired, calorie-burning dance fitness party! Zumba will be held on Mondays at Loudon Elementary School in the gymnasium from 7:15 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. starting on Monday, November 14th to December 19th. The cost for six weeks is \$42 dollars. Please see the registration form at www.loudonnh.org — fill it out and get it in for ZUMBA FUN!!

WINTER 2012 FISHING DERBY

Putting together the plan for an ice fishing derby that will happen this coming winter. If you would like to join the group of interested people please contact Alicia at 435-5193 or email affirmhealth@yahoo.com.

MUSICIANS WANTED!!!!

We know there are MANY talented musicians right here in Loudon. Do you love playing instruments and want to get together to play with others right here in town?? We are exploring putting together a concert band and are looking for exceptional middle school musicians through adults to join in the fun. If you are interested please contact Tom Stevens at tomandjenn2002@gmail.com.

TENNIS & BASKETBALL COURTS

The Homer Labonte Municipal Tennis Courts and basketball courts in Loudon village have seen a significant increase in use over the last few years. Some improvements have been made to the area (backboard, benches, and nets) and we are interested to see if there is interest from residents for improvement to the surface of the courts. This is a significant expense and there are a few options of how we would move forward with a project of this size. We need to hear from you as

residents if you are interested in court improvements. Please contact Alicia at 435-5193 or email affirmhealth@yahoo.com if you have suggestions.

IN THE WORKS...

We are working on a Monarch's Hockey Game day with discounted tickets, American Red Cross Babysitting and Safe on My Own classes. New members of the Loudon Recreation Committee Tom Stevens and Dan York will be working with the town and LYAA on the possibilities of creating a master calendar to schedule use of the various fields in town. Stay tuned for more info on this.

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

If you have ideas, suggestions or comments about recreation programming here in Loudon or would like to be placed on our email contact list please contact Alicia at 435-5193 or by email at affirmhealth@yahoo.com. Recreation meetings are generally the last Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m at Maxfield Public Library. We hope to see you!! ■



2011 Harvest Supper Serves Up Delicious Food

The Loudon Fire Department Association served up its usual wonderful meal at its recent Harvest Supper. The traditional corned beef dinner has been an annual occurrence in Loudon since the early 1950s. The meal includes corned beef, mashed potatoes, squash, beets, turnips, carrots, gravy, cabbage, and a choice of many pies or crisps for dessert. It's the best meal you can put on a plate for \$10!

394 meals were purchased this year. However, once the helpers were served, the total meals served number came up quite a bit!

We'd like to thank the following for their donations and assistance: Everett Gage, Ramsay's Farm Stand, H.P. Hood, Frank Trombley, Meadow Ledge Farm, Apple Hill Farm, our pie and dessert bakers, our volunteers, and Boy Scout Troop 30.

This year's supper celebrated the memory of Bob Bottcher, former Loudon and Concord Fire Department member who passed away this past summer. ■

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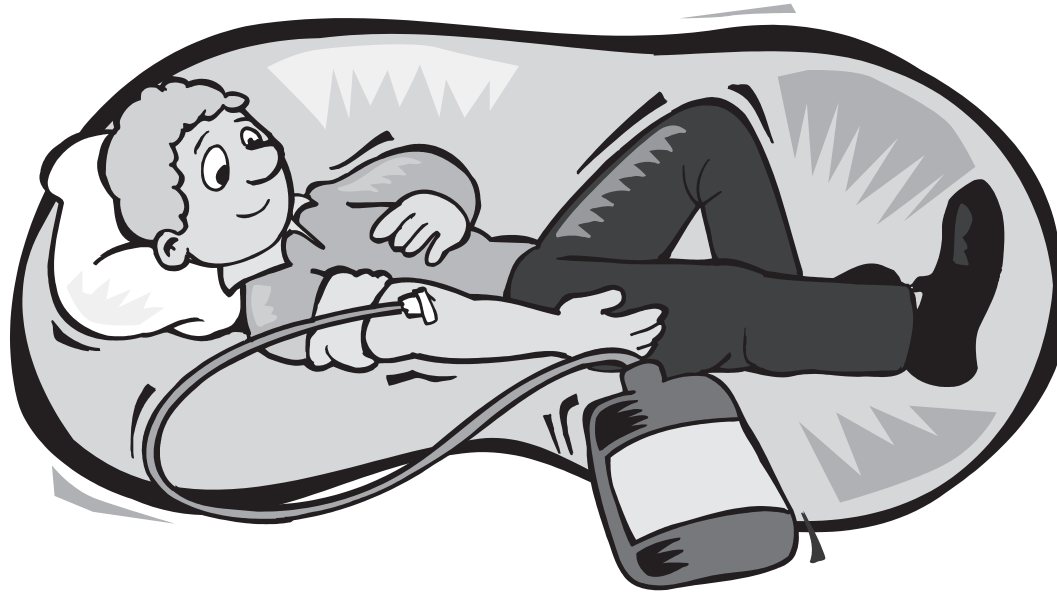
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Transfer Station Construction In Progress

Many residents have asked about the construction going on at the Transfer Station recently. After many years of use, the demolition and metal collection areas needed some repairs. Pavement had become broken and the design had become outdated. Mike Milligan and crew from Milligan Foundations in Loudon and the Loudon Highway Department worked together to build concrete “Z” walls in the demolition container area and to add concrete pads as well. A large concrete pad was also installed in the metal collection area to replace the old paved pad. Suburban Paving supplied the new pavement around the new pads and walls.

Besides replacing the old pavement in these areas, the main purpose of the new wall design was to make pick-up and drop-off of the demo containers quicker and easier. Cleanup should also be much easier with the new concrete surface.

Thanks to residents for their patience while we complete this project, and special thanks to Mike Milligan for donating his time and equipment in the site preparation! ■

Single-Stream Update

By Steve Bennett, Loudon Representative to the CRSW/RRC

On September 15th, 2011, the Concord Regional Solid Waste/Resource Recovery Cooperative (locally known as the Co-op) joint board voted to begin construction of a Single Stream Recycling Facility. Some of you may remember a similar vote was made in June of 2010 to build the facility, contingent on getting 25,000 tons of recycled material per year to be delivered for processing. The Co-op management has been securing contracts from municipalities (both inside and outside of the Co-op membership) since the original joint board vote to proceed.

Many changes have taken place since that time. The greatest change, of course, has been the economic recession. This caused many municipalities to be extra cautious about making changes to their recycling programs. When the economic slump caused recycled material value to fall drastically, municipalities would have had to pay to get rid of some materials rather than getting paid for them. This was obviously not the best time to make the change to Single Stream Recycling!

Since then, recycled material prices have rebounded to more favorable amounts. Co-op officials have been able to obtain contracts for just under 25,000 tons of material. As the economy stabilized, there was more speculation that some other group or business would build the first Single Stream Recycling Facility in New Hampshire. Whoever builds first has the greatest opportunity for success. These factors prompted the Co-op to make the decision to build as soon as possible. The vote to continue passed by an approximate 3-to-1 margin.

The Single Stream project has been the cause of much controversy within the Co-op itself. It is more advantageous for larger communities to participate than for smaller communities. Recently, the towns of Hopkinton and Webster became the first to ever withdraw from the Co-op, over disagreements about how the facility would be financed. In essence, they did not wish to pay for something they weren't planning on using. Because of the population differences (and therefore the number of votes) between the smallest and largest communities, the votes of the 3 cities in the group had the biggest effect. For example, if Concord did not want to participate and voted no, it would not be feasible for the others to continue.

