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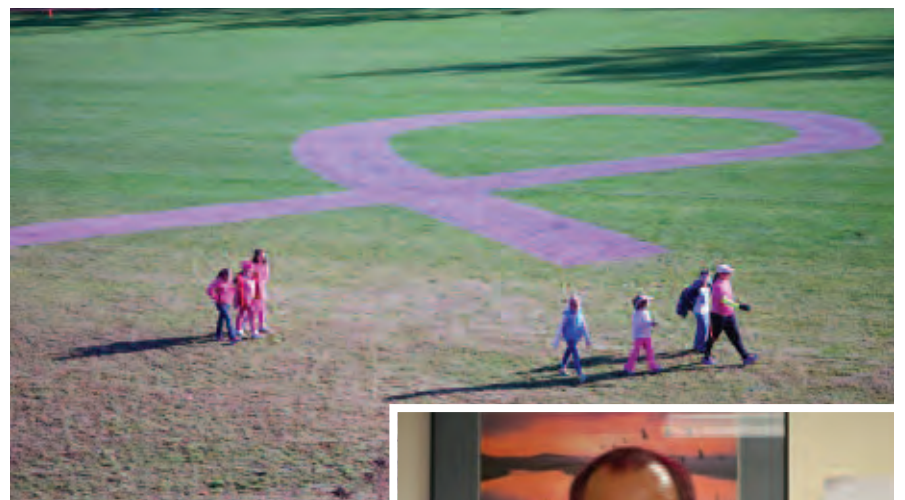
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## Elementary School In The Pink For A Good Cause — Cancer Awareness

The students at Loudon Elementary School took part in a pair of events the week of October 21st as part of Breast Cancer Awareness Month. They were challenged by physical education teacher Sue Staples to raise \$300 in spare change as part of the *Coins for A Cure* campaign. As an incentive, Principal Tom Laliberte pledged that he would dye his hair pink on October 25 if they reached their goal. Well, the kids rose to that challenge and then some by bringing in over \$413! Mr. Laliberte made good on his promise and sported hot pink hair — and a hot pink t-shirt, and even a pink tie — for the day.

With the help of MV school maintenance volunteers and a donation of paint from Aubuchon Hardware in Concord, a giant pink ribbon was painted on the LES soccer field. The students, many wearing pink t-shirts and ribbons, ended the week with a half-hour Relay for Life around the field. Ms. Staples expressed her pride in the kids at LES, saying that they really pulled together in a true showing of community and caring. It was inspiring to see these kids, some of whom have loved ones who are dealing with breast cancer, participate in and support others in these events. Way to go, LES! ■



Jenn Pfeifer decorated the gazebo at the Recreation Field in preparation for the Relay for Life Walk. She and friends and family wrapped the gazebo in pink in honor of October being Breast Cancer Awareness month.

Top: Loudon Elementary School Principal promised to dye his hair pink if the students met teacher Sue Staples challenge to raise \$300 in spare change as part of the "Coins for a Cure" campaign. Obviously they met the challenge! Principal Laliberte is shown here with four first-graders. Center: Elementary school students join physical education teacher Stue Staples as she walked in the Relay for Life. Bottom: Principal Tom Laliberte poses with his newly-pink hair.



## Mission Statement...

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



**Town of Loudon Office Hours  
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*Selectmen meet Tuesday evenings at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Building.*  
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**Code Enforcement**

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PO Box 7032 • 798-5612 • [chief@loudonfire.com](mailto:chief@loudonfire.com)  
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Thurs.: 10 a.m.–9 p.m. • Sat.: 9 a.m.–1 p.m.  
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**Loudon Food Pantry**

30 Chichester Road, Unit D, Loudon  
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For more information, call Sue or Sarah at 724-9731 or email [LoudonFoodPantry@yahoo.com](mailto:LoudonFoodPantry@yahoo.com)

**Loudon Representatives**

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**Howard M. Moffett:** 66 Cogswell Rd., Canterbury, NH 03224-2011  
**Merrimack County — District 26**  
**Lorrie J. Carey:** 151 King St., Boscawen, NH 03303-2107  
**Senators — District 17**  
**John Reagan:** 53 Mt. Delight Rd., Deerfield, NH 0303-1304

**Loudon Ledger Submission Policy**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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July 2013 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 6/14 Council Meeting: Tues. 6/18

August 2013 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 7/19 Council Meeting: Tues. 7/23

September 2013 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 8/16 Council Meeting: Tues. 8/20

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# Where to Worship in Loudon

## Family Bible Church

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

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

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

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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



## Faith Community Bible Church

Evangelical Free Church of America

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

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

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

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

*Youth Group:* Sunday 6:00 p.m.

*Bible Study:* Thurs. 9:30 a.m. (3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month, meets at noon)  
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103 Chichester Road, Loudon, NH 03307 • 798-3818 • www.landmarkbaptistchurch.info

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

*Sunday Evening Worship:* 6 p.m.

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

*Please visit our website for more information!*



## Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church

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

433 Clough Hill Road. Mailing address: P.O. Box 7852, Loudon, NH 03307  
*Member of the American Baptist Churches of VT/NH (Lakes Area Association)*  
*Sunday Worship:* 9:00 a.m.



## Loudon Congregational Church

*Rev. Dick Carter, Interim Minister*

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

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

*Wednesday Evenings:* Bible Study

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



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*Senior Pastor Rev. Joshua T. Johnson*

*Youth Pastor Brian Bollinger*

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

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

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

*Children Church* (Grades 1–4) Second & Fourth Sundays

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

*Wednesdays: Youth Group* (Grades 7–12). 6:15–8:15 p.m.

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

*Kids Time* (Grades 1–6). 7–8 p.m.

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

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



To have your Church’s information added to this column,  
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# Loudon Church News

## Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church

**Caregiver’s Support Group** meets on the second and fourth Mondays of each month at 6 p.m. Anyone that cares for a sick and/or elderly person is welcome to join us. For more information please contact Rev. Linda Overall at 603.875.5822

**Packing party for Operation Christmas Child.** Join us on Saturday, November 16 starting at 6 p.m. for dinner and packing presents along with a short video on “Hope.” Operation Christmas child is a ministry of Samaritan’s Purse. For anybody that wants to join us, you pick a boy or girl from the following age groups: 2–4, 5–9, 10–14. You can even bring multiple items for multiple ages. Suggestions for gifts include small dolls, small toy trucks/cars, small stuffed animals, kazoo’s, harmonicas, yo-yos, jump ropes, small balls, toys that light up and make noise (with extra batteries), etc. School supplies likes pens, pencils, erasers, pencil sharpeners, crayons, markers, stamps and ink pad sets, writing pads, paper, solar calculators, coloring books, story books. Toothbrush/paste/floss, mild bar soap, combs, brushes, washcloths, hair bows/clips, hair ribbons, elastics, headbands, t-shirts, socks, sandals, ball caps, sunglasses, toy jewelry, watches, flashlights (with extra batteries). lollipops, non melting candy. You may also place a letter/note and picture in with your shoe box gifts. Please do not include war-related items, chocolate, food, medications, breakable items, no liquids or lotions. For more information please call Stephanie at 603.568.5080 or email [gagne7@live.com](mailto:gagne7@live.com). Our church has set a goal of at least 25 boxes. Please help us meet and hopefully even exceed that goal. The church will be providing the boxes and paying for the shipping and tracking them to see what country the boxes go to. Join us with your friends for this exciting event!

**Alzheimer’s Presentation on Monday, November 18 at 6:30 p.m.** Join us for this FREE public presentation on Alzheimer’s Disease. Learn the signs/symptoms and the resources that are available. The speaker will be from Visiting Angels Home Care Agency. A freewill offering will be collected for the speaker. Please feel free to bring a donation for the Loudon Food Pantry. For more information please contact Rev. Overall at 603.875.5822 or Jean Fiske at 603.300.6616

Watch for more information next month on dates for more FREE public presentations on Drug/Alcohol Abuse, Domestic Violence and Human Trafficking right here in NH. Please let us know if there are any topics of interest that you would like to have presented.

For those looking for a church home please feel free to join us on Sunday mornings at 9 a.m., we would love to have you join us as we grow in Christ. Have questions about the church or just want to speak to the pastor, call Rev. Overall at 603.875.5822. ■

# The Family Bible Church

**Come and enjoy dinner on us!**  
**Saturday, November 9, 2013**  
**Serving dinner 4:30–6:30 p.m.**

*Community Fellowship Kitchen*

*676 Loudon Ridge Road, Loudon, NH 03307*

Bring your friends • Bring your family

**ALL ARE WELCOME**

**OUR MENU CHANGES EVERY MONTH  
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## Loudon Police Department News

By Robert N. Fiske, Chief of Police

### 13th Annual Blood Drive

The Loudon Police Department will be sponsoring our 13th Annual American Red Cross Blood Drive on Tuesday, November 26, 2013. The event will be held at the Arthur Colby Safety Building at 8 Cooper Street from 2:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m. If you are interested in donating a baked good or crock pot (chili, stews, etc.) or volunteering some time, please contact Janice Morin at 798-5521 or via e-mail at [jmorin@loudonpolice.com](mailto:jmorin@loudonpolice.com). Let's make this a record breaking year!

### The Holidays Are Approaching Quickly!

As the holidays fast approach, I remind you to please use common sense while attending family gatherings and office parties. PLEASE: If you intend to drink, please plan on a designated driver. It may save your or somebody else's life! Also, in inclement weather, plan extra time in your travels. Allow yourself not only extra time but extra space between vehicles. PLEASE WEAR YOUR SEATBELTS!

### New Child Restraint Law

Effective January 1, 2014, there will be a change to New Hampshire's Child Occupant Protection Law, RSA 265:107-a, to require all children up to age seven or 57 inches tall (whichever is reached first) to be secured in an appropriate child restraint while traveling in a motor vehicle.

*From everyone at the Loudon Police Department, have a safe and happy Thanksgiving! ■*

## New Addition to the York Family



Welcome to the world! Introducing Juliet Louise York, daughter of Daniel and Jennifer York. She arrived on October 1 and is the eighth grandchild of Dan and Michele York. She is the little sister of Aurora, Aiden, Rebecca, and Prudence. ■

## Inspired to Give Back, the Red Blazer Joins Anticancer Lifestyle Restaurant Program

The Red Blazer Restaurant and Pub is proud to offer Anticancer-inspired meals to raise money to support Concord Hospital Payson Center for Cancer Care's anticancer Lifestyle Program. The restaurant will offer delicious, plant-based menu items brimming with food high in cancer-fighting ingredients. Evidence exists that a healthy diet, adequate physical activity, lowered exposure to toxins, social support, and stress management all help to maximize the body's natural defenses against cancer.

A portion of proceeds of the sale of menu items will support the Anticancer Lifestyle Program, designed by staff and faculty of the Payson Center for Cancer Care. This innovative, 12-week program for people diagnosed with cancer, seeks to help patients self-manage their cancer in a supportive group environment. One primary goal of the program is to encourage cancer patients to be proactive participants in their own well-being and to restore a sense of control while living with this disease.

"As many of you know this cause is near and dear to our hearts as our Red Blazer family has been tragically impacted directly like so many others who have lost loved ones to the ravages of cancer," says Sarandis Karathanasis, co-owner of the Red Blazer Restaurant and Pub. "While looking for a cure remains a top priority and well publicized, the truth is behavior modification to promote prevention only makes logical sense, along with plenty of supporting evidence that points to the overwhelming benefits of living a healthy and balanced lifestyle. We are proud to be involved and support a cause to promote awareness of healthy eating and healthy lifestyle, something each of us can have a direct benefit from and make a larger impact on the cancer fight."

Other participating restaurants include: O Steaks and Seafood, Angelina's Ristorante Italiano, Café Indigo, Country Spirit Restaurant, The Soup Gallery and The Granite Restaurant. For more information on the Anticancer Lifestyle Program or to learn how you can make a difference in a cancer survivor's life, visit [anticancerlifestyle.org](http://anticancerlifestyle.org) or [ch-trust.org](http://ch-trust.org). ■

## Loudon Recreation Committee News



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

### Zumba

The next session of Zumba is starting. Zumba is officially described as an exhilarating, effective, easy-to-follow, Latin-inspired, calorie-burning dance fitness party! Most of all it is FUN. The six-week session runs on Monday nights on November 4, 18, 25, and December 2, 9, and 16. Zumba is from 7:00–8:00 p.m. at the Loudon Elementary School gymnasium. The cost is \$42 for the six week session. Registration is at the first class. Please make checks payable to Loudon Recreation and if you have any questions email Jen at [cjmercerc@myfairpoint.net](mailto:cjmercerc@myfairpoint.net).

### Youth Basketball

Attention all boys and girls who like basketball and want to keep practicing to get ready for the season.... We are offering another 5 weeks of pick-up basketball sessions for boys and girls in grades 5 through 8. The sessions will be two nights a week on Tuesday & Thursdays from 6:30-8:00 pm. Sessions will be at Loudon Elementary School. Cost for the 5 weeks (10 sessions) will be \$25 for Loudon residents, \$30 for

non-residents. For more information please contact Laurie at 798-4042, look for a flyer with all the details at the website [www.loudonnh.org](http://www.loudonnh.org) or look for info on our Loudon Recreation Facebook page.

### We Need Your Help With Recreation!!!

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

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

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Loudon, NH

# Annual Loudon Fire Department Harvest Supper A Delicious Success

The Loudon Fire Department Harvest Supper was held on October 19. Over 400 people attended this popular annual event, an increase over last year's total. Over 60 Volunteers from the Fire Department and Community worked together to make this year's supper a great success! Thank you to everyone involved. See you next year.

**It takes a lot of work by a lot of volunteers to serve up the delicious Harvest Supper each year.**

**Top: Some of the kitchen crew.**

**Below: All the delicious vegetables needs to be prepared the night before. There's a lot of peeling going on!**



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## CUB SCOUT PACK 247 NEWS

By Lee Laughlin

Wow! October was a busy month for the Cub Scouts! The boys continued their popcorn sales, contacting friends and family and staffing Show and Sell tables across Loudon and Concord. Thank you to everyone who has purchased popcorn. Still need your caramel corn fix? Forgot to order your Unbelievable Butter? We can hook you up! Contact Juliana Brien at [Towheadmama@comcast.net](mailto:Towheadmama@comcast.net) for more popcorn.

Our October Pack meeting was a Halloween party! The boys and their siblings dressed up in their costumes and enjoyed snacks, crafts, and games. The dens com-

peted to see who could make their den leader most look like a mummy. Congratulations to the Web 1 den for completely transforming Mr. Sedgley from den leader to mummy!

On Saturday, November 2nd, you should have received a flier announcing the Cub Scouts annual Scouting For Food Drive. The boys will be back Saturday November 9th to collect non-perishable food items. Please have your donations available early in the day and thank you for supporting our efforts.

The Cub Scouts are always looking for more boys to join the fun. We can also always use more volunteers. If you are interested in participating, please contact Josh Brien [jbprop@aol.com](mailto:jbprop@aol.com) or 496-8532. ■

### The Cub Scouts and their siblings had a great time at their Halloween Party.





## Residents Support Local Farmers and Businesses



Emily Legro, 6, of Pembroke (left) and Chrissy Lommen, 4, of Loudon, had a great visit with Charlotte the pig at the Sixth Annual Miles Smith Farm Day on October 13.



Jenn Pfeifer of Loudon is joined by her son, Alex, at the recent Miles Smith Farm Day. With them is one of the residents of the farm, a Scottish Highlander.

## Bank of New Hampshire Launches Its Fourth Annual Feeding New Hampshire Food Drive

The holiday season is growing near and local food pantry shelves are in need. Each of Bank of New Hampshire's 21 Banking Offices will be accepting non-perishable food items as well as monetary donations from October 10 through November 15 and all donations will benefit local food pantries throughout the state.

"Being an outstanding corporate citizen is very important to Bank of New Hampshire," stated Vickie Routhier, SVP – Director of Marketing & Public Relations for Bank of New Hampshire. "Repeating our annual food drive will help support food pantries across New Hampshire. Between our employee's contributions and the community's support, we hope to make a difference."

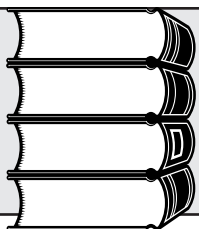
Bank of New Hampshire, founded in 1831, provides deposit, lending and wealth management products and services to families and businesses throughout New Hampshire. With 21 banking offices throughout New Hampshire and assets exceeding \$1 billion, Bank of New Hampshire is the oldest and largest independent bank in the state. Bank of New Hampshire is a mutual organization, focused on the success of the bank's customers, communities and employees, rather than stockholders. For more information, call 1-800-832-0912 or visit [www.BankNH.com](http://www.BankNH.com).

Photo below (L-R): Volunteers Frank, Donna, Nona, Ted, Jim, Phyllis, Michael and Brianna from Plymouth Area Community Closet.



**December Loudon Ledger Deadline:  
Friday, November 15**





## Maxfield Public Library News

### Apple Picking

Story timers had beautiful weather for their annual field trips to **Meadow Ledge Farm**. At the orchard the children learned all about apples and honey bees. We would like to thank Louie, Lenny, and **Meadow Ledge Farm**, for another great apple picking experience!

### Book Groups

#### Fiction/Nonfiction Group

Life in turn of the century New York City was a swirl of social changes and challenges with a wide mix of immigrants, reformers, politicians, and artists coloring the urban landscape. E.L. Doctorow's *Ragtime* captures the essence of the times. Join book group on November 21, at 7 p.m., to discuss this novel. Newcomers are welcome.

#### Classic Book Group

In the days of Puritan rule, Nathaniel Hawthorne's Hester Prynne steps out of the old Salem prison clutching her infant daughter. As the townspeople greet her with scorn, hate, and suspicion, the reader wonders how she will survive being ostracized from the community with a scarlet "A" emblazoned on the bodice of her dress. Exploring the dangers of a world where church and state are one, book group will discuss *The Scarlet Letter* on November 19, at 2:30 p.m. A session of creative writing sharing will follow the discussion.

### Story Time

Story time will start off the month of November with the children creating a Q-tip painting of fall foliage. Join us November 5, 6, and 7 as we read In November by Cynthia Rylant and Lois Ehlert's *Red Leaf, Yellow Leaf*.

Continuing with the foliage theme, the topic for November 12, 13, and 14, will be trees. *Listen to In a Tree* by David M. Schwartz and *Mighty Tree* by Dick Gackenbach. The craft to follow will be a colorful acorn to hang on your window.

As we think about families, pies and turkey dinners, the children will hear all about *Clifford's Thanksgiving Visit* and *The Perfect Thanksgiving* by Norman Bridwell and Eileen Spinelli. In the time to follow, participants will create a colorful turkey to decorate their holiday table.

There will be no story time Thanksgiving week, but you are invited to join us for a movie on Tuesday, November 26th, at 10:30 a.m. The library will provide free popcorn and juice.



### New Books

#### Fiction

Baker, Jo  
Donaldson, Stephen R.  
Fielding, Helen  
Gilbert, Elizabeth  
Koslow, Sally  
Rice, Anne  
Robb, J. D.  
Sandford, John  
Tolkien, Simon  
Turov, Scott

*Longbourn*  
*The Last Dark*  
*Bridget Jones: Mad about the Boy*  
*The Signature of All Things*  
*The Widow Waltz*  
*The Wolves of Midwinter*  
*Thankless in Death*  
*Storm Front*  
*Orders from Berlin*  
*Identical*





**Nonfiction**

Barnes, Julian  
Dawkins, Richard  
Gladwell, Malcolm

Hastings, Max  
La Puma, John  
Scott, James

Winchester, Simon  
Yousafzai, Malala

*Levels of Life*  
*An Appetite for Wonder: The Making of a Scientist*  
*David and Goliath: Underdogs, Misfits, and the Art of Battling Giants*  
*Catastrophe 1914: Europe Goes to War*  
*Chef MD's Big Book of Culinary Medicine*  
*The War Below: The Story of Three Submarines That Battled Japan*  
*The Men Who United the States*  
*I Am Malala*

**New DVDs**

*The Croods, The Hangover: Part III, Iron Man 3, Frozen Ground, The Little Mermaid, Notorious, Sweet Bird of Youth, To Catch a Thief, The Untouchables, West of Memphis*

**Book Sale**

Thanks to many generous donations, November's book sale is loaded with book treasures from which to choose your favorites. The sale runs from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, November 23.

**Holiday Hours**

The library's hours will be 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Wednesday, November 27th. The library will be closed for Thanksgiving, Thursday, November 28th.

**Library Hours**

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



## Bobcat Counters Needed For Trail-Camera Study

The New Hampshire Fish and Game Department and the University of New Hampshire are looking for volunteer "citizen scientists" to participate in a trail-camera count of bobcats in three specific study areas in southern New Hampshire. Volunteers must provide their own trail camera (preferably no more than 3–5 years old) and be willing to monitor for bobcats, following a set protocol, in a designated area over a 14-day period. Training will be provided.

"Over the past two decades, sightings of bobcats in New Hampshire have increased and so have questions regarding the status of this species," said Pat Tate, Fish and Game's furbearer biologist. "Without a good method to index their numbers, it is difficult to determine just how many bobcats are roaming the state."

Individuals familiar with New Hampshire's Wildlife Management Units will recognize the three study areas as WMUs H2 (south), I2, and M — more generally, the areas surrounding the towns of Bradford, Swanzey and Deering, N.H. A detailed map of the study area can be found at <http://mlitvaitis.unh.edu/Research/BobcatWeb/counting.htm>.

This new research effort constitutes the continuation of a multi-year bobcat study being conducted by the University of New Hampshire (UNH) and the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department. Development of a cost-effective method to reliably monitor New Hampshire's bobcat population would help provide Fish and Game with valuable information on the status and distribution of this species in the state, according to Tate.

The trail-camera study is an effort to develop an efficient and effective means to index the relative regional abundance of this elusive species by enlisting the help of New Hampshire's enthusiastic core of outdoor volunteers, armed with the observation power of trail cameras. Camera sampling periods begin around October 15 of this year and run through December.

If you are interested in helping count bobcats and are willing to volunteer your outdoor knowledge, trail camera and time, please contact Tyler Mahard at [UNHbobcat@gmail.com](mailto:UNHbobcat@gmail.com).

To learn more, visit the UNH website "Understanding Bobcats in the Granite State" (<http://mlitvaitis.unh.edu/Research/BobcatWeb/counting.htm>) and click on "Counting Bobcats."

If you do not own a trail camera, you can still assist the study effort by reporting incidental observations of bobcats; visit <http://mlitvaitis.unh.edu/Research/BobcatWeb/sightings.htm>.

"Thanks in advance for your interest in this amazing animal," said Tate.

Wildlife research and management in New Hampshire are funded in large part through the federal Wildlife Restoration program, supported by an excise tax on firearms, ammunition and archery supplies. ■



### Maxfield Public Library Passes!

Passes are available to museums and points of interest around the state for Library borrowers! We suggest reserving in advance either by phone (798-5153) or in person. Call for details.

#### CANTERBURY SHAKER VILLAGE

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

#### CHILDREN'S MUSEUM OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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

#### CURRIER MUSEUM OF ART

Each pass entitles the bearer to 2 free admissions.

#### McAULIFFE-SHEPARD DISCOVERY CENTER

Valid for admission to exhibit halls for 4 people.

#### MOUNT KEARSARGE INDIAN MUSEUM

Free admissions for 2 guests per day.

#### MUSEUM OF NEW HAMPSHIRE HISTORY

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

#### SQUAM LAKES NATURAL SCIENCE CENTER

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

#### WRIGHT MUSEUM

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





## Between the Covers

By Kate Dockham

### Realistic Fiction

Ever since Harry Potter darkened our doorstep, it seems as if fantasy has become the genre of choice. And why not? Good over evil, magical creatures, fantastical lands, underdog heroes. Fantasy seems to have it all and it can really spark the imagination in the head of the reader. But there are those pragmatists among us who just can't fathom flying dragons and oversized spiders. Even in our children we find these practical people who want a little normalcy in what they read. It may seem difficult these days, but there is great realistic fiction out there for this group of tween and teen readers.



A go-to book on my classroom shelves for a girl that is uninterested in magic, fairies and flying dragons is *Click Here* by Denise Vega. This volume along with its sequel, *Access Denied*, chronicles the life of Erin Swift through seventh and eighth grade. *Click Here* opens with the beginning of middle school for Erin. Things are changing for her and her best friend, Jilly. They have no classes together for the first time ever and the boy Erin secretly likes is infatuated with Jilly. What could be worse! Erin joins the school's Intranet Club where everyone is impressed with her computer skills and she gets a lead role in designing the school's website. Then her personal and, until now, private computer diary is leaked to the whole school. Drama and dilemmas ensue and Erin grows with the challenges she faces. *Access Denied* picks up Erin's story in eighth grade, where

she is ready to start fresh. Vega's ability to capture and convey an adolescent's roller coaster emotion and multiple challenges brings a true reality to her writing. Erin, like many middle schoolers, is a good kid in some awkward situations.

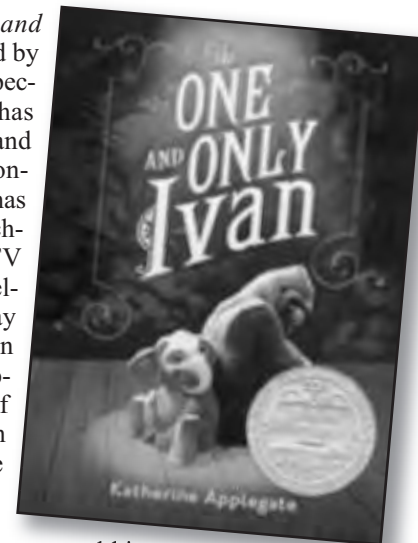
Sally Warner has the same ability to capture the tweenagers point of view in *It's Only Temporary*. 12-year old Skye is sent to live with her grandmother in California while her older brother Scott rehabilitates from a serious car accident back home in Albuquerque. Reminding herself that the move is only temporary, Skye decides to remain invisible to those around her. Chronicling her experiences and emotions in her sketchbook/journal, Skye relies on her art as an outlet for her frustration and feelings of helplessness. Life in Albuquerque gets better when Skye makes friends with other art students and emails between herself and her brother gives Skye a connection to home. When some of the football students start to bully the art students, Skye's idea for revenge creates whole new problems in her life. Skye's story is told through third person narrative accompanied by drawings, thoughts and lists from Skye's sketchbook.



*Small as an Elephant* by Jennifer Richard Jacobson starts in Acadia National Park and ends in Boston. Part of the intrigue of this book for me was recognizing the places the main character Jack travels through. Eleven year old Jack and his mother are camping in Acadia, when Jack wakes up one morning and his Mom is gone. This is not totally out of the norm for Jack, as his mother is unpredictable and often spins out of control. After a couple of days of hiding the fact that he is alone, Jack realizes in order to protect his Mom, he must get home on his own before the Dept. of Social Services finds out what has happened. With little money in his pocket and a toy elephant to keep him company, Jack starts the journey back to Jamaica Plains. This is a gentle book that challenges one's thoughts about mental illness, loyalty and trust. While the book might have some big themes and heart wrenching moments it is eloquently written, showing the resiliency and belief of youth.



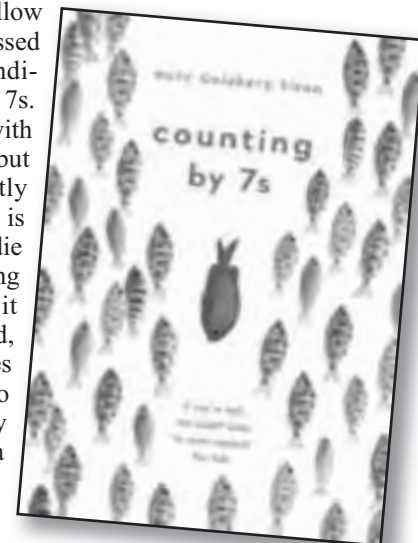
Another intriguing book is *The One and Only Ivan* by Katherine Applegate. Inspired by a true story, this story is told from the perspective of Ivan, a silverback gorilla. Ivan has been living at the Exit 8 Big Top Mall and Video Arcade in a small "domain" of concrete, metal, and glass for 27 years. Ivan has grown accustomed to his life; humans watching him through the glass, watching TV shows and his friends. Joining Ivan are Stella, an aging elephant, and Bob, a feisty stray dog. The other animals perform and Ivan makes art, often thinking about how to capture the taste of mango or the sound of leaves. Then the owners bring in Ruby, an inquisitive baby elephant to help increase ticket sales. Ruby was taken from her family and the wild, a place Ivan never thinks of anymore. Ruby makes Ivan see their home—and his own art—through new eyes. When Ruby arrives, change comes with her, and it's up to Ivan to make it a change for the better. He seizes the opportunity as his friend Stella lay dying from neglect. Stella's dying wish is for Ivan to help Ruby escape. Although Ivan's role in the events leading to their rescue reads as too human, readers will be left rethinking our relationship to animals.



On a lighter note, while still tackling tough ideas, is *Me & Jack*. In this book Joshua Reed is used to moving around since his dad became an Army recruiter and the Vietnam War broke out. But their newest home, in the mountains of Pennsylvania, feels special somehow. Josh has started to make a new friend and his dad has finally allowed him to get a dog, Jack. Jack seems to understand Josh's feelings and the connection between them is unmistakable. But in Vietnam-era America, conflict is never far away, even on the homefront. When a local boy is killed overseas, the town turns on the new Army recruiter. Soon after that, a few late-night disturbances occur, all pointing to Jack as the perpetrator. Josh knows his dog would never do as he is accused. It is up to Josh to fight for his dog, his family, and his new home.



I recently finished reading *Counting by Sevens* by Holly Goldberg Sloan. This book is in the same tradition of *Wonder* and *Out of My Mind*, both of which I have written about in previous articles. I have recommended *Counting by Sevens* so many times I have lost track of who has my copy. In this book Willow Chance is a twelve-year-old genius, obsessed with nature and diagnosing medical conditions, who finds it comforting to count by 7s. It has never been easy for her to connect with anyone other than her adoptive parents, but that hasn't kept her from leading a quietly happy life. Then, suddenly Willow's world is tragically changed when her parents both die in a car crash, leaving her alone in a baffling world. The triumph of this book is that it is not a tragedy. This extraordinarily odd, but extraordinarily endearing, girl manages to push through her grief. Her journey to find a fascinatingly diverse and fully believable surrogate family is a joy and a revelation to read.



I feel like I could keep going. I didn't even mention three of my favorite realistic fiction writers for kids: James Patterson, Will Hobbs, and Andrew Clements. I have mentioned them before in previous articles and they are authors to keep on your list when looking for quality children's books. A great idea for any reader of any genre is to have a few fallback authors in your mind. That way you always have something to rely on when looking for a new read. Until next time.....keep turning those pages. ■



# Recycling, Reducing, and Reusing During the Holidays (and all the other days during the year)

LeeAnn Childress, Loudon Transfer Station and Recycling Committee

During the holidays, we create more throw away waste than any other time of the year; up to 25% more trash during the Thanksgiving to New Year's holiday season. That extra garbage amounts to 25 million tons of trash in the US!