Current timeline projections suggest that this facility could be operating within about 1 year. The Town of Loudon has not agreed to participate at this time, but because of our Co-op membership, could join with no penalty at a later date. ■

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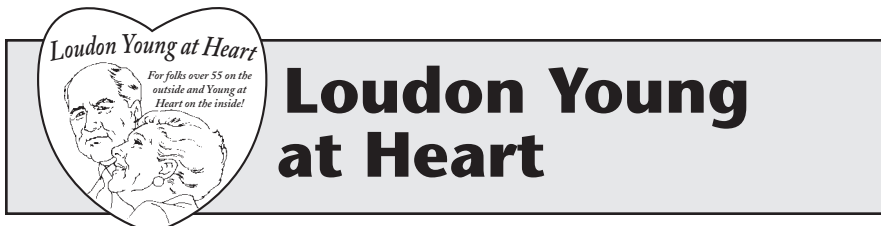


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Loudon Young at Heart

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Attendees are reminded to please bring a non-perishable item or two for the Loudon Food Pantry. ■

News From the Richard Brown House



Several residents of Richard Brown House recently learned about various types of memory and got to exercise their own memories when they participated in a workshop called "Minds in Motion." The program challenged their thinking process, provided tips to better memory, and triggered laughter. The many paper and pencil exercises allowed the group to test their skills at reminiscing, word association, and memory.

We are happy to welcome a new computer teacher, Scott Call. A senior at Merrimack Valley High School, Scott is joining us weekly to teach and coach residents on computer skills. He is doing this as his senior project.

Richard Brown House is an independent living facility operated by Volunteers of America. Located at 142 South Village Road, the 32 apartments are 500 square feet with kitchen, bedroom, and living room. There is also ample closet space. We are currently taking names for our waiting list and welcome you to come and tour the facility. Rents are based on income and are adjusted annually. Contact Michael Totri, manager at 798-3190, Ext 203 for further information. ■

2012 Fish & Wildlife Calendars Are In!

The all-new 2012 New Hampshire Fish & Wildlife Calendar is in, featuring professional photography showcasing New Hampshire wildlife, plus great ideas for getting outdoors during the new year. Outdoor enthusiasts will appreciate the handy season dates and timely tips, from free fishing day to when to register your snowmobile. Calendar sales help support the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department's work managing New Hampshire's natural resources we all enjoy — the state's fish and wildlife and their habitats.

Calendars are available for \$9.95 at N.H. Fish and Game headquarters, 11 Hazen Drive in Concord, N.H., or use the print-and-mail order form at www.wildnh.com/Shop/calendar.html (shipping is free for 1–5 calendars).

The calendar is an attractive local product that is ideal for home or office, and makes the perfect gift for friends and relatives who enjoy nature and the great outdoors. The images bring New Hampshire's wildlife up close and personal, from the graceful loon on the cover to September's bull moose sending up spray as it gallops through a marshland. For a preview, visit www.wildnh.com/Shop/calendar.html.

Wholesale pricing is available for retailers who want to carry the 2012 N.H. Fish & Wildlife calendar in their stores; to download a wholesale order form, visit www.wildnh.com/Shop/calendar.html or contact Mark Beauchesne at 603-271-6355.

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American Legion Post 88 News

This past month was very quiet with no major problems — that's a good thing. We are still doing very well on membership; let's keep up the good work. New members are always welcome.

We have lost a 52-year member: Robert (Bob) Burr. He'd been at The Arches in Tilton, where he had very good care. Our thoughts and well wishes go out to his family and friends. He will be missed by all.

This past September raffle drawings winners: \$50.00/John Chase, \$25.00/Dennis and Dot Lowe, \$10.00/Will Delker, \$10.00/Mary Piroso, and \$5.00/John Osgood. For those of you who didn't win: better luck this coming month!

The month of November will be here soon. We have two holidays: Veterans' Day on Friday the 11th — thank a veteran and fly our flag to show your support — and Thanksgiving is Thursday the 24th. Enjoy and hope it is not too cold or "snowing." We know it is coming...but let's not rush the season!!!

We have had complaints about the top staple on the cemetery flags coming loose. It is being addressed. We will be picking up damaged flags and, if anyone else picks up some, please put them in the flag box at the Legion.

If there are mistakes in grammar, punctuation or spelling, forgive me. I was a pole jockey, not a writer. You know, this is hard!

This is it for this month. Keep warm, have great holidays, and stay safe.

The Legion Family

Loudon Farms: Buy Locally!

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

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Nearly 2,000 Gathered at Farm Day at Miles Smith Farm: Annual Event Offered Free for the Whole Family

Nearly 2,000 people enjoyed the beautiful weather and learned about life on the farm at the recent Fourth Annual Miles Smith Farm Day.

Farm representatives shared the benefits of buying fresh and buying local as well as the local tradition and simpler way of life on a working farm as visitors enjoyed the fall festivities and spectacular foliage.

"We were thrilled to be able to showcase what farm life is all about," said owner Carole Soule. "It was both a fun and informative day for all who attended and we're already looking forward to next year's event."

Visitors listened to Celtic music as they took hay rides around the farm and fed the Scottish Highland cattle apples. "The Pressure is On" band played as The Human Scarecrow (Linda Ray from Clover Clown Company) greeted guests.

One of the highlights of the day for children was a unique new treat — "Riding Highlanders." Children were able to get their picture taken in the saddle on top of one of Miles Smith Farm's friendly and well-trained Scottish Highlander cows.

Throughout the day the Hampstead Stage Company took on the roles of Miles Smith and his family and guided visitors on a cemetery walk to share the history of the farm. Face painting, Disney Radio, and many other activities completed the day, which included lots of great food such as hot apple cider, beef stew and hamburgers. Many people chose to visit the new farm store, which is heated and powered by solar energy, to purchase and take home some of the local food they had experienced.

Miles Smith Farm, a 36-acre farm located at 56 Whitehouse Road in Loudon, has been around for over 150 years and has been providing Granite State citizens with locally-produced, grass-fed beef for the last six years.

Next year's Fifth Annual Farm Day will take place Sunday, October 7, 2012 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., rain or shine. Admission to the event is free. Mark your calendars now.

For more information about Miles Smith Farm or Farm Day contact the farm at 603-783-5159 or visit www.milesmithfarm.com. ■



Twenty-two month-old Jack Gorczyk of Concord made a new friend at the recent Miles Smith Farm Fourth Annual Farm Day in Loudon.



Cove Boucher, 8, of Pembroke, takes a turn at riding Highlander Missy at Miles Smith Farm in Loudon, as his sister, Cheyenne Boucher, 13, provides a helping hand. "Riding Highlanders" was a highlight at the recent Fourth Annual Miles Smith Farm 2011 Farm Day.

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Senior Health Clinics in November

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association is offering a Senior Health Clinic on Tuesday, November 22 from 9 a.m. until noon at the Richard Brown House here in Loudon. All Senior Health Clinic services are provided for a suggested donation of \$10; however, services are provided regardless of a person's ability to pay. Blood pressure checks are free. To make an appointment, call Concord Regional VNA at (603) 224-4093 or (800) 924-8620, ext. 5815. If you need a ride, please call 798-5203.

November Public Seasonal Flu Clinics

Concord Regional VNA is holding public seasonal flu clinics in November. Specially-trained nurses are available to administer seasonal flu shots to people age 4 and over and answer your flu-related questions.

The fee is \$25 per immunization (cash or check) or Medicare B, Medicaid, Healthy Kids, Harvard Pilgrim or Anthem is accepted (NH or Federal). Clients with insurance ID cards at the clinics do not have to pay a fee.

The Loudon Clinic will be held Monday, November 7, 10 a.m.–Noon, at the Richard Brown House, 142 South Village Road.

For a complete list of clinics, visit www.crvna.org or call (603) 224-4093 or (800) 924-8620. Seasonal flu clinics are dependent upon the availability of the flu vaccine and are subject to change.

Walk-In Immunization Clinics

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association is holding the following affordable monthly Walk-in Immunization Clinics for all ages: Monday, November 7 from 1–3 p.m. and Tuesday, November 15 from 2:30–4:30 p.m.

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

Walk-In Blood Pressure Clinic

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association is holding a free monthly Walk-in Blood Pressure Clinic on Friday, November 4, from 10 a.m.–Noon at the West Street Ward House, 41 West St., Concord.