Consider changing your habits. Give some serious thought to how you approach recycling. It's easy once you start. You can reuse wrapping paper (this cannot be recycled at Loudon's Transfer Station) and recycle gift boxes, ribbon, cards, junk mail, magazines, catalogs, plastic, glass and aluminum beverage containers, and so much more.

- **Ribbon:** If every family in the U.S. reused just 2 feet of holiday ribbon, the 38,000 miles of ribbon saved could tie a bow around the entire planet.
- **Cards:** The 2.65 billion Christmas cards we send could fill a football field 10 stories high. If we each sent one card less, we'd save 50,000 cubic yards of paper. Or send your holiday greetings in electronic form. E-cards are easy and fun to do and create no waste. Or if you feel you have to send holiday cards, buy recycled-content cards and envelopes. Better yet, make your own cards (and gift tags) using your cards from last Christmas.
- **Gift Wrap:** Use earth friendly options such as: Scarves, handkerchiefs, and bandanas, old posters and maps, newspapers, reusable decorative bags, a present in a present (i.e., cookies in a reusable tin). If you are going to use wrapping paper, at least use paper that has been recycled and definitely do not use foil or metallic paper.
- **Annoying Catalogs:** Remove your name from the mailing list of any catalog you no longer wish to receive — either contact the company directly or visit the several online sites that offer to help you get your name removed from these mailings. Some are free, others are not. Do your research and determine a source you are comfortable using.
- **Christmas Tree:** The Loudon Transfer Station will be happy to take your real Christmas tree. You must first remove all tinsel, ornaments, lights, etc....bring it to the station and they will put it on the burn pile.

Want to challenge yourself to take your recycling habits to the next level? Consider the following:

- **Preparing a holiday meal?** Look for items in recyclable packaging. Purchase non-packaged fresh produce. Shop at the local winter farmer's markets.
- **Compost** your fruit and vegetable trimmings, egg shells, coffee grounds and tea bags.
- **Get Real** — use your grandmother's china, stoneware, silverware, glass goblets, etc... avoid using paper plates and plastic flatware, etc. Use real cloth napkins (so easy to wash, dry and reuse) instead of paper napkins.
- **Donate those unused toys and gadgets:** Make room for Santa's gifts — donate outgrown toys, clothes, etc...to charitable groups like Goodwill Industries, The Salvation Army, or the recycling container at the Loudon transfer station (for clothing only)

And most importantly, take time to appreciate what you have, learn to live with in your means, and love and appreciate your family and friends. Send your questions and recycling ideas to the recycling committee at [loudonrecycles@comcast.net](mailto:loudonrecycles@comcast.net). Together we can make a difference. ■



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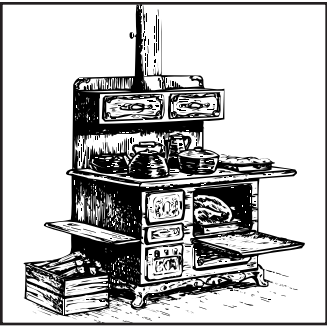
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# What’s Cookin’!

## This month: Pies

Jenn Pfeifer

The holiday season is fast approaching and I don’t think there is a better way to end a meal than to eat pie. I don’t think I’ve ever met a pie I didn’t like. While watching Food Network, I to happened to catch an episode of “The Best Thing I ever Ate” — PIES!!! YUMMY!!! Here are some great recipes to add to your collections.

### CRACK PIE — By Christina Tosi

*In New York there is a bakery called Momofuku Milk Bar and they are famous for some of the most amazing pies on the planet. It is said that “Once you start eating this rich, salty-sweet pie with its oat cookie crust, you won’t be able to stop.”*

#### Oat Cookie Crust

- Nonstick vegetable oil spray
- 9 tablespoons (1 stick plus 1 tablespoon) unsalted butter, room temperature, divided
- 5½ tablespoons (packed) golden brown sugar, divided
- 2 tablespoons sugar
- 1 large egg
- ¾ cup plus 2 tablespoons old-fashioned oats
- ½ cup all purpose flour
- ⅛ teaspoon baking powder
- ⅛ teaspoon baking soda
- ¼ teaspoon (generous) salt

#### Filling

- ¾ cup sugar
- ½ cup (packed) golden brown sugar
- 1 tablespoon nonfat dry milk powder
- ¼ teaspoon salt
- ½ cup (1 stick) unsalted butter, melted, cooled slightly
- 6½ tablespoons heavy whipping cream
- 4 large egg yolks
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- Powdered sugar (for dusting)

#### Oat Cookie Crust

Preheat oven to 350°F. Line 13x9x2-inch metal baking pan with parchment paper; coat with nonstick spray. Combine 6 tablespoons butter, 4 tablespoons brown sugar, and 2 tablespoons sugar in medium bowl. Using electric mixer, beat mixture until light and fluffy, occasionally scraping down sides of bowl, about 2 minutes. Add egg; beat until pale and fluffy. Add oats, flour, baking powder, baking soda, and salt and beat until well blended, about 1 minute. Turn oat mixture out onto prepared baking pan; press out evenly to edges of pan. Bake until light golden on top, 17 to 18 minutes. Transfer baking pan to rack and cool cookie completely. Using hands, crumble oat cookie into large bowl; add 3 tablespoons butter and 1½ tablespoons brown sugar. Rub in with fingertips until mixture is moist enough to stick together. Transfer cookie crust mixture to 9-inch-diameter glass pie dish. Using fingers, press mixture evenly onto bottom and up sides of pie dish. Place pie dish with crust on rimmed baking sheet.

#### Filling

Position rack in center of oven and preheat to 350°F. Whisk both sugars, milk powder, and salt in medium bowl to blend. Add melted butter and whisk until blended. Add cream, then egg yolks and vanilla and whisk until well blended. Pour filling into crust. Bake pie 30 minutes (filling may begin to bubble). Reduce oven temperature to 325°F. Continue to bake pie until filling is brown in spots and set around edges but center still moves slightly when pie dish is gently shaken, about 20 minutes longer. Cool pie 2 hours in pie dish on rack. Chill uncovered overnight. DO AHEAD: Can be made 2 days ahead. Cover; keep chilled. Sift powdered sugar lightly over top of pie. Cut pie into wedges and serve cold.

### BANANA TOFFEE CREAM PIE — By Lisa Champagne

*This recipe is so easy and so delicious! Try making it with a graham cracker crust, you won’t be sorry!*

- 1 15 oz. package Pillsbury all ready pie crusts
- 2 3 oz. package cream cheese, softened

- ½ cup butterscotch caramel fudge ice cream topping
- 3 cups sliced bananas
- 2 1.4 oz. toffee candy bars, chopped
- 1½ cups whipping cream
- 2 Tbsp. brown sugar
- 1 tsp vanilla
- Banana slices

Prepare pie crust according to package directions for unfilled one crust pie using 9 inch pie pan. Bake at 450 degrees for 9–11 minutes or until lightly browned; cool completely. In small bowl, combine cream cheese and caramel topping; beat until smooth. Spread over bottom of cooled crust. Arrange 3 cups banana slices over cream cheese mixture. Reserve 2 Tbsp of the chopped candy bars; sprinkle remaining candy bars over banana slices. In small bowl, beat whipping cream, brown sugar and vanilla until stiff peaks form. Spread over pie. Refrigerate at least 2 hours before serving.

### APPLE CRUMB PIE — By Jackie Smith

*Put a spin on a traditional double-crust apple pie.*

- 1 (9 inch) pie shell
- 6 cups thinly sliced apples
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice (optional)
- ¾ cup white sugar
- 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- ½ teaspoon ground cinnamon
- ⅛ teaspoon ground nutmeg
- ½ cup raisins (optional)
- ½ cup chopped walnuts (optional)
- ½ cup all-purpose flour
- ½ cup packed brown sugar
- 3 tablespoons butter

Preheat oven to 375 degrees F (190 degrees C).

Place sliced apples in a large bowl. Sprinkle with lemon juice if desired. In a small bowl, mix together white sugar, 2 tablespoons flour, cinnamon, and nutmeg. Sprinkle mixture over apples. Toss until apples are evenly coated. Stir in raisins and walnuts if desired. Spoon mixture into pastry shell.

In a small bowl mix together ½ cup flour and brown sugar. Cut in butter or margarine until mixture is crumbly. Sprinkle mixture over apple filling. Cover top loosely with aluminum foil.

Bake in preheated oven for 25 minutes. Remove foil and bake an additional 25 to 30 minutes, until top is golden brown. Cool on a wire rack.

### CHOCOLATE CREAM PIE — By Debbie Cavitt

*No Thanksgiving dinner would be complete at our house without a dreamy creamy chocolate cream pie. It can be made by pouring chocolate pudding into a pre-baked crust but this recipe is definitely worth the little bit of extra time.*

- ¾ cup white sugar
- ⅓ cup all-purpose flour
- 2 cups milk
- 2 1-ounce squares unsweetened chocolate
- 3 egg yolks
- 2 tablespoons butter
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 9-inch pie shell, baked

Combine sugar, flour, milk, and chopped up chocolate in 2 quart saucepan. Stirring constantly, cook over medium heat until mixture begins to bubble. Continue stirring for 2 minutes.

Mix a little of the hot mixture into the egg yolks, beating rapidly to avoid cooking the yolks. Stir the warm yolk mixture into the remainder of the chocolate mixture, and cook for an additional 90 seconds. Remove from heat, and stir in butter or margarine and vanilla.

Pour filling into pie shell, and chill until set. Top with whipped topping, and a little grated chocolate.

If you have any questions, comments, recommendations or suggestions please e-mail me at [jtpfeifer@comcast.net](mailto:jtpfeifer@comcast.net). ■





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# Loudon Elementary School PTA Update

By Lee Laughlin

## SAVE THE DATE!!

Saturday, December 7th will be the annual PTA Santa's Breakfast and Craft Fair. The much-anticipated event will feature: pancakes with REAL maple syrup, a fantastic raffle, a cookie walk, a gingerbread house contest, and LOTS of local crafters, farmers, and small businesses. Wagon rides will be provided by Stoneboat Farms and their majestic draft horses. The Jolly Old Elf himself — Santa — will stop by to hear all of your children's wishes.

Don't miss it! If you are interested in volunteering, donating prizes for the raffle or baking cookies for the cookie walk, please call the school at 783-4400 for details.

## Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!

Thanks to everyone who came to Brookside Pizza for dinner on Tuesday, October 22nd. 50% of the proceeds went the PTA. Thanks also to Billy and all of the Brookside crew for their commitment to our community.

## Trick or Trunk

Our first ever Trick or Trunk event was a huge success! Thanks to everyone who came out. Watch for contest winners and pictures next month.

## It's Time To Get KRAZY!

That's right, it's time for our annual Krazy Kids Fundraiser. Krazy Kids is an indoor play space for kids of all ages located on Sheep Davis Road (Rt. 106) near the intersection with Rt. 3. You purchase a ticket for each child participating (parents must be present, but do not require tickets) at the face value of \$10 and the Latham family, owners of Krazy Kids, generously donate \$5 from each ticket sold back to the LES PTA. Winter is coming and sometimes it's just too wet or too cold to play outside. Krazy Kids is a great way for kids to burn off that extra energy. Do you have family coming for the holidays? Krazy Kids is a great way to keep the kids entertained! Thank you for supporting the LES PTA.

## Technology Fund Donation

Thank you to everyone who supported the Genevieve's fundraiser. If you haven't received your orders yet, they should arrive shortly! We raised enough money to donate another \$2,000 to the LES technology fund!

## PTA online

The LES PTA has it's own web page. To stay on top of all the PTA news visit <http://sites.google.com/a/mvsdpride.org/les/pta>.

## Upcoming Events

- **November 7, 6 p.m.** PTA Meeting at LES. Babysitting is available.
- **November 26**, Rolling Snack Cart Day!

- **December 5, 6 p.m.** PTA Meeting at LES. Babysitting is available
- **December 7**, Santa's Breakfast
- **January 6, 2014**, High Mowing Organic Seed fundraiser begins
- **June 7, 2014**, PTA Golf Tournament

Interested in volunteering or have a question about the PTA? Please contact any of the LES PTA board members.

**Becky Herrmann:** President,  
[becky@handcut.com](mailto:becky@handcut.com)

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**Kristen Byron:** Secretary, [sbkk@tds.com](mailto:sbkk@tds.com) ■

# Full Day Kindergarten Exploration

Recognizing that early learning is an important time in the lives of our children, the Merrimack Valley School Board has initiated an exploration of expanding the current half day kindergarten program to a full day program. To begin the process, a task force of school and community members has been created to review research; map out what full day kindergarten would look like in our district; assess viewpoints in the community; and put together a report to the Merrimack Valley School Board. If you are interested in joining this effort, please contact Dolores Moore at the Superintendent's Office at 753-6561 or [dmoore@sau46.k12.nh.us](mailto:dmoore@sau46.k12.nh.us). Thank you. ■

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227 Flagg Road. 783-4341, 783-9123

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### Hill Top Feeds

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

### Ledgeview Greenhouses

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### Liliana Flower Farm

140 Beck Road. Perennials and pesticide-free vegetable plants. Wed–Sun 10–5 p.m. [www.lilianaflowerfarm.com](http://www.lilianaflowerfarm.com). 783-9268

### Lyon Berry Farm

986 Route 129. Highbush blueberries. 435-7640

### Maple Ridge Farm

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

### Meadow Ledge Farm

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

### Miles Smith Farm

56 Whitehouse Road. Locally raised hormone and antibiotic free beef, individual cuts and sides. Tue, Th 4–7:30 p.m. W, 9–1 p.m., Sat 9–3 p.m. [www.miles-smithfarm.com](http://www.miles-smithfarm.com). 783-5159

### Moonshine Farm Organics

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

### Mudgett Hill Mumbling Maplers

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

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### Pearl and Sons

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### Potpourri Acres

7257 Pleasant Street. "A little bit of everything and not much of anything." Organic producer — vegetables. [larrabee@com](mailto:larrabee@com) or [cast.net](mailto:cast.net). 435-8209

### Ramsay's Farm Stand

783 Loudon Ridge Road. Vegetables and Cut Flowers, Small Fruits in Season. 8 a.m.–7 p.m. Daily. 267-6522

### Red Manse Farm

Corner Route 129 & Pittsfield Road. Certified Organic Produce, CSA and Farm Patron Program. Thurs.–Sun. 10 a.m.–6 p.m. [www.redmansefarm.com](http://www.redmansefarm.com). 435-9943

### Sanborn Mills Farm

7097 Sanborn Road. Traditional working farm providing workshops. [www.sanbornmills.org](http://www.sanbornmills.org). 435-7314

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## Girl Scout News

As you have no doubt seen in past issues of the Ledger, Girl Scouting is alive and well in Loudon. We have several active troops in town, and there is still plenty of room for new members in our Junior (grades 4 and 5), Cadette (grades 6–8), and Senior/Ambassador (grades 9 and up) troops. We are always happy to start new troops, and currently are seeking leaders and members for the Daisy (kindergarten and first grade) and Brownie (grades 2 and 3) age groups.

TROOPS are the most traditional form of Girl Scout programs — now called pathways — but there are other ways girls can participate in scouting. There is Girl Scout CAMP where girls can experience the great outdoors with other girls who have similar interests at overnight or day camp during the summer or special weeks throughout the year. There are EVENTS which girls can participate in events that center on topics that interest girls. There is the option of TRAVEL where girls can participate in travel across town, the country, and around the world. VIRTUAL is a Girl Scout program option that lets girls interact online with other girls and volunteers in a safe secure environment. One of the virtual programs is a book club. SERIES is an option where girls can explore their interests in a series of activities without committing to a full year. Some of the options include a kayaking/paddling group called Swift Water Paddlers, a group about anime, Coastal Rompers which is a group that meets and does several activities/events centered on the ocean and its ecosystem, and groups that are animal interest based like horses or dogs.

Listed below are events that girls can participate in over the coming months, and are sponsored by troops in the greater Concord area (Loudon, Concord, Penacook, Boscawen, Canterbury, Chichester, and Pittsfield):

**November 23: Holiday Parade** — Join area Girl Scouts in ushering in the holiday season as we march from Hazen Drive to the Steeplegate Mall.

**December 6: Science fun, craft project, snack and holiday songs!** Daisy–Junior age level. Cost will be \$6–10 per girl, with a \$25 deposit per troop due November 4.

**January: Pajama & Movie Night** — Enjoy a movie, songs, and yummy popcorn at this fun event in Concord. \$3–4 per girl and bring a book or pair of pajamas to donate to those in need.

**February 2: World Thinking Day** — Learn about customs, play games, sing songs, and taste food from another culture.

**April 5: YMCA Swim & Gym Event** — Swim, rock climb, and dance at the Y in Concord. Cost will be \$14–18 per girl.

**April 12: New York City** — Plan your own adventure on this day trip to the Big Apple! Visit museums, shop, take in a show — you decide! Open to all, but adults need to register to travel. Cost is \$43 per person, \$20 deposit per person due November 4.

**May: LEGO Your Mind** — LEGO and technology event for all ages (split into age groups at event). Cost \$3–5 per girl.

**June: Camporee** — End the year with a day at camp and take part in fun group activities and challenges. Cost is \$25 per girl and \$10 for adults.



*The young ladies of Troop 10454 celebrated the beauty of Loudon in the fall with their spectacular crowns made from colorful leaves.*

How do you get involved with these great opportunities? Just register! Go online to [www.girlscoutsgwm.org](http://www.girlscoutsgwm.org) and click on Join now. You will receive a confirmation email and then be placed according to the pathway that interests you.

A big thank you goes to our troops for your hard work in the Fall Product Sale in October! And thank you, friends and family, for supporting the girls with your purchase of candy, nuts, and magazine subscriptions. Magazine subscriptions will start in 6–8 weeks, and candy and nuts will be delivered in mid-November.

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It's not too early to start thinking about Girl Scout cookies! Sales begin in late December, and cookies will be delivered in February. Our Loudon scouts will be selling at booths in Loudon and Concord in February and March, so you can stock your cupboards and support a great organization at the same time!

Check out next month's Ledger for news and pictures of the November 1st Halloween party and benefit for the Loudon Food Pantry organized by Senior Scout Elizabeth West. She has been working hard to arrange this party with the Boy and Girl Scouts of Loudon, which will include games, a fortuneteller, and a haunted house! Admission is three food items per person, which will be donated to the Loudon Food Pantry. We're looking forward to sharing all the spooky fun details!

*Girl Scouting builds girls of confidence, courage and character, who make the world a better place.*

### Troop 10454

Debbie Latham and Cammy Nolin

Our little troop is off to an exciting start! Our first meeting this October was spent getting ready for the Halloween party to benefit the Loudon Food Pantry — we're bringing back our beanbag toss game and have a big bowl of candy ready to share with all our visitors! We were fortunate to have a perfect day for our next meeting, and held it at Eagle Scout Dan Dockham's outdoor classroom to talk about trees, nature, and safety outdoors. The girls made spectacular crowns out of colorful fall leaves and used their skills of deduction to identify a feather, several types of trees, and animal tracks. Our final meeting in October will be spent making our very own identification flip books of local trees and celebrating the 153rd birthday of Juliette Gordon Low, the founder of Girl Scouts. We have lots planned for November, including marching in the holiday parade in Concord, hiking the Oak Hill trail, and learning more about nature and safety in the woods. If this sounds great to your 4th or 5th grader, we have room and would love to expand our troop. Sign up today at [www.girlscoutsgwm.org](http://www.girlscoutsgwm.org)! ■



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## Concord Hospital Names New CEO

Today, the Concord Hospital Board of Trustees announced that Robert P. Steigmeyer has been selected as Concord Hospital's next CEO/President.

"This appointment was the result of a nationwide search and a careful review of many qualified candidates," said Muriel Schadee, hospital board and search committee chair. "Our board voted unanimously to approve the search committee's recommendation to offer the position to Bob Steigmeyer. He brings valuable experience and dedicated knowledge to the role, together with a commitment to the charitable mission of our organization."

Mr. Steigmeyer has been the chief executive officer at Geisinger Community Medical Center in Scranton, Pennsylvania, a position he has held since 2012 when the Community Medical Center (CMC) System, where he had been the president and CEO since 2010, joined the Geisinger Health System. Geisinger Community Medical Center is a regional healthcare resource that includes a 297-bed hospital and trauma center, a 180-bed skilled nursing facility and a medical group of employed providers. Prior to his position in Pennsylvania, Steigmeyer served as the senior vice president of operations and finance for Northwest Hospital & Medical Center in Seattle, Washington, where he was responsible for overseeing all clinical programs, nursing, medical groups, and support functions, including information technology and finance.

According to Geisinger Health System president and CEO Glenn D. Steele Jr., M.D., PhD, Steigmeyer was instrumental in leading CMC through its transition into Geisinger and building programs and relationships in the Scranton community.

"We wish him every success in his new career endeavor," said Dr. Steele.

"It is a great honor to be entrusted with the responsibility to lead Concord Hospital. Concord Hospital's

transformation from a community hospital to a progressive and high performing regional integrated health care system under the leadership of Michael Green has been a great accomplishment. As a result, Concord Hospital is now very well positioned to address the current challenges facing the healthcare industry. I look forward to working with the community, the board, physicians and staff to maintain the highest level of care, help meet the current and future health care needs of the community and provide the best possible patient experience," said Mr. Steigmeyer. "My family and I have been awed by the beauty of New Hampshire and warmed by the people we have met. We look forward to making our home in Concord New Hampshire and becoming part of the community."

The search committee, comprising hospital board members and a representative from the Concord Hospital Trust board, has engaged in an extensive process for the past nine months to select a candidate. The committee was supported in the process by Witt/Kieffer — the firm used in the last CEO search 20 years ago — who evaluated all candidates, presenting 13 to the search committee for consideration. The committee selected six semi-finalists for interviews, which took place late in July. Narrowing the pool to two finalists, the committee engaged many members of the hospital and Capital Region Health Care community to participate in the assessment and interview process.

"Our board and search committee understood how important the selection of a new CEO is to the employees of the hospital and our community," said Ms. Schadee. "We took our responsibility very seriously and worked to be as inclusive and thorough as possible."

Steigmeyer is expected to start the first week of January, 2014. ■



Robert P. Steigmeyer



## Loudon Lions Club

The Loudon Lions Club thanks all the people who came to the Ice Cream Social and made it a big success. We appreciate your support as we raise funds for those who need help with sight and hearing problems.

We were honored to have our District Governor Jim Robinson and Cabinet Secretary Treasurer Roy Wellings attend our October 15 meeting. Two new members were inducted: Shawn Jones and Michael Moffett. We welcome them to the club!

The Lions Club meets at the Maxfield Public Library on the first and third Tuesdays of the month at 7:00. We invite you to drop in and see what the club is about! ■

## NH Fish & Game News

### Hunt For The Hungry: N.H. Food Bank Seeks Meat Donations From Hunters

New Hampshire hunters can share their fall harvest with the needy through the "Hunt for the Hungry" program at the New Hampshire Food Bank. Once again this fall, the food bank is collecting donations of whole or processed game animals for distribution to more than 400 food pantries, soup kitchens, homeless shelters and group homes statewide.

Last year (2012), the Hunt for the Hungry program took in 1,700 pounds of donated deer, bear, moose and other game meat for distribution to the needy.

To donate game, and for packaging instructions, call the Food Bank at 603-669-9725, x240. If you're donating a whole deer, you can bring it to Lemay & Sons Beef in Goffstown, N.H. (603-622-0022), and they will process it for the food bank at no charge.

Please note that the N.H. Food Bank is not equipped to accept donations of wild game birds, such as wild turkey or grouse.

"We are counting on continued strong support from hunters this year," said Bruce Wilson, Director of Operations for the N.H. Food Bank. "Donations of protein foods fill a big need for the Hunt for the Hungry program. Venison is especially popular, a real treat for clients. Last year, we got some moose meat, and as soon as it came in, out it went! As always, we want to thank New Hampshire hunters and Lemay's for their continued support."

"The Hunt for the Hungry program is a great way for hunters to share their harvest and help needy families get through the winter," said Glenn Normandeau, Executive Director of the New Hampshire Fish and

Game Department. "Wild game is a local renewable resource that is high in protein, low in fat and all natural — not to mention delicious."

For more information on donating to the New Hampshire Food Bank, visit [www.nhfoodbank.org](http://www.nhfoodbank.org).

The New Horizons Food Bank in Manchester also accepts game donations to help feed the hungry. To donate game meat to New Horizons, call 603-628-6133, x114.

### 2014 New Hampshire Fish & Wildlife Calendar Available

The New Hampshire Fish and Game Department has launched its 2014 New Hampshire Fish & Wildlife Calendar, showcasing professional wildlife photography, wildlife watching tips and more. If you enjoy New Hampshire's great outdoors, this award-winning calendar is for you! The Association for Conservation Information recently honored N.H. Fish and Game's 2013 calendar as one of the top two fish and wildlife calendars in the nation!

The N.H. Fish & Wildlife Calendar is a New Hampshire-made product that inspires everyone to get connected to the great outdoors. Each month features fascinating professional photographs of native wildlife, from a snowy white ermine to a magnificent fall moose and a mallard taking flight. A mama bear and cub grace the cover. Outdoor enthusiasts will enjoy another unique feature — handy New Hampshire season dates for hunting, fishing and snowmobiling. This year's calendar also highlights year-round opportunities for adults and kids to "learn wild" in New Hampshire.

Calendars are available for \$9.95 at [www.wildnh.com/Shop/calendar.html](http://www.wildnh.com/Shop/calendar.html) (shipping is

free for 1-5 calendars), or purchase in person at the N.H. Fish and Game Department, 11 Hazen Drive in Concord, N.H. (open Monday through Friday from 8:15 a.m. to 4:15 p.m.).

By buying a calendar, you'll help support N.H. Fish and Game's work managing New Hampshire's natural resources that we all enjoy — the state's fish and wildlife and their habitats.

Wholesale pricing is available for retailers who want to sell the 2014 N.H. Fish & Wildlife calendar. Download a wholesale order form at [www.wildnh.com/Shop/calendar.html](http://www.wildnh.com/Shop/calendar.html).

The New Hampshire Fish and Game Department is the guardian of the state's fish, wildlife and marine resources and their habitats.







## Loudon American Legion Post 88

By Shawn Jones, Post Commander

Greetings Legionnaires,

Another meeting has come and passed. The eleven members present voted to donate \$250.00 to the Loudon Food Pantry for its Thanksgiving needs. We will be making arrangements in November to present them with the gift.

Adjutant Joe Piroso reported that our post is ahead of the Department's membership goals for the year. He reported we are currently at 67% membership levels for 2014. He would like to see everyone renew by December 31st so that we will be at 100% membership going into 2014. This will save us from having to call you to remind you to send in your dues for next year. You may also pay them at one of our meetings. If you have moved, please let us know as well. Please renew ASAP and as always, if you have questions about your membership or what your post can do for you and the Legion on the whole, contact me. Also please think about what you can do for your post such as volunteering to serve on a committee or as an officer for 2014.

Members are beginning to bring in their DD-214's so that we can keep them on file per new IRS regulations. If you do not have a copy of your DD-214 you can contact the National Personnel Records Center. Write to Military Personnel Records, 9700 Page Avenue St. Louis, Missouri 63132-5100. Their phone number is 314-801-0800 and you can request a copy by going on line to <http://vetrecs.archives.gov>.

In November we will have a guest come from Rise Again Outreach to tell us more about their organization and how they serve area homeless vets.

We now have our own web page. You can access this by going to [www.nhlegion.com](http://www.nhlegion.com). Look for the link to the post websites and click on 88. If you have any ideas of content for our website, let me know what you would like to see and I will try to get it added to our site. The NH Department of the American Legion hosts this for free.

We are looking for a new home for our post. If you know of a suitable piece of real estate in town to either buy and build upon or move into let us know so that we can look more into it. I would like to have some volunteers come forward to form an exploratory building committee.

Our Commander's Fund Raffle winners for October are: \$50/H. Trott, \$25/R. Tasker, \$10/P. Dupont, \$10/R. Lounsbury, and \$5/S. Elliott.

We hope to see you at our next meeting on November 20th at 7 p.m. Remember "Everyone is a Recruiter." Just ask a veteran, active duty, reserve or National Guard if they are a member of the American Legion. If not, sign them up today. I have membership applications if you need one. Have a Happy Thanksgiving! ■

Respectively submitted,

Commander Shawn Jones, [uscgr1987@tds.net](mailto:uscgr1987@tds.net)

## Bank of New Hampshire Celebrates With 2020 Vision Quest

Bank of New Hampshire is proud to be a supporter of 2020 Vision Quest and their mission to inspire people to reach beyond adversity and achieve their highest goals. In addition to the recent sponsorship of 2020 Vision Quest's Peak Potential Dinner, Bank of New Hampshire's John Swenson, VP – Loan Serving Manager has also joined the 2020 Vision Quest Board of Directors.

On August 24, 2013 Randy and Quinn Pierce of 2020 Vision Quest climbed to the summit of Mt. Flume and back on a spectacular late-summer day, completing their original quest to climb the New Hampshire forty-eight 4,000' mountains. Their journey logged a total of over 340 trail miles and over 110,000 feet of elevation gain. The non-winter version of the NH 48 — with its twisty, rocky, root-filled trails — holds plenty of challenge for the foot not guided by sight. But when the team stepped out of the woods and off the Liberty Spring trailhead that Saturday afternoon, this amazing accomplishment was in the books. Randy is the first blind person ever to complete this feat, and Quinn the first Guide Dog.

The accomplishment actually means that they completed their second round of these mountains in 37 months, as the team used the easier footing of winter in their historic single-winter-season summit of all these peaks from December 21, 2011 through March 10, 2012.

For more information on 2020 Vision Quest, visit [www.2020visionquest.org](http://www.2020visionquest.org). ■



Left to right: John Swenson, VP — Loan Serving Manager for Bank of New Hampshire and Board Member for 2020 Vision Quest completes the New Hampshire forty-eight 4,000' mountains alongside Randy Pierce, Founder of 2020 Vision Quest.

**Loudon Young at Heart**

**Loudon Young at Heart**

On October 8, 2013 forty-four members of Loudon Young at Heart traveled to the Town and Country in Gorham to participate in a Mystery Dinner Theater. The weather was nice and the foliage was colorful.

Upon arrival, drinks, crackers, cheese, and dip were enjoyed as people visited with one another. The main meal was delicious and all appetites were satisfied and then some. Prizes were given out and Mabel Fisher was the recipient from Loudon.

The next Young at Heart meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 12 at 10:00 am at Charlie's Barn. A representative from the VNA will speak on the Affordable Care Act, also called "Obamacare." ■

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### Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association Hospice Lights of Life Begins

The 18th annual Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association Hospice Lights of Life to honor our loved ones and raised awareness about the compassionate care that our hospice program provides patients and their families has begun.