Blood pressure screenings are a good way for individuals to track their blood pressure for upcoming visits to their physician. For more information, call Concord Regional VNA at (603) 224-4093 or (800) 924-8620.

"Finding Holiday Joy Amid the Emotions"

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association is offering "Finding Holiday Joy Amid the Emotions," on Thursday, November 18 at 6 p.m. at Granite Ledges of Concord.

Many changes occur during the holidays that can trigger a myriad of emotions. Have you experienced changes in relationships, health status, or experienced the loss of a loved one or job? As a result, many people have mixed feelings including sadness, fear, hopelessness, stress, and frustration. Discover techniques on how to heal and lessen the impact of loss.

For more information or to RSVP, call Sarah Gilman at (603) 224-4093, ext. 2828.

Hospice Lights of Life

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association's Hospice Lights of Life is under way and our community members are welcome to honor a loved one or a friend by illuminating a light in their memory and listing their name in the Hospice Lights of Life Honor Roll. The deadline to ensure the name is listed in the honor roll publication is on or before November 15.

Those honored do not need to have been a part of the Concord Regional VNA Hospice Program. They only need to have held a special place in our hearts. There is no cost to the community to honor a loved one or friend but donations are accepted.

For more information about Hospice Lights of Life, visit www.crvna.org or call (603) 224-4093, ext. 5807. ■

**The Deadline for the December issue of *The Loudon Ledger* is:
Friday, November 18, 2011**



Home Maintenance Tips for Fall

By Jack Prendiville

Century 21 Thompson Real Estate

As fall is upon us, see this checklist to preserve the health of your home.

- 1. Clean the gutters:** As you clear leaves, dirt, and pine needles from gutters, examine downspouts for damage. Check the flashing around your chimney and look for damage to the roof that may lead to leaks.
- 2. Change the filters:** Change the air filter in your central air conditioning system or if you have a window air conditioning unit, remove from the window or place a waterproof cover over it to prevent damage. Change filters in stove vents, clothes dryers and room fans if applicable.
- 3. Drafty days:** Evaluate the seal and caulking around the window frames to prevent losing heat in the winter.
- 4. Fix leaky faucets:** Avoid broken pipes in the winter months and repair leaky faucets in the kitchen, baths and laundry rooms now.
- 5. Clean sweep:** Examine and clean your fireplace damper and ensure the flue is operating correctly. A professional chimney sweep may be necessary.
- 6. In hot water:** Often, if you live in an area with hard water, extra amounts of sediments build up in your hot water heater. Drain and make sure rust is not developing. ■

OBITUARIES

PAUL A. SYLVESTER

Paul A. Sylvester, 64, of Loudon died peacefully at home Sunday, October 2, 2011, following a difficult battle against cancer, his loving wife at his side.

Paul was born in Boston, March 28, 1947, the son of John and Virginia (Tibbo) Sylvester. He was raised and educated in Massachusetts. After high school Paul enlisted in the US Air Force and proudly served his country from 1966–1973 during the Vietnam War. Following his time in the service, Paul went back to school and graduated from Indiana University with a Physician Assistant degree. As a PA, he was employed in a variety of settings, including family and general practice, psychiatric, geriatric, and correctional medicine. He also worked as a Deputy Medical Examiner. Of all his professional accomplishments, he was particularly proud of the work he did with the Department of Defense reviewing and counseling soldiers going to and returning from combat areas. He spent several years in this line of work which sent him to locations all over the world.

Paul loved to travel with his wife and children. He wanted to see everything the world had to offer and filled every spare moment of the travel itineraries to be sure no sight went undiscovered. Paul was one of the founding members of the NH Society of Physician Assistants. He was also a member of the M'sters Miata Club for several years, taking countless road trips in "Little Red." He was an avid wood worker who spent decades crafting cabinets and finish work for his home, and most recently, turning custom pens. One of the things Paul will be most fondly will be remembered for was his wonderful and sometimes unusual sense of humor.

Paul is survived by his wife of 29 years, Joyce Doris (Simpson) Sylvester; two sons, John Paul Vincent of Maryland, Scott Sylvester of New York City; and his only grandchild Olivia. Also left behind are his favorite mother-in-law and numerous brothers- and sisters-in-law, nieces, and nephews.

He was buried with military honors at the New Hampshire State Veterans Cemetery in Boscawen. In lieu of flowers the family requests that donations in Paul's memory be made to The American Red Cross at PO Box 4002018, Des Moines, IA 50340-2018 or online at www.redcross.org/donate. ■



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Maxfield Public Library Trustees' Meeting Minutes — Aug. 22, 2011

In Attendance: Trustees Kenneth Krzewick, Stephen Del Deo, Library Director Nancy Hendy, Guest Laura Vincent.

Ken Krzewick officially opened the meeting at 3:35 p.m.

Steve Del Deo motioned that the Trustees accept the minutes from the July 25, 2011 Trustees' Meeting. Ken Krzewick seconded. All were in favor.

Ken Krzewick motioned to seal the minutes from the July 25, 2011 Executive Session for 5 years. Steve Del Deo seconded. All were in favor.

Nancy Hendy provided the Library Director's Report including the following:

- A total of one hundred and thirty-four adults, teens, and children completed the Summer Reading Program. Of the children who finished, 87% attended the prize party on August 11.
- A series of seven weeks of yoga sessions will begin in September on Thursday nights. Fran Nash will lead the group. The fee is \$35.
- Joan Malfait donated and planted flowers by the main entrance.
- The Downloadable Audio Books consortium surcharge for this year is \$220.00. New annual rates for membership are still to be announced.
- A call for artists has gone out for the Fall Fine Arts Show.

- The financial records for FY 2010–2011 went to the Town Auditor today for review.

The Trustees inspected the outside of the library and building grounds. It was noted that the parking lines in the parking lot were recently painted. Thanks to the Loudon Highway Department. Additional work will be completed before winter, including some painting of doors and trim, and patchwork in the walkway to the main entry.

The Trustees reviewed the expenditures sheet, and profit and loss sheet. The Trustees discussed necessary information they will begin gathering to complete the proposed budget for the 2012–2013 Fiscal Year. This includes; projected fuel oil and electric costs, maintenance costs, taxes, medical and retirement contributions.

The next Maxfield Library Trustees Meeting was scheduled for Monday September 19, 2011 at 3:30 p.m.

Steve Del Deo motioned to adjourn the meeting. Ken Krzewick seconded. All were in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Sandra Blanchard
Kenneth Krzewick
Stephen Del Deo

MVSD School Board Meeting Minutes — Sept. 12 & 19, 2011

September 12, 2011

1. Roll Call and Call to Order:

The regular meeting held at Salisbury Elementary School was called to order by Chairman Mark Hutchins at 7:18 p.m. Chairman Hutchins welcomed everyone to the September board meeting.

Board Members Present: Mark Hutchins, Normandie Blake, Lorrie Carey, Audrey Carter, Troy Cowan, Jim Lavery, David Longnecker, Will Renaud, Laura Vincent

Administrators Present: Superintendent Mike Martin; Assistant Superintendent Chris Barry; Business Administrator Robin Heins; Human Resources Manager Kathleen Boucher; Principals Mike Jette, Pat Severance, Tom Laliberte, Jeff Drouin, Sandy Davis, Linda McAllister; Assistant Principals Pam Hill, James Tremblay, Catherine Masterson, Assistant Principal for Special Education Maureen Gross, Mary Paradise; Facilities Director Fred Reagan

Others Present: Carly Colby, MVHS Student Representative

2. Minutes of Previous Meetings:

Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Audrey Carter, to approve the August 8, 2011 Board Meeting minutes (pages 1–5 in the packet). Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Lorrie Carey, to approve the August 29, 2011 Special Board Meeting minutes (pages 6–7 in the packet). Motion passed unanimously.

3. Public Participation:

Carly Colby, MVHS Student Representative, reported on high school news.

4. Good News:

Mike Martin and building principals reported on good news items throughout the district.