Now through December 1, honor a loved one by inscribing their name in the Concord Regional VNA Hospice Lights of Life Honor Roll. Those honored only need to have held a special place in your heart and do not need to have been a part of the Concord Regional VNA Hospice Program. Names and donations may be mailed to Concord Regional VNA, 30 Pillsbury Street, Concord NH 03301 or made online at [www.crvna.org/donate.html](http://www.crvna.org/donate.html).

The Lights of Life Honor Roll is available for viewing at [www.crvna.org](http://www.crvna.org) beginning October 15 and will be in the Concord Monitor on December 19.

For more than three decades, our agency has cared for and supported thousands of patients with life-limiting illnesses in their homes, nursing facilities, and at Concord Regional VNA Hospice House. We guide patients and their families through this time of uncertainty to help them find comfort, dignity, and peace.

There are Hospice Lights of Life Community Remembrance Ceremonies being held on:

- **Monday, December 2, 2 p.m.** MainStreet BookEnds of Warner, The Gallery, 16 East Main Street, Warner
- **Tuesday, December 3, Noon.** Suncook Senior Center, 10 School Street, Suncook
- **Wednesday, December 4, 12:30 p.m.,** Slusser Senior Center, 41 Houston Drive, Hopkinton
- **Thursday, December 5, 11:30 a.m.,** Pittsfield Area Senior Center, 74 Main Street, Pittsfield
- **Friday, December 6, 6:30 p.m.,** Merrimack County Savings Bank, 89 North Main Street, Concord. Note: Space is limited — Doors open at 6:15 p.m.
- **Monday, December 9, 11 a.m.** Merrimack County Nursing Home, 325 Daniel Webster Highway, Boscawen
- **Thursday, December 12, 12:30 p.m.** Greater Hillsborough Senior Services, 36 Church Street, Hillsborough
- **Friday, December 13, 10:30 a.m.** Hooksett Public Library, Lower Level, 31 Mount Saint Mary's Way, Hooksett

Also in December, hundreds of electric candles will be lit in the windows of downtown Concord, Contoocook, Goffstown, Hillsborough, Penacook, Pittsfield, Suncook Village, and Warner to celebrate lives past.

Concord Regional VNA thanks all of our corporate sponsors including "Shining Stars" Concord Imaging Center, New Hampshire Oncology-Hematology, P.A., The Prescription Center/Northeast Pharmacy Services, and St. Paul's School.

For more information call (603) 224-4093 or (800) 924-8620, ext. 5807.

### November Walk-In Blood Pressure Clinic

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association is holding a free monthly Walk-in Blood Pressure Clinic on Friday, November 1 from 9:30 to 11 a.m.

Blood Pressure Clinics are at Concord Parks and Recreation (formerly Dame School), 14 Canterbury Rd. in Concord. Blood pressure screenings are a good way

for individuals to track their blood pressure for upcoming visits to their physician. For more information, call Concord Regional VNA at (603) 224-4093 or (800) 924-8620, ext. 5815.

### November Walk-In Immunization Clinics

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association offers monthly Walk-In Immunization Clinics for children and adults who are uninsured, underserved, and who have no access to these needed services in order to lead a healthy lifestyle.

Clinics will be held on Monday, November 4 from 1–3 p.m. and Tuesday, November 19 from 2:30–4:30 p.m.

Immunization Clinics are at St. Paul's Episcopal Church Outreach Center, 21 Centre St. in Concord. A fee of \$10 is requested per person. Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Please bring an immunization record with you.

In addition, children age 3 and over and adults can receive flu vaccine for \$25 per immunization (cash or check). Clients who present an insurance card from Medicare B, Medicaid, Harvard Pilgrim, or Anthem (NHN, NHP, YGG, EHH, R, or Federal) do not need to pay a fee. Please note that flu clinics are dependent on the availability of the vaccine and are subject to change. For more information, call Concord Regional VNA at (603) 224-4093 or (800) 924-8620, ext. 5815.

### November Senior Health Clinics

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association is holding a Senior Health Clinic in Loudon on November 26 at the Loudon VOANNE Senior Housing on South Village Road from 9 a.m. until noon. Rides are available by calling 798-5203. All Senior Health Clinic services are provided for a suggested donation of \$10; however, services are provided regardless of a person's ability to pay. Services offered include foot care, blood pressure screening, B-12 injections, medication education, and nutritional education. Call (603) 224-4093 or (800) 924-8620, ext. 5815 for an appointment.

### Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association Offers Consider the Conversation™ Showing in Concord

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association is offering a free showing of Consider the Conversation™: A Documentary on a Taboo Subject on Wednesday, November 13 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Red River Theatres, 11 South Main Street in Concord.

Consider the Conversation™ opens the floodgates of thought and conversation on many issues that we will all face at the end of life. This documentary examines multiple perspectives on end-of-life care and includes information and experiences gathered from interviews with patients, family members, doctors, nurses, clergy, social workers, and experts nationwide. There will be a post-documentary discussion.

Registration is required and space is limited. For more information and to register, call Concord Regional VNA at (603) 224-4093 or (800) 924-8620, ext. 5815. Underwriting for this program is generously provided by Ransmeier & Spellman, P.C.

### Dine Out for Hospice

Looking for a place to eat before or after Consider the Conversation™ at Red River Theatres? Try Uno's in Concord on Wednesday, November 13 from 11 a.m. to closing! Use the special voucher at [www.crvna.org](http://www.crvna.org) or mention Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association Hospice and Uno's will donate up to 20 percent of your purchase (less tax/gratuity, no coupons) to our Hospice Program. The offer is good for dine-in or take-out. ■

## Boating Education Class Schedule

Call 603-267-7256 or 1-888-254-2125  
(Monday through Friday 8:15 a.m.–4:15 p.m.)  
[www.boatingeducation.nh.gov](http://www.boatingeducation.nh.gov)

The Department of Safety, Boating Education is offering the boating education course to the public at the following locations. There is a \$30.00 non-refundable fee per person for the class and because of the limited seating pre-registration is required. Call (603) 267-7256 or (888) 254-2125 to pre-register. Seating is still available in the following courses:

#### One Full Day Session (Saturday)

11/16/13	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Concord DOS	Concord
12/14/13	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Windham FD	Windham
01/25/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Windham FD	Windham ■

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## Loudon Food Pantry News

### 1st Annual Blues & Lobster Fest! At Makris Lobster & Steak House

We had a great time during this event! The cover charge of \$3 per person and the raffle sales received went to benefit Loudon Food Pantry. Thank you Greg and Jim Makris for including us in this event. All in all, we received about \$360. This will go a long way in feeding those in need within our five towns. We look forward to doing it again next year.

### Bon Ton Community Days Booklets

To help raise funds to support the pantry we are participating in Bon Ton's Community Days. Donate \$5 and receive a booklet containing over \$500 and more in exclusive coupon savings that are good on Friday November 15th and Saturday November 16th. The pantry keeps 100% of the donation. You can drop by the pantry (30 Chichester Rd., Unit D, Loudon) to get your booklet or go to <http://bit.ly/14WhEVH> and order yours today. Your order will be shipped free of charge and Bon Ton will send us your donation. Tell your friends and family. The more booklets sold, the more it helps the pantry and you get some great coupons as well!

### Annual Holiday 50/50 Raffle

Our annual raffle is starting November 1st and continues until December 13th. Half of the ticket sales will go to the winner and the other half benefits Loudon Food Pantry. Tickets are 50¢ each; \$2.00 for 5 or \$3.00 for 10. You can purchase your tickets at the pantry located at 30 Chichester Rd., Unit D, Loudon on Mon., Tue., or Thu. 10 a.m.–5 a.m. and Wed. 10 a.m.–6 a.m. An order form will be on our website ([LoudonFoodPantry.org](http://LoudonFoodPantry.org)) during the dates of the raffle.

### Thanksgiving Box Signup

Please sign up for your Thanksgiving Box as soon as possible. Doing this allows us to see what supplies are needed. Call 603-724-9731 to see if you qualify.

## Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission Plans Public Outreach Sessions

The Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission (CNHRPC) is holding a series of public outreach sessions to invite interested people to discuss challenges and opportunities facing the Central NH Region.

What are the region's strengths and what could be improved? Join neighbors and new friends for an informative dialogue to answer these questions and more during any of three public outreach listening sessions this fall for the Central NH Region.

All three sessions run from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.:

**Wednesday, October 30** — Hillsborough Town Office Meeting Room, 27 School Street.

**Wednesday, November 20** — Bow Town Hall Meeting Room, 10 Grandview Road.

**Wednesday, December 11** — Pittsfield Elementary School Cafeteria, 34 Bow Road.

For more information, please contact CNHRPC at 226-6020 or [cnhrpc@cnhrpc.org](mailto:cnhrpc@cnhrpc.org).

CNHRPC's Mission is to improve, through education, training, and planning assistance, the abilities of the municipalities of the region to prepare and implement municipal plans; to prepare a plan for effective and appropriate development and utilization of the resources of the region; and to assist municipalities in carrying out the regional plan. ■

## Fire Permits Required

A Fire Permit is **REQUIRED** for ALL outside fires, including family campfires, chimineas, fireplaces, etc.

To obtain a Fire Permit, please stop at the Fire Station on Cooper Street between the hours of 6 a.m.–6 p.m., Monday–Sunday.

### Holiday Box Signup

Capital Region Food Program puts together our Holiday Boxes each year. But, you need to qualify and sign up through an agency (like Loudon Food Pantry) to receive your Holiday Box.

### Donations Needed

Check out [LoudonFoodPantry.org](http://LoudonFoodPantry.org) for an updated list of items we need. Thanks-giving needs are listed there too. We will also have printed lists available at the pantry as well. During the months of November and December we will also accept donations every Friday from 11 a.m.–3 p.m. (except for holidays, of course).

You can mail or drop off your donations to Loudon Food Pantry, 30 Chichester Rd., Unit D, Loudon NH 03307. But if you find you're not in the neighborhood you can drop off at one of these convenient locations:

Business	Town	Collection Type Accepted
Elkins Library	Canterbury	Food
Care Pharmacy	Epsom	Funds
Loudon Post Office	Loudon	Food & Funds
The Hungry Buffalo	Loudon	Food & Funds
Beanstalk	Loudon	Funds
Red Roof Inn	Loudon	Food & Funds
Loudon Village Country Store	Loudon	Funds

### The Monthly Veg Newsletter

Our newsletter was published in early October. If you want to receive your monthly copy, go to [LoudonFoodPantry.org](http://LoudonFoodPantry.org) and sign up today.

### Gift of Lights at New Hampshire Motor Speedway

In 2011 and 2012 the NH Motor Speedway gave the food donations from the Gift of Lights to Loudon Food Pantry. It has been a huge help for the towns we support (Belmont, Canterbury, Chichester, Epsom, and Loudon). We are looking forward to it again this year.

#### What is the Gift of Lights?

Taken from New Hampshire Motor Speedway's website, the Gift of Lights spans over two miles, it is one of the largest displays of holiday lights in New England. It includes several themed displays, such as the 12 Days of Christmas, a jungle scene and a Nativity depiction. The course winds around the outside of the track's grandstands and includes a portion of the NHMS Road Course.

#### When is the Gift of Lights?

Friday, November 15–Sunday, January 5, 2014, 4:30 p.m.–9:00 p.m. More information will be available soon. So keep an eye out for more information. ■

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# Merrimack Valley School District News

## Loudon Elementary School

*"You see, you spend a good piece of your life gripping a baseball, and in the end it turns out that it was the other way around all the time."* — JIM BOUTON

*"A hot dog at the ball park is better than steak at the Ritz."* — HUMPHREY BOGART

### Grade 1 Field Trip to Meadow Ledge Farm

On October 10, the first-grade students went to Meadow Ledge Farm. They have been learning about the life cycle of the apple. The students learned how bees pollinate to assist in the growth and development process. The students saw how cider is made and got a first-hand account of how farms produce fruits and vegetables and get them to stores and markets.

In the top picture, the students learn the proper technique of picking an apple. The students were able to pick a bag of apples. In the lower photo, students, teachers, and volunteers mix the ingredients for apple crisp. Later in the day, the students were able to enjoy their dessert.



The first photo shows a fourth-grade student holding a freshly picked carrot from the LES gardens. The students planted the seeds, maintained the growing process, and picked the fruits of their labor. The students in the Tech-

nology Club also dissected a computer to learn all the parts so they can understand how a computer operates.

### Summer Reading Challenge

In the spring of last year, Ms. Bailey presented the students with a Summer Reading Challenge. The goal was to motivate the students to read consistently throughout the summer. The students logged their minutes and returned their journals this fall. Sixty-five students returned their sheets and were rewarded with an extra 20 minutes of recess and a frozen fruit pop.

In the picture at the bottom the students pose for their "silly" picture. On a warm Friday afternoon with 15 minutes before dismissal, the students were in the mood for fun.

### Response to Instruction (RtI)

Now that NECAP assessments are over, LES will be providing Response to Instruction (RtI) three days a week for a half hour each session. RtI is required under the reauthorization of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act of 2006. From the site [idea.ed.gov](http://idea.ed.gov): *Response to instruction (RtI) strategies are tools that enable educators to target instructional interventions to children's areas of specific need as soon as those needs become apparent.*

At LES it means that we are going to help kids in specific areas of reading where they struggle without taking them away from other instruction such as math, science, or social studies. On Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays each grade level will have 30 minutes of

RtI time. Each grade level will have approximately eight adults providing instruction.

Students who are below the expected levels of understanding will receive small group instruction with other students who have a common, specific area of deficit. Those who have shown expected growth will meet in a larger setting and work on skills that will enhance their understanding through the use of critical thinking and technology.

If you have any questions regarding RtI, please contact me at the school. If you have specific questions about your child, please speak directly with the classroom teacher.

### The Nature's Classroom in Use

In a recent News from LES, I shared that a former LES student, Dan Dockham, was creating a Nature's Classroom on the LES grounds as part of his Scout's Eagle Project. Although Dan has not completed the project, he has done plenty that makes the classroom usable. Several classes have gone to the nature's classroom. The pictures below show students reading in the great outdoors with the sun pouring through the trees.

By Tom Laliberte, Principal  
[tlaliberte@mv.k12.nh.us](mailto:tlaliberte@mv.k12.nh.us) 783-4400



### Co-Curricular Clubs at LES

Loudon Elementary School offers several co-curricular activities. We feel that it is important to give children the opportunity to engage in activities that further their education and bring them joy. The offerings are optional for the students and it gives them time to delve into an activity they have interest in. The students also experience social interactions with their peers and teachers that they do not usually have the chance to foster during school hours.

The co-curricular activities include: chorus, garden club, environmental club, Lego club, student council, chess club, literature clubs, technology club, and the ski club. Some of the activities are before school and others after 3:30.



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## Financial Mistakes to Avoid For the First-Time Homebuyer

By Jack Prendiville  
Century 21 Thompson Real Estate

The home buying process can be overwhelming and navigating through the financial pitfalls can be an arduous endeavor. Here are some financial tips to remember when buying your first home.