7:38 p.m., Thomas Godfrey arrived.

5. Committee Reports:

FACILITIES COMMITTEE:

Thomas Godfrey reported on the August 22, 2011 Facilities Committee meeting (minutes on page 18 in the packet). Fred Reagan reviewed the list of items on the back burner.

Facilities Committee meeting scheduled for Monday, October 17, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. at the SAU office.

CURRICULUM COMMITTEE:

Laura Vincent reported on the August 29, 2011 Curriculum Committee meeting (minutes on page 19 in the packet). *Motion by Laura Vincent, second by Thomas Godfrey, to authorize Salisbury and Webster Elementary Schools to move forward with their IB application for PYP authorization and for Boscawen, Loudon and Penacook Elementary Schools to apply when they are ready. Motion passed unanimously.*

Curriculum Committee meeting rescheduled for Monday, September 26, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. at the SAU office.

ANDOVER/MERRIMACK VALLEY SPECIAL COMMITTEE:

Mike Martin reported on the August 25, 2011 Andover/Merrimack Valley School District Special Committee meeting (minutes on pages 20–22 in the packet). The consensus of the committee was that the request was not a manifest hardship.

SALISBURY/WEBSTER STUDY COMMITTEE:

Chris Barry reported on the August 22, 2011 Salisbury/Webster Study Committee meeting (minutes on page 23 in the packet).

Salisbury/Webster Study Committee meeting was rescheduled for Monday, September 26, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at the SAU Office.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Troy Cowan reported on the September 7, 2011 Finance Committee meeting (minutes on page 24 in the packet). Will Renaud noted that although he was not listed as present in the minutes, he did attend this meeting. *Motion by Troy Cowan, second by Normandie Blake, to use the amount of \$806,936 for the purpose of presenting a decreased budget at a special public hearing. After a discussion regarding information to present at the Public Hearing, the motion passed unanimously.*

OTHER:

The board noted that the Policy meeting currently scheduled for Monday, September 19, 2011 will need to be rescheduled due to the Public Hearing.

Transportation Committee meeting scheduled for Monday, October 3, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. at Webster Elementary School.

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MVSD School Board Meeting Dates and Locations — 2011-2012

MEETINGS START AT 7:15 PM

Nov. 14, 2011 — Salisbury Elementary School

Dec. 12, 2011 — MVHS

Jan. 9, 2012 — MVHS

Feb. 13, 2012 — MVHS

March 12, 2012 — Penacook Elementary School

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**6. Old Business:
RENEWAL ENERGY GENERATION
GRANT UPDATE:**

Fred Reagan updated the board on the status of our application for grants for renewable energy generation projects.

NEASC REPORT — HIGH SCHOOL:

Mike Jette summarized the official written report from the visiting team of the New England Association of School and Colleges (pages 26–92 in the packet).

**STEERING COMMITTEE FOR
IMPROVEMENT (IB):**

Chris Barry reported on the September 1, 2011 Steering Committee for Improvement (IB) meeting (minutes on page 93 in the packet).

OTHER:

The board discussed the unpaid monies in the Food Service Budget.

7. New Business:

2011–2012 FIELD TRIPS REQUEST:

Mike Martin reviewed the list of overnight field trips (pages 94–96 in the packet). After a brief discuss, a motion was made by Normandie Blake, second by Will Renauld, to approve the field trips presented. The board asked to be kept updated via the weekly newsletter regarding the details of the Disney trip. Motion passed unanimously.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM:

Robin Heins reported on a notice from the Town of Loudon Planning and Zoning Office, Capital Improvements Program Committee regarding an application for capital improvement projects in Loudon (pages 97–101 in the packet).

OTHER:

None

8. Manifests/Journal Entries to Sign:

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

9. Board Chairman's Report: None

10. Assistant Superintendent's Report:

Chris Barry reported on opening day enrollment numbers. Chris and Maureen Gross provided information on homeless numbers.

11. Superintendent's Report: None

Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Will Renauld, to go into non-public session in accordance with RSA 91 A:3II to discuss personnel at 9:05 p.m. Motion passed.

Break at 9:05 p.m.

Board Members Present: Mark Hutchins, Normandie Blake, Lorrie Carey,

Audrey Carter, Troy Cowan, Thomas Godfrey, Jim Lavery, David Longnecker, Will Renauld, Laura Vincent

12. See Non-Public Session Minutes.

13. Return to Public Session:

Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Lorrie Carey, to go out of non-public session at 9:35 p.m. Motion passed.

14. Action from Non-Public Session:

Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Lorrie Carey, to approve the nomination of Susan Pleau as MV Learning Center Administrator; Step 9 of the Administrators Track, \$76,251. Motion passed.

Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Lorrie Carey, to support the recommendation of the Student Ethics Committee and deny the student request for readmission. Motion passed.

Motion by Troy Cowan, second by Lorrie Carey, to recess the meeting until after the Public Hearing on September 19, 2011. Motion passed.

15. Meeting recessed at 9:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Sally Welch
Clerk

**MERRIMACK VALLEY
SCHOOL DISTRICT PUBLIC
HEARING
September 19, 2011**

Board Members Present: Mark Hutchins, Normandie Blake, Lorrie Carey, Audrey Carter, Troy Cowan, Jim Lavery, David Longnecker, Will Renauld, Laura Vincent

Administrators Present: Superintendent Mike Martin; Assistant Superintendent Chris Barry; Business Administrator Robin Heins; Human Resources Manager Kathleen Boucher; and other District Administrators

Others Present: Don Pfundstein, Legal Counsel. Thirty-three (33) people from the public were present.

Chairman Mark Hutchins opened the Public Hearing at 7:00 p.m. Mark Hutchins explained that tonight's Public Hearing is being held to review the Warrant Article for the Special School District Meeting on Thursday, October 6, 2011. Chairman Hutchins introduced Troy Cowan, Finance Committee Chairman, to discuss the Article.

Troy Cowan explained the reason for holding a Special District Meeting. Troy reviewed the budget, revenue and district assessment information presented on page two in the informational packet provided at tonight's meeting. Troy provided information as to where the reductions will come from.

After the presentation, Troy Cowan, along with other School Board members, Superintendent Mike Martin and other District Administrators, answered questions and addressed comments from the floor.

With no further questions or comments from the public, Chairman Hutchins closed the Public Hearing at 7:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Sally Welch
Clerk

**MERRIMACK VALLEY
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
MINUTES PUBLIC SESSION
September 19, 2011**

Roll Call and Call to Order: The meeting held at Merrimack Valley High School was reconvened (from the recessed meeting of September 12, 2011) on a motion by Laura Vincent, second by Will Renauld, at 7:56 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Board members present: Mark Hutchins, Normandie Blake, Lorrie Carey, Audrey Carter, Troy Cowan, Jim Lavery, David Longnecker, Will Renauld, Laura Vincent

Administrators present: Superintendent Mike Martin; Assistant Superintendent Chris Barry; Business Administrator Robin Heins; Human Resources Manager Kathleen Boucher; Principals Pat Severance, Jeff

Drouin, Tom Laliberte, Linda McAllister, Sandy Davis; Assistant Principals for Special Education Maureen Gross, Mary Paradise; Assistant Principals Catherine Masterson, Pam Hill, James Tremblay; Athletic Director Kevin O'Brien

Others present: Don Pfundstein, Legal Counsel; Molly Connors, Reporter; Sandy Miller, Budget Committee, Salisbury; Marcia Murphy, Salisbury Resident; Roy Merrill, Loudon Resident; Russell Cochran, Loudon Resident

Motion by Troy Cowan, second by Will Renauld, to approve reducing the 2011–2012 operating budget appropriation of \$34,622,776 by Eight Hundred Six Thousand Nine Hundred Thirty Six Dollars (\$806,936) on the Warrant for the Special School District Meeting on October 6, 2011. The board discussed the comments from the public at the Public Hearing.

Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Laura Vincent, to adjourn. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Sally Welch
Clerk

**Selectmen's Meeting Minutes —
September 13, 2011**

Present: Selectmen Ives, Bowles, and Krieger.

Also present were Fire Chief Jeffrey Burr Sr., Police Chief Robert N. Fiske, and Stanley Prescott from the Planning Board.

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

Selectman Bowles moved to accept the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, September 6, 2011 as written; seconded by Selectman Krieger. All were in favor. Motion carries.

Chairman Ives opened the Board of Permit.

Chief Fiske stated he has two Hawkers & Peddlers permits and one amended permit.

The first is Renegade Playground, an endurance event at the track on October 8. They submitted a map, they have insurance, the track gave permission and the Conservation Commission is on board.

Speedway Charities is holding a silent auction at their lobster bake it is a one day event.

The amended permit is a request by Michelle York. She was given the okay to sell hotdogs at Foxpond Plaza and on Hollow Route Road at the sap house. She would also like to try selling them on dump road. Mr. Fiske stated that he already told her as Health Officer that it couldn't happen inside the dump. Mrs. York said she could ask Mr. Moody about using his property. Chairman Ives stated that unless Mr. Moody agreed for it to be entirely on his property and they could get people off dump road he would

not be in favor of it. Selectman Krieger agreed that dump road already gets congested. Stan Prescott stated that he thinks it would be in the way and not an appropriate location.

Chief Fiske stated that Miles Smith Farm is having their open house Sunday, October 9, 2011. Last year they had approximately 2,000 people and they expect 4,000 this year. They will have parking at the Farmers Market and two buses shuttling people to the open house. Selectman Bowles stated that parking works out well.

Chief Fiske asked if Rymes was on the Board of Permit agenda to which he was informed it was not. Chairman Ives said that they received a letter from Speedway Convenience, they assumed the terms of their Hawkers & Peddlers would be relaxed because they did okay at the last race. Chief Fiske stated that based on a telephone poll the Hawkers and Peddlers permit was rubber stamped. He explained that Speedway Convenience wanted something in writing because the contingency that was sent to them was based on good performance; unless they had good performance their parking permit would not be renewed. Chief Fiske said that Donna made a telephone call to Tom Dow, Stan Prescott and a couple of other people and a letter was generated. With that letter and the Hawker and Peddlers permit everything is in order. Chairman Ives stated that they don't have to give Speedway Convenience anything, that they are all set. Chief Fiske agreed. Selectman

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Bowles asked if Speedway Convenience knows they need to follow the plan from July's race. Chief Fiske stated that the letter indicates that.

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

The Board met with Chief Fiske.

Chairman Ives stated for the record seven (7) pistol permits were submitted for signature and approval.

The Selectman asked if Chief Fiske has spoken to Kit Thorstensen. Chief Fiske said Kit has the metal for the PD and the Highway Department. They asked Chief Fiske to mention the library roof to him when he talks to him again.

Chief Fiske was asked if knows the date for next year's Indy Race yet? Chief Fiske said that he does not know the date. He brought it up at the DOT meeting. Chief Fiske explained to them at the meeting that if the Timberman is the same day as the race, the race traffic will be held up for 45 minutes.

The Board met with Chief Burr.

Chief Burr said that the truck committee has been working on getting something together for the budget for a ladder truck. He will have the Selectmen review it before it goes into the budget.

Chief Burr submitted a copy of an updated schedule for the September race. Chief Burr said he delivered the schedule to NHMS today.

Chief Burr stated that he has more information about the emergency exercise drill at the airport. He explained that the FAA requires a full scale exercise every three years. Loudon has been added to the airport list. The exercise is to get familiar with the airport where to respond, routes to use etc. The exercise will take place October 1, 2011. Discussion ensued about the cost of sending the ambulance that far, how long the training will be, mutual aid etc. Chief Burr will get more information about bringing observers and discuss it next week.

Chief Burr received a handout from Concord Hospital Trust and explained that they do a golf tournament each year. They use the money that is raised for services that use Concord Hospital. This year they have a Mechanical Compression Device. It cost \$18,000.00. If the town is interested in receiving one their share would be \$6,500.00. Chief Burr said there is a woman at the Concord Hospital Trust that will help raise the \$6,500.00 through fundraisers and charities. Selectman Bowles asked what kind of maintenance fees would be required. Chief Burr said that as with anything mechanical it could break. Chief Fiske asked what kind of training would be necessary. Chief Burr said anyone could learn to use it; it only takes 15-20 minutes to learn. The Selectman said that Chief Burr could pursue it but to keep in mind that the \$6,500.00 must be raised it can't come out of the budget.

The Selectmen had questions for Chief Burr about some bills and purchases that

were submitted last week. Chairman Ives asked about the purchase of leather boots. Chief Burr stated that leather boots are more comfortable and better on the feet. Chairman Ives said that they don't normally buy leather it used to be rubber. Chairman Ives asked when they started buying leather helmets. Chief Burr said a couple of years ago. Selectman Bowles asked when the decision came up and who made it, to go with this line of boots and helmets. Chief Burr stated that the officers sat down and talked about it. Selectman Krieger asked if they have a clothing allowance. Chief Burr stated they do, the department purchases the items and when a member leaves they take them back and re-issue. Chairman Ives said that he understands the boots but the helmets are just decorative, the yellow fiberglass helmets were fine.

Jim McNeil asked what the specs are for the ladder truck that is being discussed. Discussion ensued as to the kind of truck. Chairman Ives suggested that when the truck committee has the specs for the truck that they hold a public input session before town meeting. Mr. McNeil has concerns about the truck that is being considered. He stated that he doesn't think that the town needs a brand new ladder truck when they can get a used one for half the price.

Selectman Krieger told Chief Burr that he needs to put a better explanation on the bills he submits. The Selectmen can't decipher the codes that Chief Burr uses so it's hard to know what is being paid for.

Selectman Krieger moved to go in to a quick executive session at 7:24 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Bowles. Roll call vote: Krieger — yes; Bowles — yes; Ives — yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Present were Selectmen Ives, Bowles and Krieger and Fire Chief Jeffrey Burr Sr. *Selectman Krieger moved to come out of executive session at 7:44 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Bowles. Roll call vote: Krieger — yes; Bowles — yes; Ives — yes.* Chairman Ives stated that the purpose of the executive session was to discuss procedures, purchases and personnel issues at the Fire Department.

The Board received a request for a copy of the executive minute tape from a couple of weeks ago. Selectmen Bowles explained that per town counsel they do not tape executive sessions.

Selectman Bowles stated that the lower pads and retaining wall are done at the dump, the upper pad may be poured on Thursday. Selectman Krieger thanked Mike Milligan for doing the work. Selectman Bowles thanked Roy Merrill for the use of his compactor. Selectman Krieger thanked all that were involved in the project.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received a copy of a check received 08/30/11 from NHMS for the Indy Car race in August in the amount of \$36,163.25.

The Board received a letter from Donna McHugh about an overdue ambulance bill. Selectman Krieger reminded the Board that they had set up a payment plan for \$10.00 for month. Chairman Ives suggested that

they have her come in to discuss it with them, if she doesn't want to do that it will be sent to collections.

The Board received a memo from Dave Wiley, Cross Country Appraisal Group, LLC concerning an abatement request from Inisfree Investments. Mr. Wiley suggested that the Board request mill slips from Inisfree. The Board is in agreement with Mr. Wiley and Selectman Bowles will discuss it with him Thursday.

The Board received past due ambulance bills for review. Selectman Krieger made a motion to send the following ambulance bills to collection: account #220623 in the amount of \$483.90, account #48649 in the amount of \$483.90, account #13018 in the amount of \$595.10 and account #48648 in the amount of \$483.90; seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board received a copy of an email from Donna White about the Capital Improvements Program meeting.

The Board received a copy of an email concerning handicap parking at NHMS.

The Board received an anonymous letter concerning Cross Country Appraisal Group, LLC and a letter from Jeff Earl, Cross Country Appraisal Group, LLC.