1. Improve your credit score. Review your credit score before applying for pre-approval. Pay down your debts and don't make any large purchases that will drastically alter your score.
2. Get pre-approved. Pre-approval usually means the lender is ready to make you a mortgage loan after thorough research into your finances. Pre-approval gives you an accurate idea of what properties are in your price range, and could give you a competitive edge in negotiations.
3. Set a realistic down payment. Although a down payment of more than 20% of the overall cost of the property may save you from paying mortgage insurance, you may want to think twice about leaving yourself without a cushion.
4. Think big picture. Consider a long-term budget and factor in all additional expenses of home ownership. Taxes, utilities, home insurance, maintenance, and even pricey repairs should be part of your budgeting.
5. Consider resale value. Even though future resale is the last thing on your mind when buying your property, it is a practicality to consider. A home that appeals to the majority of buyers in an ideal location with a reputable school system may be a wise investment.
6. Consult with a financial professional and mortgage consultant for more guidance. ■

## MVSD School Board Meeting Minutes — August 12, 2013

### Roll Call and Call to Order:

The regular meeting held at Merrimack Valley High School was called to order by Chairman Thomas Godfrey at 7:15 p.m.

**Board Members Present:** Caroletta Alicea, Normandie Blake, Lorrie Carey, Troy Cowan, Thomas Godfrey, Mark Hutchins, Jim Lavery, Seelye Longnecker, Laura Vincent, Will Renauld

**Administrators Present:** Superintendent Mike Martin; Assistant Superintendent Chris Barry; Business Administrator Robin Heins; Human Resources Manager Kathleen Boucher; Principals Mike Jette, Pat Severance, Jeff Drouin, Stephanie Wheeler, Chris Foley, Tom Laliberte, Assistant Principals Pam Hill, James Tremblay; Administrator for Special Education Maureen Gross; Facilities Director Fred Reagan

**Others Present:** Sandy Miller, Marcia Murphy, Ken Ross-Raymond, Dave Merwin, Salisbury Residents; Amy Corliss, Parent; Lorieal Jordan-Foote, MVEA; Leander Corman, Intern Guest

### Pledge of Allegiance:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Godfrey.

### Minutes of Previous Meetings:

*Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Mark Hutchins, to approve the July 8, 2013 Board Meeting minutes (pages 1-5 in the packet) as presented. Motion passed unanimously.*

*Motion by Mark Hutchins, second by Normandie Blake, to approve the July 15,*

*2013 Special Board Meeting minutes (page 6 in the packet) as presented. Motion passed unanimously.*

### Public Participation:

None

### Good News:

Administrators reported on good news items and upcoming events in their buildings and throughout the district. Administrators also reported on feedback they have received regarding the district's new website.

### Committee Reports:

#### LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE:

Minutes for the July 8, 2013 Long Range Plan Committee meeting are included in the packet for board review.

#### SUPERINTENDENT SEARCH ADVISORY COMMITTEE:

Lorrie Carey reported on the July 15, 2013 Superintendent Search Advisory Committee meeting (minutes on page 10 in the packet).

#### SECURITY PLANNING COMMITTEE:

Mike Martin reported on the July 17, 2013 Security Planning Committee meeting (minutes on page 11 in the packet).

The next Security Planning Committee meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 14, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. at the SAU office.

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**School Board — cont. from 23****CURRICULUM COMMITTEE:**

Laura Vincent reported on the July 29, 2013 Curriculum Committee meeting (minutes on pages 12–13 in the packet).

*Motion by Laura Vincent, second by Lorrie Carey, to move a half-day kindergarten position from Loudon to Boscawen. Motion passed unanimously.*

*Motion by Laura Vincent, second by Seelye Longnecker, to send the draft letter on page 16 in the packet (with the addition of a statement that parents are responsible for transportation) to Webster parents. Motion passed unanimously.*

*Motion by Laura Vincent, second by Lorrie Carey, to approve the proposal from the high school Wellness Department. Motion passed unanimously.*

**SPECIAL SCHOOL BOARD MEETING:**

Mike Martin reported a special school board meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, August 14, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the high school library.

**OTHER:**

Jim Lavery reported on tonight's Facilities Committee meeting. Mike Martin reported on a boundary issue. *Motion by Jim Lavery, second by Will Renauld, to notice the neighbors (signed by the chairman) about the boundary issue and give them thirty days to respond. Motion passed unanimously.* Lorrie Carey suggested we seek information from an attorney regarding a lot line adjustment.

Lorrie Carey reported on a question from a constituent regarding special permissions.

Normandie Blake reported on tonight's Transportation Committee meeting. *Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Laura Vincent, to approve the transportation request as presented. Motion passed unanimously.*

Mike Martin discussed converting one of our busses to a hybrid vehicle to use propane gasoline. *Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Mark Hutchins, to approve converting one vehicle at a cost of \$6,300.00. Motion passed unanimously.*

Mike Martin discussed exploring on-site fueling for our large busses. *Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Lorrie Carey, to authorize the district to go forward with exploring on-site fueling. Motion passed unanimously.*

Lorrie Carey reported that she went on the new website and the first day of school was not on the district calendar.

**Old Business:****WRITTEN INQUIRIES:**

This agenda item will be discussed in non-public session.

**MV POLICIES:**

Chris Barry reported on the following policies are included in the packet for a second reading (pages 17–21).

*Policy BBAB, Roles and Duties of the Board Chairperson & Vice-chairperson*  
*Policy BCA, School Board Member Ethics Policy*

*Policy BCA-R, Acknowledgment of School Board Ethics Policy*

*Policy BEC, Non-public Sessions:*

After the board discussed these policies, they decided to put them on hold and send them back to the committee for review/revision.

*Policy BDB, Board Officers*

*Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Caroletta Alicea, to approve Policy BDB as presented. Motion passed unanimously.*

The next Policy Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 19, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at the SAU office.

**REVIEW SCHEDULE OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS:**

Mike Martin reviewed the schedule of upcoming meetings and asked board members to hold Monday, September 9, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. for a possible Transportation Committee Meeting at Salisbury Elementary School.

**OTHER:**

None

**New Business:****PRIMEX OFFER:**

Robin Heins reported on an offer we received from Primex inviting us to participate in the Contribution Assurance Program until June 30, 2017 for our Property and Liability Program and our Workers' Compensation Program. *Motion by Laura Vincent, second by Normandie Blake, to approve the proposal and authorize the Board Chairman to sign the necessary forms. Motion passed unanimously.*

**OTHER:**

None

**Manifests/Journal Entries to Sign:**

*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.

**Board Chairman's Report:**

Chairman Godfrey distributed a book (*Schools Cannot Do It Alone*) to the board and asked them to read it this month.

**Assistant Superintendent's Report:**

Chris Barry updated the board on planning for the full-day kindergarten task force, technology throughout the district, and the Superintendent Search survey.

Chris Barry reported on the status and timeline for the investigation of the high school culture and climate.

Chris Barry also reported on attending a band camp presentation with the superintendent.

**Superintendent's Report:**

Mike Martin invited board members to the opening day ceremony on Monday, August 26, 2013 at the high school. Coffee and snacks will be served at 7:15 a.m. in the cafeteria and the meeting will begin at 8:00 a.m. in the auditorium.

**Public Participation:**

None

Ken Ross-Raymond, Salisbury resident, asked if agenda item 7A (to be discussed in non-public session) includes inquiries from the public.

Loréal Jordan-Foote, MVEA, asked for information regarding high school climate and culture.

**See Non-Public Session Minutes.**

*Motion by Will Renauld, second by Normandie Blake, to go into non-public session at 9:10 p.m. in accordance with RSA 91-A:3II (a), (b) and (c) to discuss resignations, staff nominations, negotiations and a letter of inquiry from the public. Motion passed unanimously on a Roll Call Vote.*

*Roll Call: Caroletta Alicea, Normandie Blake, Lorrie Carey, Troy Cowan, Thomas Godfrey, Mark Hutchins, Jim Lavery, Seelye Longnecker, Laura Vincent, Will Renauld*

**Return to Public Session**

*Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Lorrie Carey, to go out of non-public session at 10:25 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.*

**Action from Non-Public Session if Needed**

*Motion by Troy Cowan, second by Lorrie Carey, to accept the resignation of Leanne Rosenberg. Motion passed unanimously.*

*Motion by Laura Vincent, second by Will Renauld, to accept the resignation of Sarah Jedrzejewski with the breach of contract penalty in accordance with the collective bargaining agreement. Motion passed. (9 yes, 1 no)*

*Motion by Mark Hutchins, second by Lorrie Carey, to accept the resignation of Jeff Laferriere with the breach of contract penalty in accordance with the collective bargaining agreement. Motion passed.*

*Motion by Mark Hutchins, second by Normandie Blake, to approve the following nominations. Motion passed unanimously.*

*Amy King, HS Math Teacher, Step 1 of the Bachelor's Track, \$33,777*

*Allison Godfrey, PT Kindergarten Teacher, .5 of Step 2 of the Master's Track, \$18,663*

*Rose Ferguson, HS English Teacher, Step 2 of the Bachelor's Track, \$34,538*

*Janine Lescrinier, HS Social Studies Teacher, Step 1 of the Bachelor's Track, \$33,777*

*Gloria Verrill, HS Math Teacher, Step 10 of the Bachelor's+15 Track, \$49,869*

The superintendent informed the board about a communication with the Concord Police Chief.

**Adjournment.**

*Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Troy Cowan, to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 10:25 p.m.*

*Respectfully submitted,  
Sally Welch, Clerk*

## MVSD School Board Meeting Minutes — September 9, 2013

**Roll Call and Call to Order:**

The regular meeting held at Salisbury Elementary School was called to order by Chairman Thomas Godfrey at 7:15 p.m.

*Board Members Present:* Caroletta Alicea, Normandie Blake, Lorrie Carey, Audrey Carter, Troy Cowan, Thomas Godfrey, Mark Hutchins, Jim Lavery, Seelye Longnecker, Laura Vincent, Will Renauld.

*Administrators Present:* Superintendent Mike Martin; Assistant Superintendent Chris Barry; Business Administrator Robin Heins; Human Resources Manager Kathleen Boucher; Principals Mike Jette, Pat Severance, Jeff Drouin, Stephanie Wheeler, Chris Foley, Tom Laliberte, Assistant Principals Pam Hill, James Tremblay, Catherine Masterson; Administrators for Special Education Maureen Gross, Mary Paradise; Facilities Director Fred Reagan; MVLC Administrator Julie Gaudette.

*Others Present:* Annie Stetson, MVHS Student Representative; Mark Ciametaro, Rebecca Kennedy, Lauren Mercier, MVHS Guidance Counselors; Sara Rogers, Abby Sanborn, DeAna Irving, Ray Bailey, Tyler Radel, Kristin Anderson, Sam York, Sandy Constant, Kathy Gilbert, Patrick Kenney; Carisa Corrow, MVHS Teachers; Loréal Jordan-Foote, MVEA; Dave Merwin, Karen Sheldon, Sandy Miller, Amanda Bailey, Ken Ross-Raymond, Louise Andrus, Jeffrey A Dingle, Steve Wheeler, Dawn Platte, Salisbury Residents; Bill MacDuffie, Marcia Murphy, Ed Sawyer, Salisbury Budget Committee; April Rollins, Salisbury Munic-

ipal Secretary; Joseph J. Kenney, V.R. Pinard, Penacook Residents; Deb Cuddahy, PCC Executive Director; Ralph Downes, Heidi Stetson, Joe Cuddahy.

**Pledge of Allegiance:**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Godfrey.

*Motion by Will Renauld, second by Normandie Blake, to move Agenda item #13 (Assistant Superintendent's Report) to next item on the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.*

Assistant Superintendent Chris Barry provided information on the high school culture and climate study. Chris discussed feedback from high school staff and options for the study.

*Motion by Will Renauld to rescind the vote from July and put an end to this study. There was no second.*

*Motion by Troy Cowan, second by Normandie Blake, to go with the study recommended (option 1) by Chris Barry. After hearing comments and concerns from Ray Bailey, Sam York, Loriel Jordan-Foote and Carisa Corrow, and a discussion by the board members, the motion passed 8-3 with no votes from Will Renauld, Laura Vincent, and Seelye Longnecker.*

**Tour of Salisbury Elementary Entrance:**

Board members toured the new Salisbury entrance.

Note: Will Renauld left the meeting.

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**School Board — cont. from 24****Minutes of Previous Meetings:**

*Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Mark Hutchins, to approve the August 12, 2013 Board Meeting minutes (pages 1–6 in the packet) as presented. Motion passed unanimously.*

*Motion by Mark Hutchins, second by Troy Cowan, to approve the August 14, 2013 Special Board Meeting minutes (page 7 in the packet) as presented. Motion passed unanimously.*

**SAU Report on Business & Finance:**

Robin Heins reported on the following citizen correspondence received by the board.

8/7/13 Kathleen Ronayne *Concord Monitor* request for board emails from March–July under the RTKL.

8/12/13 Louise Andrus Request board packet and minutes

8/12/13 Ken Ross-Raymond Request information on list of employees

8/12/13 Ken Ross-Raymond Request for employee information response to newspaper article

8/16/13 Dave Merwin Request for employee identification

8/20/13 Karen Sheldon Request for July–Aug. minutes (public & NP)

8/21/13 Louise Andrus Request for information on special permissions

8/21/13 Louise Andrus Request to look through all vendors

8/27/13 Dave Merwin Request for copies of board packets

8/27/13 Louise Andrus Request for list of vendors

8/29/13 Dave Merwin Response to newspaper article

9/5/13 Ken Ross-Raymond Request for copy of Welcome-Back speech on 8/26/13

**Public Participation:**

Annie Stetson, MVHS Student Representative, reported on high school activities and sports.

Joe Cuddahy, PCC, distributed information about Penacook Community Center and a letter of interest in purchasing Washington Street School.

**Good News:**

Administrators reported on good news items and upcoming events in their buildings and throughout the district.

**Committee Reports:****TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE:**

Minutes for the August 12, 2013 Transportation Committee meeting are included in the packet (page 20) for board review.

Normandie Blake reported on tonight's Transportation Committee meeting (minutes will be in next month's packet).

Mike Martin reported on the propane bus and on on-site fueling of the busses.

**FACILITIES COMMITTEE:**

Minutes for the August 12, 2013 Facilities Committee meeting are included in the packet (page 21) for board review.

Jim Lavery recognized Fred Reagan for the fields at the high school.

The next Facilities Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 30, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. at the SAU office.

**SECURITY PLANNING TASK FORCE:**

Minutes for the August 14, 2013 Security Task Force meeting are included in the packet (page 22) for board review.

The next Security Planning Task Force meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, September 11, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. at the high school.

**LONG RANGE PLAN COMMITTEE:**

Mark Hutchins reported on the August 19, 2013 Long Range Plan Committee meeting (minutes on page 23 in the packet).

The next Long Range Plan Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 30, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. at the SAU office.

**POLICY COMMITTEE:**

Chris Barry reported on the August 19, 2013 Policy Committee meeting (minutes on page 24 in the packet).

Policy BBAB, Roles and Duties of the Board Chairperson & Vice-chairperson, is included in the packet for a third read. *Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Troy Cowan, to approve Policy BBAB, Roles and Duties of the Board Chairperson & Vice-chairperson, as presented. Motion passed unanimously.*

Policy BCA, School Board Member Ethics Policy, is included in the packet for a third read. *Motion by Troy Cowan, second by Laura Vincent, to approve Policy BCA, School Board Member Ethics Policy, with changes as discussed. Motion passed unanimously.*

The next Policy Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 16, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. at the SAU office.

**SUPERINTENDENT SEARCH COMMITTEE:**

Lorrie Carey and Bill Lander distributed and discussed information regarding the superintendent search. Lorrie asked board members to contact her with feedback regarding the superintendent search.

The first public forum for the Superintendent Search Committee is scheduled for Monday, September 23, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. at the high school.

**OTHER:**

NONE

**Old Business:****2013-2014 OVERNIGHT FIELD TRIP REQUESTS:**

The board reviewed the 2013-2014 overnight field trips (page 31 in the packet). *Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Audrey Carter, to approve the requests. Motion passed unanimously.*

**REVIEW MEETING SCHEDULE:**

Mike Martin reviewed the schedule of upcoming meetings (page 32 in the packet).