The Board received a memo from Bonnie Theriault, Office Assistant with a copy of memo that she sent to Chief Burr.

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — September 20, 2011

Present: Chairman Ives and Selectman Bowles. Selectman Krieger did not attend this meeting.

Also present was Road Agent Dave Rice and Fire Chief Jeff Burr.

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

Selectman Bowles moved to accept the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, September 13, 2011 as written; seconded by Chairman Ives. All were in favor. Motion carries.

The Board met with Road Agent Dave Rice.

Mr. Rice stated that they have been out mowing roadsides with the brush hog.

He stated that they re-did the brakes on the older packer trailer.

Mr. Rice said that they have been working at the dump re-doing the area for demolition and metal. He is hoping to pour the concrete pad for the metal tomorrow.

He stated that they are inspecting trucks now and that is going well.

Chairman Ives asked about the cold patch. Mr. Rice said it is mixed up and he'll be covering it with tarps before winter.

The Board met with Fire Chief Jeff Burr.

Chief Burr stated that Manchester Boston Regional Airport got hold of him today. They have agreed to allow two observers along with the ambulance crew to attend the October 1st exercise. The Board reviewed the copy of the letter that Chief Burr had given to the Selectmen's office from Manchester-Boston Regional Airport. Chairman Ives stated that the person that goes down there to observe needs to treat this like a class and bring back information to the town, so it's worth it to the town for them to go down there. Chief Burr stated that this is a great learning tool. Chairman Ives asked if the plan is to send ambulance two, Chief Burr said yes. Selectman Bowles stated that he still isn't thrilled with sending our equipment that far. Chairman Ives said

The Board received a request from Jeff Burr for a copy of the tape of an executive session.

The Board received an email and draft copies of the July 17th NHMS Traffic Summary, Traffic Analysis and Traffic Data from DOT.

The Board received notice of a meeting concerning storm damage. Dave Rice and Brenda Pearl attended the meeting.

The Board received a copy of an agenda for a Northeast Resource Recovery Association meeting.

The Board received scholarship thank you notes.

The Board received information from Primex on CERT Volunteers. Chairman Ives suggested that this information be forwarded to Chief Fiske and the director of the CERT team.

The Board received copies of letters given to George Saunderson concerning scholarship monies.

Miscellaneous correspondence.

Selectman Bowles moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Krieger. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Steven R. Ives, Chairman

Dustin J. Bowles, Selectman

Robert P. Krieger, Selectman

that if Chief Burr can get a crew together they can go.

Chief Burr explained that he received a Medicare revalidation request. He stated that he completed most of the forms. He said that going forward Medicare will no longer be issuing paper checks. Chief Burr requests that the town fill out the remainder of Form CMS588 which is the electronic fund transfer authorization agreement so that Medicare checks will be automatically deposited right into the town's bank account. He explained that they will need a copy of the town's liability insurance policy and there is a \$505.00 fee that needs to be paid electronically or by credit card prior to submitting all this paperwork. Chairman Ives asked what the fee is for. Chief Burr explained that it is for submitting all the paperwork and all that they have to do. Selectman Bowles questioned the fact they are requiring the town to do this and then they charge the town for it. Chief Burr stated that the last time he did this there was no fee and they issued paper checks. Chief Burr said that they also require a letter from the town's bank. Chairman Ives what these checks are for. Chief Burr stated that when someone is transported that is on Medicare, Medicare pays the bill. Chief Burr asked that the town office finish the forms. Chairman Ives stated that he would get it to the Office Manager and Treasurer to be completed.

Chief Burr stated that they are ready for the race this weekend. Chairman Ives asked if Chief Burr is prepared for Monday in case the race is postponed due to the weather. Chief Burr stated that he talked to the volunteers about that and has a contingency plan just in case.

Selectman Bowles asked if it was possible to get out and pick up the yellow tape that is everywhere, that was put out during



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the storm. Chief Burr stated that they will work on it.

Chairman Ives stated that the harvest supper will be coming up soon. The date is October 15th.

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

Chairman Ives said they received, courtesy of the Loudon Police Department, a photo of the Smiley Face that the Hunting-ton's put up every year at the corner of Routes 129 and 106.

The Selectmen received a memo from Chief Fiske concerning the roof at the library. The Selectmen had asked Chief Fiske to ask Kit Thorstensen about the roof when he was at the safety building. Mr. Thorstensen told Chief Fiske that the roof is rusted considerably although it's his opinion that it won't be a problem with leakage for quite some time and the only option is to replace the metal. Discussion ensued as to why the roof couldn't be painted.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received a copy of letter to Chief Burr from Manchester-Boston Regional Airport. Chairman Ives stated that they discussed it earlier with Chief Burr.

Chairman Ives made a motion to send the following ambulance bill to collection: account #24551 in the amount of \$120.11. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. Chairman Ives explained that they asked the lady to come in and talk to them about it and she refused. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board received an email from Stephanie at CNHRPC with attached letter from FEMA stating final approval of Loudon's Hazard Mitigation Plan.

The Board received a reminder of the Capital Improvement Meeting in the Community Building Wednesday, September 21st at 8:30 am. Chairman Ives stated that Selectman Krieger is the Boards representative and he will be out of town.

The Board received a notice of State of NH Surplus Property Auction.

The Board received a copy of a letter from the NH Association of Assessing Officials.

The Board received a letter from the State of NH DOT that contained a survey.

The Board received a letter from National Grid about a fixed price option.

The Board received copies of the September 15, 2011 Planning Board meeting Minutes.

The Board received a thank you email from PSNH for assistance during Tropical Storm Irene.

The Board received Legislative bulletin #26.

The Board received a scholarship thank you.

The Board received NHMS/DOT meeting minutes, a traffic control contact list and race schedule.

The Board received a letter from Jean Lee concerning her hours. The Board agreed with the hours as presented.

Miscellaneous correspondence.

Selectman Bowles stated that he would like to see a good turnout at the School Board meeting on October 6th at 7:00. Chairman Ives stated that this meeting is concerning the budget.

Selectman Bowles moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:01 p.m.; seconded by Chairman Ives. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Steven R. Ives, Chairman
Dustin J. Bowles, Selectman
Robert P. Krieger, Selectman

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — September 27, 2011

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

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

Selectman Bowles moved to accept the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, September 20, 2011 as written; seconded by Chairman Ives. All were in favor. Motion carries.

Chairman Ives stated that due to the race and the long weekend Police Chief Fiske was not present. Chief Fiske did submit a bill for C.N. Brown/Loudon Big Apple for security for the race for \$967.50. Chief Fiske also submitted a bill for New Hampshire Motor Speedway for the September race for \$94,150.25. Chairman Ives stated that these bills were for police only, nothing to do with the fire department.

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

Selectman Bowles made a motion to hire Brenda Pearl as a part-time administrative assistant to Jean Lee. Seconded by Selectman Krieger. Chairman Ives stated that Mrs. Pearl's hours are eight hours on Mondays, four hours on Tuesdays and eight hours on Wednesdays for twenty hours per week but that those hours are flexible and one reason she was hired was because she is able to be flexible. All were in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Bowles said that letters need to be written to the other applicants, thanking them for applying and explaining that the position is filled and their applications will be kept on file.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received and reviewed some legal correspondence.

The Board was made aware the office received the *Municipal Law Lecture Series* and *Basic Law of Budgeting* books.

The Board received a copy of the New Hampshire Motor Speedway Fire Department billing for the Sylvania 300 for \$23,586.50. Selectman Krieger stated that this was under budget and they did a good job. Chairman Ives said that both departments did an excellent job keeping costs down but that they are at the threshold; they cannot cut any more personnel.

The Board received a copy of the Capital Improvement Committee minutes for their review.

The Board received a copy of the September Zoning Board minutes for their review.

Selectman Krieger made a motion to send the following ambulance bill to collection: account #49659 for \$672.80. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board received a notification of a revised assessment on town owned Canterbury properties on Tallant Road for review.

The Board received a rate setting hearing notice from the Local Government Center and Primex.

The Board received a copy of an abutter letter that went out last week.

The Board received an email from Central NH Regional Planning on the Bicycle/Pedestrian Plan update.

The Board received a scholarship thank you letter.

Miscellaneous Correspondence.

Selectman Krieger asked about the street signs on Village and Chichester roads, the street sign at Bee Hole and Chichester road and the railing at the Town Office. Selectman Bowles said that the crew has been busy at the dump but they should be finished this

week. Discussion ensued about a name for the street behind Z-1.

Chairman Ives opened the public hearing at 7:00 p.m. by reading aloud the following Notice of Public Hearing:

The Board of Selectmen of the Town of Loudon will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, September 27, 2011 at 7:00 P.M. in the Community Building, located behind the Town Offices. Purpose of this hearing is to amend the Town of Loudon Solid Waste/Transfer Station Ordinance, Section III-h Licenses/Fees as follows:

Increase Individual Residential Sticker from \$1.00 to \$4.00.

Increase Individual Commercial Sticker from \$1.00 to \$4.00.

This increase to become effective with the sale of the 2012 stickers beginning on December 1, 2011.

Chairman Ives explained that during discussions at town meeting about the Household Hazard Waste Recycling Day \$10,000.00 was appropriated to have it every two years. In discussion they came up with the idea to increase the price of the stickers to raise the money so that every two years they are not boosting the budget by \$10,000.00, the money will already be in there to do it. Chairman Ives explained that the reason they choose to go from \$1.00 to \$4.00 is that the town sells about 1800 stickers so they will raise about \$5,400 per year. The town will generate that amount to cover the Household Hazard Waste Recycling Day. Selectman Bowles stated that the stickers are close to \$1.00 each to get made which is why they were charging that \$1.00 before.

Selectman Bowles made a motion to Increase Individual Residential Sticker from \$1.00 to \$4.00 and to increase Individual Commercial Stickers from \$1.00 to \$4.00 for the purpose of raising revenue to support the Household Hazard Waste Recycling Day to begin on 12/1/2011. Seconded by Selectman Krieger.

Discussion: Chip Cochran asked what happens as people get rid of stuff, they're not going to have the same amount of stuff every other year, so the money you need is going to go down unless the price to get rid of it goes up. Selectman Bowles said that is an unknown. Mr. Cochran asked what happens if in two years the cost is only \$4,000.00 will the price of the stickers be lowered. Selectman Bowles stated that the money would end up in the general fund at the end of the year. Chairman Ives said that a few years down the road if the sticker price needs to be adjusted they can revisit it. Steve Bennett from the transfer station explained that the two previous collection events cost between \$8,500.00 and \$9,000.00 which is why they picked

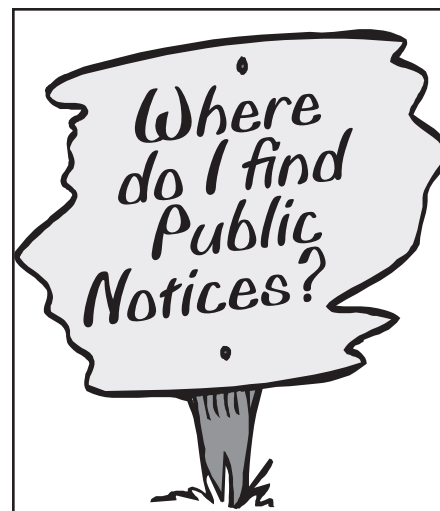
\$10,000.00. He further explained that he recently received a notice from Clean Harbors the company that does the event, saying that they will be raising prices on certain things; they weren't specific as to what materials yet. Chip Cochran asked if Clean Harbors is the only company that does this. Mr. Bennett stated that they are really the only ones in the New England area; they are from the Boston area and do everyone in New England. Selectman Krieger stated that within three years this needs to be looked at again in case there is extra money that taxpayers are paying for the stickers. Chairman Ives agreed and explained that this is a start and seemed the fairest way because the people that use the dump will be bringing the household hazard waste and will be buying the stickers. Selectman Bowles said it's easier to have the money in the account rather than raise and appropriate the money every other year. Barbara Sullivan asked if money was appropriated at the last town meeting for this and if so what happens to that money when this new program starts. Steve Bennett stated that the next event will be April of 2012 and that there is a start up fund for that. Selectman Bowles explained that at town meeting there was an article to raise and appropriate \$10,000.00 to get the initial start up and from then on the money will be raised from stickers. Chairman Ives asked if there was any further discussion, hearing none he took a vote. *All were in favor. Motion carries.* Chairman Ives closed the public hearing at 7:12 p.m.

Selectman Bowles moved to go in to an executive session at 7:13 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Krieger. Roll call vote: Krieger – yes; Bowles – yes; Ives – yes. All in favor. Motion carried. Present were Selectmen Ives, Bowles and Krieger. Selectman Krieger moved to come out of executive session at 7:24 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Bowles. Roll call vote: Krieger – yes; Bowles – yes; Ives – yes. Chairman Ives stated that the purpose of the executive session was to discuss two letters from two attorneys representing two town employees. These are two individual cases; both letters were received this week. Selectman Bowles made a motion to seal the minutes for five years, seconded by Selectman Krieger. Roll call vote: Krieger – yes; Bowles – yes; Ives – yes. All in favor. Motion carried.

Selectman Bowles moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Krieger. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned.

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- Web Site

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — October 4, 2011

Present: Selectmen Ives, Bowles, and Krieger

Also present: Road Agent Dave Rice.

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

Selectman Bowles moved to accept the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of September 27, 2011 as written; seconded by Selectman Krieger. All were in favor. Motion carries.

The Board met with Road Agent Dave Rice.

Mr. Rice said they have picked up new sander chains for a truck and new quick coupling for the sanders.

Mr. Rice said that if the weather holds Staniels Road will be paved this week.

Mr. Rice stated that they are continuing with work on Old Shaker Road.

Mr. Rice will be meeting with Mike LaBonte and Robbie at the beach on Thursday.

Mr. Rice said that on the rainy days they have been patching and fixing dump bodies. He stated that they will have to replace at least one possibly two. Selectmen Krieger asked if they will make it through this winter. Mr. Rice said that they will but will need to be replaced next year. Roy Merrill suggested that the next time they buy stainless steel bodies.

Mr. Rice said that they will be getting back to grading roads as soon as the weather breaks. He said that there are ditches across Currier Road from the rain that need to be fixed.

Mr. Rice submitted the Tropical Storm Irene FEMA package for the Selectmen to review. He explained that the information was gathered from time sheets and from the equipment list that were supplied by FEMA; he further explained that he has met with a FEMA representative and reviewed paperwork. Mr. Rice said that Jean Lee needed to review the benefit package numbers and then it would be complete. The Board agreed that Mr. Rice could sign and submit it.

Mr. Rice stated that they are done at the transfer station except for painting the poles.

Selectman Krieger thanked Mr. Rice for getting street signs up.

Chairman Ives said the electric bill was high at the Staniels Road field and they wondered if something was left plugged in. Mr. Rice said he doesn't have a key for that building. Chairman Ives said that Jean Lee will check with LYAA.

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

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received a nonpublic meeting form from the Town Attorney. The Board will keep one handy to refer to when they have executive sessions.

The Board reviewed a memo from Bonnie Theriault, Office Assistant concerning her conversation with Ms. Gerlano from DRA.

The Board received correspondence from Getman, Schulthess & Steere, Attorneys concerning a fatal motor vehicle accident.

The Board received a copy of the 2011 Merrimack County tax apportionment for Loudon.

The Board received a copy of a reimbursement check from the state for NHRS contributions for fiscal year 2012.

The Board received a public hearing notice for the update of the State's Ten Year Transportation Improvement Plan.

The Board received information about the Government Units Survey for the U.S. Census Bureau

The Board received a report from Public Service of NH about Tropical Storm Irene.

The Board reviewed miscellaneous correspondence.