**OTHER:**

Lorrie Carrey asked if the board was still considering a board retreat. Tom Godfrey suggested it be put off until spring.

**New Business:****FIRST DAY ENROLLMENTS:**

Chris Barry reviewed the first day enrollment numbers (page 33 in the packet).

**OTHER:**

Jim Lavery asked for information about the effect of Academy Seminar on student progress and performance. After a response from Mike Jette, the Curriculum Committee decided to discuss this issue.

**Manifests/Journal Entries to Sign:**

*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.

**Board Chairman's Report:**

Chairman Godfrey reported on meeting with Robin and the auditor and on learning how detailed and thorough the external audit process of our district is. He also reported on receiving a letter of engagement regarding an upcoming audit. Both the letter and the continually refined audit processes are providing increased scrutiny of our financial processes in order to comply with the NH RSA's.

**Assistant Superintendent's Report:**

Chris Barry updated the board on planning for the full-day kindergarten task force.

Jim Tremblay reported on iPad use at the high school.

Chris Barry summarized technology accomplishments over the past year and discussed technology advancements. Chris also recognized Lee Despres for his work on the website.

**Superintendent's Report:**

Mike Martin thanked board members for their kind remarks in the *Concord Monitor* article.

Mike discussed upcoming work.

**Public Participation:**

Ken Ross-Raymond, Salisbury resident, relayed a comment from his seven year old granddaughter and said the solution is letting teachers teach.

DeAna Irving expressed thoughts and concerns regarding the HS Culture and Climate Study.

Marcia Murphy asked if the minutes regarding bus conversion were accurate at \$63,000. Robin Heins responded that the cost to covert a gas engine to propane is \$6,300.

**See Non-Public Session Minutes.**

*Motion by Mark Hutchins, second by Normandie Blake, to go into non-public session at 9:37 p.m. in accordance with RSA 91-A: 3II (a) and (c) to discuss resignations and negotiations. Motion passed unanimously on a Roll Call Vote.*

*Roll Call: Caroletta Alicea, Normandie Blake, Lorrie Carey, Audrey Carter, Troy*

*Cowan, Thomas Godfrey, Mark Hutchins, Jim Lavery, Seelye Longnecker, Laura Vincent*

**Return to Public Session**

*Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Lorrie Carey, to go out of non-public session at 10:40 p.m. Motion passed.*

**Action from Non-Public Session if Needed**

Tom Godfrey reported that as board chair he would preside over meetings but would recuse himself from any discussion held in public or non-public session concerning teacher negotiations.

*Motion by Lorrie Carey, second by Mark Hutchins, to accept the resignation of Rebecca Liebal with penalty. Motion passed unanimously.*

*Motion by Laura Vincent, second by Mark Hutchins, to accept the resignation of Julia Hardy and waive the penalty due to special circumstances. Motion passed unanimously.*

**Adjournment.**

*Motion by Troy Cowan, second by Lorrie Carey, to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 10:42 p.m.*

*Respectfully submitted,  
Sally Welch, Clerk*

## Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — September 10, 2013

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

*Also present:* Fire Chief Rick Wright, Police Chief Bob Fiske and Road Agent Dave Rice.

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

*Selectman Bowles moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, September 3, 2013 as written. Seconded by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Motion carried.*

The Board met with Police Chief Bob Fiske.

Chief Fiske explained that the library had a smell in their water so Mr. Del Deo did a water test and it came with a small amount of bacteria in it. Chief Fiske said he will do another test at the Safety Building. The library, safety building and town offices have been asked to not drink the water until further notice.

Chief Fiske asked if the yellow lines on School Street, Village Road and Chichester Road are going to be painted this year. Dave Rice said it is the wrong time of the year to do it; they will wear off in the winter, they should get painted in the spring.

Chief Fiske said he met with the new FBI supervisor for this area.

Chief Fiske said he spoke to the town attorney about the memorandum of understanding today.

Chief Fiske said that as far as the Color Run it is still up in the air as to whether there will be two lanes for traffic or not.

Chief Fiske said that they were allotted six portable radios by the department of safety from a grant, there was another round of grant money and he is getting one more radio. The Board signed the paperwork for the grant.

Chief Fiske said he is bugging the state about beefing up the 106/Staniels Road intersection as much as possible. Chairman Krieger said that as a Select Board they should send a letter to the Governor requesting the same thing. Chief Fiske suggested the letter go directly to Commissioner Clemons. Selectman Ives said he spoke to Bob Landry and was told that conduits are already underground for traffic signals.

Selectman Ives discussed the fact that traffic was held up for 40 minutes for the

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Timberman Triathlon. Chief Fiske said they have a state permit. Selectman Ives said that the town's people and businesses don't get anything out of it except tied up traffic and wonders if it can be rerouted.

The Board met with Road Agent Dave Rice.

Mr. Rice said he met with the people that are running the gas main. He explained that next week they are going to try to bore under the river; if that can't be done the project won't move forward. Mr. Rice said the line will run from the Continental Asphalt plant, under the river at the end of Veteran's Drive, down the length of Veteran's Drive, across 106 to Josiah Bartlett Road.

Mr. Rice said that Andrew Stockwell is done on Friday. Chairman Krieger asked Mr. Rice to thank Andrew for his time and wish him the best. Selectman Ives asked what the plan is for replacing him. Mr. Rice said they will get an ad in the paper for an operator. Selectman Bowles also thanks Andrew for his time and said they are sorry to see him go.

Mr. Rice explained that he can't take his old pickup to the auction because it doesn't run. He said there is a yard in Belmont that will take the truck just the way it is; they don't have to drain all the fluids or do anything. He said they pay by weight. Mr. Rice said he took the tires off it because they will fit the new truck. He said they also have the old red ambulance that they converted; he thought they should take the body off it and get rid of it also. Selectman Bowles agreed that it should also go. Mr. Rice will check around and be sure that the place in Belmont will give them the most money for them. The Board agreed that they should go as soon as possible.

Mr. Rice said they have been working on the end of Lovejoy and Flagg Roads, replacing culverts and ditching.

Selectman Ives said that he drove Hemlock Hill and Plateau Ridge and it looks like they did a good job. Selectman Ives questioned the swale at the end of Hemlock onto 106. Mr. Rice said it was done by State specs.

Mr. Rice said they took a truck in because of an oil leak; the estimate is \$3500-4000 to fix it because they have to take the whole front of the motor apart.

The Board met with Fire Chief Rick Wright.

Chief Wright said that the work begins tomorrow on the dry hydrant.

Chief Wright said they had a fire alarm activation at Station 2 Monday morning. It was caused by water running into a detector from the mezzanine above. He explained that a domestic water expansion tank had expired. Chief said there is a furnace up there and a tank that holds hot water overflowed and got into a light and detector.

Chief Wright gave the Board the information for the lightning strike damage. He explained that the phone and fax machine have already been replaced. The Opticom hasn't been replaced yet. It is \$2800.00 new,

they will give him \$500.00 trade-in for the old one, and the new one comes with a 5 year warranty.

Chief Wright asked if they've have come up with a price for the old engine 2. Selectman Ives read from the value estimate that it should be priced between \$35,000.00-38,000.00. Selectman Bowles and Krieger agreed that \$38,000.00 is the number that they would start with. Chief Wright will present the price of \$38,000.00 to the Town of Chichester in writing.

Chief Wright said that flags will be lowered to half staff tomorrow in observance of 9/11; they will take care of it in the morning.

Chairman Krieger read the following aloud: *Notice of Public Hearing — Pursuant to RSA 31:95-b III, the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Loudon will hold a Public Hearing Tuesday, September 10, 2013, 6:00 P.M. at the Loudon Community Building, located behind the Town Offices, for the purpose of accepting Homeland Security Grant Monies and a donation to the Arthur E. McNeil/Raymond C. Cummings Memorial Scholarship Fund both in excess of \$5,000. Signed: Robert P. Krieger, Chairman Steven R. Ives, Selectman, Dustin J. Bowles, Selectman.* Chairman Krieger stated that the first check is from Bob and Sandy Bahre in the amount of \$100,000.00 for the scholarship fund. *Selectman Bowles made a motion to accept the \$100,000.00 from Bob and Sandy Bahre for the Arthur E. McNeil/Raymond C. Cummings Memorial Scholarship Fund. Seconded by Selectmen Ives. All in favor. Motion carried.* Selectman Bowles thanked the Bahre family for all they've done for the community including the scholarship. Selectman Ives said it's pretty amazing what they have done for the kids in town. Chairman Krieger concurred. Chairman Krieger stated that they have a check in the amount of \$139,500.00 for a 2010 Homeland Security Grant 97.078. *Selectman Ives made a motion to accept the check in the amount of \$139,500.00 for Homeland Security Grant 97.078. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.* Selectman Bowles thanked the Police Department for getting that grant through, it will be a plus for the community especially in dealing with traffic details. Chairman Krieger and Selectman Ives agreed.

*Selectman Ives moved to go into a non-public session per RSA 91-A: 3, II (a) at 6:36 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Bowles. Roll call vote: Krieger — yes; Ives — yes; Bowles — yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Bowles moved to come out of executive session at 6:53 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Ives. Roll call vote: Krieger — yes; Ives — yes; Bowles — yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Bowles made a motion to seal the minutes for five years because it is determined that divulgence of this information likely would affect adversely the reputation of any person other than a member of this board. Seconded by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Roll call vote: Krieger — yes; Ives — yes; Bowles — yes. Motion carries.*

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received an invitation from Mike Martin, Superintendent of Schools to a meeting between the Merrimack Valley School Board and the Selectmen and City Councilors of the School District on Wednesday, October 30, 2013 at the high school at 7:00 p.m.

The Board received a letter from the Community Loan Fund explaining that Lazy Pines Mobile Home Park is now a Cooperative and will be known as Presidential Pines Cooperative.

The Board received a NHAAO Election Ballot.

The Board received a check from NHMS for special duty pay.

The Board received a letter from residents of 36 Batchelder Road regarding Comcast.

The Board received an abutters notice from the Loudon Planning Board regarding the subdivision of Tax Map 11, Lot 12.

The Board received a Public Hearing notice from the Town of Warner ZBA regarding New Cingular Wireless.

The Board received a memo from the Office Manager. 1) Sansoucy's office will handle the Fairpoint interrogatories. 2) Roger Maxfield passed along his thanks to the Selectman for getting the War Memorial fixed up. 3) A resident requested a call from

a Selectman to discuss the town taking properties for unpaid taxes. 4) a resident stopped by the office to voice her concern again about a dead tree on town property that is a safety issue. Selectman Bowles will talk to Mr. Barton about taking the tree down.

The Board received the draft report from RPF Environmental regarding the tests at the Legion Building. Selectman Bowles said that tests show asbestos in the linoleum in the kitchen, foyer and by the bathrooms, it also shows up in the glue on the walls in the kitchen. Once they have the final report they will get someone certified in removing asbestos to take care of it.

The Board received and signed a copy of "Attachment A" to the agreement between Loudon and the Town of Chichester for the fire Engine lease.

The Board received miscellaneous correspondence.

*Selectman Ives moved to adjourn at 7:16 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.*

**LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

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

## Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — September 17, 2013

*Present:* Chairman Krieger and Selectman Ives.

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

*Selectman Ives moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, September 10, 2013 as written. Seconded by Chairman Krieger. All in favor. Motion carried.*

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received a copy of the camera memorandum of understanding for their review. Chairman Krieger and Selectman Ives said they are okay with it as long as the Town Attorney has reviewed it.

The Board received a copy of the highway dept. help wanted ad and job description for their review. Chairman Krieger said they will review the starting wage before advertising the position. They will ask Road Agent Dave Rice to attend next week's meeting to discuss the position before posting it.

The Board received a copy of the water test results and invoice for the Safety Complex. Chief Fiske will meet with Capital Well in the morning to discuss it. The Board agreed that if Selectman Bowles can attend the meeting he can make a decision on their behalf.

The Board received information from Primex regarding program options.

The Board received copies of the August property transfers.

The Board received a meeting schedule for community feedback regarding a new Merrimack Valley School District superintendent. There is a meeting at Loudon Elementary School on Tuesday, September 24, 2013 at 6:00.

The Board received a copy of an Order of Notice on Complaint regarding NHMS.

The Board received miscellaneous correspondence.

Chairman Krieger reminded the public that there is a race this weekend, traffic patterns will change so be aware.

Selectman Ives said that he attended a soccer game at the rec field this past weekend. He said it is nice to see all the people there supporting the kids, especially the coaches. Selectmen Ives stated that LYAA and a very dedicated group of volunteers do a good job. Chairman Krieger agreed.

*Selectman Ives moved to adjourn at 6:15 p.m. Seconded by Chairman Krieger. All in favor. Motion carried.*

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## Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — September 24, 2013

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

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

*Selectman Ives moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, September 17, 2013 as written. Seconded by Chairman Krieger. All in favor. Motion carried.*

Chairman Krieger explained that the next order of business would be to meet with department heads however; none are in attendance due to them being at the fire down the street.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received copies of the current expenditure report.

The Board received two letters from the Town Attorney regarding NHMS.

The Board received a signed "Attachment A" from the Town of Chichester regarding the Truck Lease insurance.

The Board received a memo regarding Highway Dept. Wages and a copy of the ad and job description for the highway dept. position for their review. The Board will review this information next week with the road agent.

The Board received a letter from Comcast stating that they will continue supplying free high-speed internet service to Loudon Schools and Library. The library does get free internet, Mr. Laliberte at the school says they do not and he will look into it.

The Board received a request to wrap the gazebo in pink the first week in October from Making Strides Against Breast Cancer. The Board agreed it could be done.

The Board received a copy of a thank you that Chief Fiske sent to all the participants of the UJOC. Chief Fiske also thanked Chief Rick Wright and Chief Dick Wright for assisting the Loudon Police by hosting the center in their building. Chairman Krieger thanked all the Chief's in town and everyone that assisted, it worked out very well. Selectman Ives said he was up there and Capital Area Coordinator Dick Wright pretty much takes charge of the Command Center while Fire Chief Rick Wright runs back and forth from there to the track.

The Board received an update on the water well for the town complex from Chief Fiske; he said the well has been chlorinated and will be retested in ten days.

Chief Fiske reminded the Board that this Saturday is the "Color Run" at NHMS.

The Board received a Letter of Intent from NHMS for the Renegade Playground on Oct. 12, 2013. Chairman Krieger said the only issue last year was the music and that has been taken care of. He said the Police Chief is all set with it and the Fire Department has been notified.

The Board received an article regarding NHMS racing under lights from Chief Fiske. Chairman Krieger said that it looks like they would like to move forward with a night race possibly in 2015. He spoke to Mr. Gappens today, they have to get NASCAR approval and they don't have that yet. If they get that they would like to come in to discuss it at a Selectmen's meeting. Selectman Bowles said that they need to keep the public informed, get their concerns and questions answered. Selectman Ives said it would take some adjustment for the Police and Fire Departments to deal with the night time. Selectman Ives reiterated that the Board does not say whether they have night racing or not, the covenants in 1989 from the court and on the deed said they can't have racing after 7:30 p.m. unless it's a

scheduled event that runs later than that. He said they can put the lights up anytime they want but they can only use them in an emergency situation at this point.

The Board received an article regarding the installation of the world's largest video screen at Texas Motor Speedway from Chief Fiske.

The Board received information from James R. St. Jean Auctioneers regarding the State of NH Surplus Auction on October 19, 2013.