Selectman Krieger moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:57 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Bowles. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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Planning Board Minutes — September 15, 2011

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

Attendance:

Tom Moore, Chairman Tom Dow, Vice Chairman Stan Prescott, Bob Cole, Alternates Bob Ordway and Jeff Green, Ex-Officio Dustin Bowles

Acceptance of Minutes:

August 18, 2011 Meeting — Stan Prescott moved to accept the minutes as written; seconded by Tom Moore. All were in favor.

Discussions:

Alvin Davis — bond reduction — Mr. Davis stated that he received a memo regarding the bank's non-renewal of his letter of credit from the Planning Office. He submitted a response to that memo and also a request to lower the amount of the bond. Chairman Dow informed Mr. Davis an updated construction estimate will be required, as will an inspection by the Town's engineer. The estimate should note any outstanding work and the estimated costs of completing that work. Mr. Davis explained that the letter of credit is due to expire on October 2, 2011. He asked if the Board would be willing to act upon this matter if alright with the figure agreed upon by The Louis Berger Group. The Board agreed that a phone/email poll could be taken upon receipt of figures and reports from the engineer in order to expedite the renewal of Mr. Davis's letter of credit.

Old Business:

None

New Business:

None

Board Discussion:

Master Plan — The Board discussed doing a survey to determine the residents' current concerns/needs for the Town of Loudon. Various options were suggested; they included doing a supplement in *The Loudon Ledger*, putting a link on the Town's website, having them available at the Town Office and Library, and doing a mailing. It was agreed that it would be important to have the public's input before doing any revisions. Chairman Dow suggested that each member review their assigned chapter and make notes of any recommended/necessary changes and/or questions. It was agreed that any goals that have been accomplished since the 2001 update should be highlighted in this revision. There was discussion about the complexity of the project and having CNHRPC assist the Board. Donna will check with CNHRPC to see if there is an electronic file available for her use. Further discussion covered using current US Census Bureau information, adding an Energy section to the Utilities

chapter, and Jeff Green covering the Recreational chapter to lessen Henry Huntington's assignment of two chapters. The Board was asked to come back next month with ideas on how to proceed.

Bike Path — CNHRPC contacted the office with regard to the Town's interest in working on a Regional Bicycle Plan. Donna was asked to put an article in the *Ledger*, seeking biking enthusiasts who might be interested in working on this project.

Report of the ZBA:

There is an application for a reduced side and front setback on the agenda for this month.

Report of the Board of Permit:

Stan Prescott reported that the following were covered at the meeting: 1) two hawker & peddler permits; one was for the Renegade Playground scheduled for October 8th and sponsored by the Loudon Recreation Committee; the other was for a silent auction to be held in the lobster tent at NHMS to benefit Speedway Children's Charities. 2) There was a request to change a permit for Michelle York, allowing her to operate her hot dog stand outside the dump. Mr. Prescott said that it was felt that it was not feasible with the amount of traffic at that location. 3) Miles Smith Farm event on October 9th from 10-4; 4,000 people are expected and there will be two shuttle buses operating.

Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn at 8:10 p.m. was made by Tom Moore; seconded by Bob Ordway. All were in favor.

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Zoning Board Minutes — September 22, 2011

Vice Chairman Ned Lizotte called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

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

Jim Venne was appointed to be a voting member in the absence of Dave Powelson.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Regular Hearing — *Howard Pearl made a motion to accept the minutes of August 25, 2011 as presented; seconded by George Saunderson. All were in favor.*

Site Visit — *Maratea* — *Howard Pearl made a motion to accept the minutes of the site visit on September 7, 2011 as presented; seconded by George Saunderson. All were in favor.*

DISCUSSION

Web Stout — *proposed recycling facility* — Mr. Stout, of FWS Land Surveying, stated that he is representing John Raymond who is interested in putting a recycling facility on property off Dump Road owned by David Moody. Mr. Raymond and Mr. Moody were present. Also present was Jeff Green of JL Green Enterprises who has done previous survey work on the Moody property.

Mr. Stout showed plans of where the proposed facility would be located on the parcel, noting that there are multiple lease areas on one big lot. He said the existing scale house would be revamped and the existing road would be used with a circular drive in this particular area. Mr. Stout pointed out that there are a couple of proposed covered areas and a larger area of outside storage. He noted that a special exception would be needed per Section 206.3 E of the Zoning Ordinance.

Board members asked questions regarding cement pads, onsite crusher, noise, traf-

fic, fluids disposal, and required State permits. Mr. Raymond explained an impervious surfaced area where all fluids would be removed from recycled items, where and how the fluids would be stored until removed by a professional company. He pointed out the area where white goods, iron, etc would be kept in an outside area. Mr. Raymond said there would not be a crusher onsite. He explained that the facility would service local electricians and plumbers, as well as residents, for the disposal of copper, machinery, white goods, cars, and other assorted metals. Mr. Raymond said he would be paying for metal but would not detract from the transfer station as anyone coming into his facility is now going elsewhere. He said this is not the typical household metal of tin cans, aluminum cans, etc. Mr. Raymond said his facility would target peddler scrap/small businesses and larger accounts such as Waste Management. The metal ends up at an out-of-state shredder. Mr. Raymond explained the entire process to the Board.

It was agreed by some Board members that they would like more information on what is required by the State for this type of facility. When individually polled, Board members were not opposed to hearing a formal application in order to get more information on the requirements from the State for this type of facility and how the application would meet zoning criteria for the proposed location off of Dump Road.

PUBLIC HEARING

Z11-07, Dianne D Maratea — *Special Exception for Reduced Side & Front Setback, Map 58, Lot 17, RR District, 20 Berry Road. There were no abutters present. Tony Merullo represented the applicant.*

Mr. Merullo went through the points of the application, noting that the request is for reduced front and side setbacks. Because of the lot size and configuration the proposed

shed location would provide a 7' front setback and a 23' side setback.

The hearing was closed to the public and opened to the Board only. There were no questions from the Board. *Roy Merrill made a motion to approve the application as presented; seconded by Howard Pearl. A roll vote was taken: Howard Pearl – yes; Roy Merrill – yes; Ned Lizotte – yes; George Saunderson – yes; Jim Venne – yes. Unanimous – APPROVED.*

BOARD DISCUSSION

Building permit extension — *Shawn Lavoie* — A request was received from Mr. Lavoie to renew his expired building permit #08-024. The permit was extended in November 2008 for one year. Mr. Lavoie has begun construction of the home, thinking that the permit was still valid. This was brought to the Building Department's atten-

tion when Mr. Lavoie called for an inspection. There was brief discussion about multiple extensions being given on a permit and extensions on expired permits. It was agreed that this was a misunderstanding. *Jim Venne made a motion to renew building permit #08-024 for one year; seconded by Roy Merrill. A roll vote was taken: Jim Venne – yes; George Saunderson – yes; Ned Lizotte – yes; Roy Merrill – yes; Howard Pearl – yes. Unanimous – APPROVED.*

ADJOURNMENT

Jon Huntington made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m.; seconded by George Saunderson. All were in favor.

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| 6 12–3•Art Show @ Maxfield Public Library 5&6pm•Loudon's Farm Feast @ LES | 7 10–12•Flu Clinic @ Richard Brown House 6:30pm•Happy Hill 4H @ Legion | 8 10am•Young at Heart @ Com. Bldg. 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 6:30pm•Selectmen's Meeting/Board of Permit @ Com. Bldg. | 9 2pm•Storytime @ Library 2–4pm•Open Workshop for Artists @ Library/\$10 6pm•Conservation Com. @ Com. Bldg. 6:30pm•Girl Scout Volunteers @ LES 6:30pm•Cub Scout Den Leaders @ Library 7pm•Sit 'n Stitch @ Library | 10 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 6:30pm•Boy Scout Troop 247 @ Legion 7pm•Boy Scout Venturing Crew 247 @ Legion | 11 VETERAN'S DAY  | 12 |
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