The Board received a letter from Society for the Protection of NH Forests regarding Northern Pass Department of Energy Hearings.

## Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — October 1, 2013

*Present:* Chairman Krieger and Selectman Ives.

Also present was Fire Chief Rick Wright and Road Agent Dave Rice.

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

*Selectman Ives moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, September 24, 2013 as written. Seconded by Chairman Krieger. All in favor. Motion carried.*

The Board met with Fire Chief Rick Wright.

Chief Wright submitted a thank you letter. In the letter he commended the efforts of the Loudon Fire Department personnel and the Loudon Police Department Officers who worked together at the recent structure fire on School Street. He recognized parents picking up their children at the school and school personnel for spotting the fire, calling 911 and warning the occupant of the house of the fire. He recognized Police Corporal Robert Akerstrom, who was first on the scene, for helping Firefighters with the initial report of fire, location of the occupant, dragging fire hose and helping extinguish the fire. Chief Wright recognized Loudon Firefighters Mike Souther and Ed Dempsey for knocking down the fire in the ell of the building and working with many others to extinguish the fire in the barn. Deputy Chief Bill Lake, and Firefighters Jeff Cyr and Jonathan Leonard ran the Pumper Trucks that kept water flowing. Chief Wright stated that thru the combined efforts of the Fire and Police Departments and ten area Fire Departments the fire did not spread into the main portion of the house or nearby buildings in the neighborhood. He thanked all involved for a job well done. Chief Wright also thanked Road Agent Dave Rice for his assistance with the town excavator. Chairman Krieger expressed his thanks and pride for a town and departments that work so well together. Chief Wright said everything came together including the fact that the hydrant was working. He said that Mike Labonte, Mickey Mulkhey, and Russ Pearl worked on the hydrant; it was tested the week before and again the day of the fire at 2:00 p.m. and the fire call came in at 3:20 p.m. Selectman Ives said that having water that close certainly helped.

Chief Wright explained that they got the insurance money for the lightning damage. He got the new Opticom and will get DOT to install it.

The Board received a PSNH Disclosure Label.

The Board received a Wetlands Permit Application for Tax Map 61, Lot 2.

The Board received the following reminders:

Thursday, September 26, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. is the Loudon ZBA meeting.

Monday, September 30, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. is the GACIT (Governor's Advisory Commission on Intermodal Transportation) Public Hearing in the barn to review and receive input on the update of the State's Ten Year Transportation Improvement Plan (2015-2024).

Selectman Ives said that the Police and Fire Departments did an excellent job at the race. Selectman Bowles thanked everyone that was involved in making it go well.

Selectman Ives said that he spoke to new Deputy Fire Chief Bill Lake who has settled into his position and is very happy with the new job.

*Selectman Bowles moved to adjourn at 6:25 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Motion carried.*

### LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Robert P. Krieger, Chairman

Steven R. Ives, Selectman

Dustin J. Bowles, Selectman

Chief Wright explained that he and Deputy Chief Lake have interviewed several people for the Captain's position. Selectman Ives asked if he is going with one Captain for now. Chief Wright said two; one for Station 1 and one for Station 2 like they used to have.

Chief Wright said they flushed the dry hydrants at Beck Road and Piper Hill Road, they were fine. They have a two or three more to do.

Selectman Ives said that when he was at the UJOC during the September race he spoke with Dick Wright who asked if at some point they could put a conference table up where the storage area is for a command center. Selectman Ives said that way they wouldn't have to move the apparatus out. Chief Wright said there is a lot of stuff up there, he has already talked to the full-time guys about cleaning it out this fall, but there is the issue of only being one exit up there.

The Board met with Road Agent Dave Rice.

Mr. Rice explained that they have been grading and capping roads.

Mr. Rice said they are getting ready to get sand/salt ready for the winter.

Selectmen Ives said that recently he noticed how bad Voted Road is getting and suggested it get put on the list to be done. Mr. Rice agreed that both Voted and Country Hill need to be re-done. Mr. Rice said he would like to do Oak Hill because they are patching it every few weeks and then a few smaller roads.

Mr. Rice asked if the job ad is ready to go into the newspaper. Chairman Krieger explained that the before they put the ad in they want to talk about the salary. He has information regarding what the guys in the department are making; he also has infor-

mation from other Towns about what they pay. Chairman Krieger said in his opinion the pay is low in Loudon. Mr. Rice agreed, he said he would like to talk about the departments pay being raised next July. Chairman Krieger said if we're going to hire someone qualified the pay has to be right. Chairman Krieger said his goal is to look hard at this when we do budgets this year. Selectman Ives stated that he doesn't want to bring someone in at a pay rate that will upset the employees we have. Mr. Rice agreed. Chairman Krieger said that probation will be six months. Mr. Rice asked if he should wait for six months to order uniforms, they are a cost for the town. Selectman Ives suggested waiting until the end of the probation period especially considering the time of the year and the fact that the new person will be sitting in a truck plowing most of the time, he won't be out working beside the road. Chairman Krieger agreed. The Board agreed the ad is ready to go in the paper. Mr. Rice said he will look through the applications, talk to the applicants and when he has someone he thinks would work he will bring him in to meet with the Selectmen.

The Board discussed holding a CPR class for town employees.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received a letter and a check from PLT for the Fire Department insurance claim.

The Board received a letter and check in the amount of \$14,160.35 from the State of NH – Homeland Security & Emergency Management regarding the March 18, 2013 snow disaster.

The Board reviewed an invoice going to NHMS for Fire Department manpower for the September race.

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The Board received a copy of an invoice that went to NHMS for Police Department manpower for the September race.

The Board received a copy of an invoice that went to C.N. Brown for Police Department manpower for the September race.

The Board received a copy of a letter from NHDOT regarding the intersection of Staniels Rd. and Route 106 in response to a letter that Chief Wright wrote to NHDOT concerning the safety of the intersection.

The Board received a letter from the Conservation Commission regarding appointing a new member. Selectman Ives suggested that the paperwork be held until next week so that all three Selectmen can sign the appointment paper.

The Board received a letter from Upton & Hatfield regarding *Moser & Jones v Loudon*.

The Board received a memo from Upton & Hatfield regarding Fairpoint.

The Board received a draft budget memo for their review. The Board agreed the November 14th will be the deadline for department heads and committee chairpersons to submit their annual budget requests.

The Board received a memo from Brenda regarding a road bond.

The Board received a letter from a resident regarding opposition to night racing at NHMS.

The Board received a letter from a resident regarding Comcast availability. The resident asked for the Board's help in getting Comcast coverage in the entire town.

The Board received a letter from a resident regarding content in the *Loudon Ledger*.

The Board received a letter from NHPUC regarding a Pipeline beneath the Soucook River.

The Board received EMSI's self-report for August 2013.

The Board received information from Chief Fiske regarding Miles Smith Farm Day on October 13, 2013 from 10 a.m.–4 p.m.

The Board received a letter from Xfinity regarding reactivation fees.

The Board received a public notice from Town of Hopkinton regarding a Wireless Tower.

The Board received a Town of Warner, ZBA Balloon Test Notice.

The Board received a letter from Community Development Finance Development regarding Planning Grant Funds.

The Board received Liberty Utilities Fixed price option information.

The Board received NH Federal Credit Union Fall Festival information.

The Board received miscellaneous correspondence.

**Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — October 8, 2013**

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

Also present was Fire Chief Rick Wright, Police Chief Bob Fiske and ZBA Chairman Dave Powelson.

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

Chairman Krieger opened the Board of Permit.

Chief Fiske explained that the Loudon Food Pantry will be holding a 50/50 raffle with Huckleberry Heating Oil from November 1–December 13, 2013. Chief Fiske asked that the fee be waived to be consistent with previous years. All Selectmen and Mr. Powelson agreed to waive the fee.

Chief Fiske stated that the new owners of 113 Lesmerises Road asked if an in-law apartment is permissible. Chief Fiske told them no. Chief Fiske said a building permit was given a few years ago for a garage which evidently has been converted. He got a call from an attorney who asked what can

be done. Chief Fiske explained to him that it's not permitted, they don't have the minimum footage or acreage for a duplex and the only possibility would be to get a variance from the Zoning Board. Mr. Powelson said they have been talking with Donna also.

Chairman Krieger closed the Board of Permit.

*Selectman Ives moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, October 1, 2013 as written. Seconded by Chairman Krieger. All in favor. Motion carried.*

The Board met with Fire Chief Rick Wright.

Chief Wright updated the Board on Loudon Engine Two that Chichester is leasing. He said that their number one plan is to fix their engine; plan two is to buy a replacement which may be ours or may be something else. Selectman Ives asked when the lease agreement runs out. Chief Wright said it started in September and is for six months.

Chief Wright said that they replaced Ambulance One's tires today.

Chief Wright said that making Fire Department ID cards will take place tomorrow through next Tuesday.

The new Opticom has been installed and is working at 106/129.

Chief Wright said that Brian Searles and Richard Edgecomb are the new Fire Captains. Selectman Ives asked who is Captain of which station. Chief Wright said Brian is Captain of Station One and Rich is Captain of Station Two.

Chief Wright said they completed the flushing and testing of all the dry hydrants in town last week.

Chief Wright spoke Deputy Lake about CPR training for town employees. Chairman Krieger asked Chief Wright to speak to the office manager about setting up a time for that. Chairman Krieger asked Chief Fiske if his department is all set with that. He said he is. Chairman Krieger said he wants the library to be invited to participate also. Chairman Krieger said that he would like to see something setup in the spring to offer a class to the public. Selectman Ives agreed that it would be a good public relations event for the Fire Department.

The Board met with Police Chief Bob Fiske.

Chief Fiske submitted a copy of the well water test results; everything is good.

Chief Fiske explained that their file room is jammed full of files, they don't have room for anymore. Other than a storage container he doesn't know what else can be done. Chairman Krieger asked about the storage at the dump, Chief Fiske said it is not waterproof. Chief Fiske said he looked into a container like the one at the town office. Chairman Krieger asked where he would put it. Chief Fiske said he doesn't know. Chief Fiske said he doesn't know how far back the property goes behind his gas tank. Selectman Ives suggested that for now it could go beside the one at the town office. Selectmen Bowles asked how soon he needs one. Chief Fiske said before snow flies so they can get the stuff moved. Chairman Krieger asked if it would work to have it over next to the one at the town office. Chief Fiske said it would and in his opinion it would look better to have them side by side rather than spread out. Chairman Krieger explained that the hope is to build a basement big enough to store all the town files in the new building. Chief Fiske asked about the new building. Selectman Bowles

said they have the final asbestos report; they will get that taken care of and are scheduled to start taking the building apart the first of December. Selectman Ives said that there is a glitch in moving the tank to Whitefield. It may go somewhere else; the Government has a list of who gets those things and Whitefield may not be high enough on the list. Chairman Krieger said they need to get a committee together to get the new building designed. Chief Fiske asked if they intend to have a plan ready for town meeting. Chairman Krieger said he hopes so.

Chairman Krieger asked how the Color Run went last weekend. Chief Fiske said better than expected.

*Selectman Ives made a motion to appoint Virginia Lamberton to the Loudon Conservation Commission, the appointment to expire March 31, 2016. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.*

*Selectman Ives moved to go into a non-public session per RSA 91-A: 3, II (c) at 6:28 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Bowles. Roll call vote: Krieger – yes; Ives – yes; Bowles – yes. All in favor. Motion carries. Selectman Bowles made a motion to seal the minutes for five years because it is determined that divulgence of this information likely would affect adversely the reputation of any person other than a member of this board. Seconded by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Roll call vote: Krieger – yes; Ives – yes; Bowles – yes. Motion carries. Selectman Ives moved to come out of executive session at 6:46 p.m.; seconded by Selectman Bowles. Roll call vote: Krieger – yes; Ives – yes; Bowles – yes. All in favor. Motion carries.*

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received the 2013 Tax Apportionment for Loudon from the County of Merrimack in the amount of \$1,481,901.

The Board received a letter from the Town Attorney regarding the Fortier case.

The Board received a letter from the Town Attorney regarding Fairpoint.

The Board received copies of the RPF Environmental Report for the Legion building. Chairman Krieger suggested that they move forward quickly to get the asbestos removed. Selectman Ives will contact someone for names of people that can do the mitigation.

The Board received a letter from PLT regarding their annual meeting on December 10, 2013.

The Board received a check from Chichester for the truck lease and truck insurance.

The Board received a memo from Brenda regarding Hardy Road taxes.

The Board received a proof for the Town of Loudon Road Map that is being done by Community Publications.

The Board received miscellaneous correspondence.

The Board received the following reminders:

Thursday, October 10, 2013 at 1:15 is a TCP meeting.

Thursday & Friday, October 10 & 11 are the days to drop off items for the State of NH Surplus Auction to be held October 19th.

*Selectman Bowles moved to adjourn at 7:02 P.M. Seconded by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Motion carried.*

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## Planning Board Meeting Minutes — September 19, 2013

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

### Attendance:

Chairman Tom Dow, Tom Moore, Bob Cole, Ex-Officio Dustin Bowles, and alternate Bob Ordway

Bob Butler represented the Conservation Commission.

Bob Ordway was appointed as a voting member in the absence of other members.

### Acceptance of Minutes:

**August 15, 2013 Regular Meeting** — Tom Moore moved to accept the minutes as presented; seconded by Dustin Bowles. All were in favor.

### Discussion:

Steve Chabot of Keach-Nordstrom spoke to the Board about the gas main extension project discussed earlier this year. He said the plan was to cross the Soucook River but they have been unable to cross under the river at ten different paths. That plan will be abandoned for now but Continental wants to explore another method. Mr. Chabot said an alternative plan is to cross under Route 106, go down Staniels Road, crossing the river at the bridge, to the old Bailey Road by Landry field, and cross country down the side of the Continental property where it would connect at the point the original route was to cross the river. He said this would run about 8700' rather than the original 4600'. Bob Cole noted that the majority of the distance is on Continental's property. Mr. Chabot said it is largely on their property. Bob Ordway asked how far under the river they have gone. Mr. Chabot said the boring contractor was hitting ledge at 15' and boulders at 10' and 14'. He explained that they have a permit for a 100' wide area and have been working in that area. He said the pipeline would be suspended from the bridge on Staniels to cross the river, and the line would be buried along the rest of the route 36" from the top of the pipe to finish grade. Mr. Chabot and Chairman Dow have talked with Road Agent Dave Rice about this plan. The Board thanked Mr. Chabot for the information and agreed this looks like a good alternative.

### New Business:

**Application #13-13, Paul & Mary Nichols** — Lot Line Adjustment on Loudon Ridge Road in the AFP District, Map 65, Lot 6 & Map 66, Lot 8. Web Stout of FWS Land Surveying represented the applicants. The applicants and abutter Deirdre Ryan were present.

Mr. Stout explained the location of the properties and the plan to adjust the lot line between the two pieces. Lot 8 would have six acres and the existing house and Lot 6 would have 16.8 acres after the adjustment. Mr. Stout explained that the applicants were granted a special exception for reduced side setback at 5' for the driveway on the existing house lot. He said the actual distance ends up being 12' from the line. Mr. Stout pointed out that Lot 6 is currently a non-conforming lot because of the frontage being less than required by today's standards for the AFP District. He noted that they will be adding 27' to the current frontage, for a total of 347', therefore making it less non-conforming. There were no questions from the abutter.

Bob Cole moved to accept the application as complete and move to public hearing; seconded by Tom Moore. All were in favor. Tom Moore asked if there are any pins set at the back. Mr. Stout stated that there are pipes at the corners of the wall. He explained that he did not go around the whole back as it had already been surveyed, and he did the survey tied to monumentation and there are pipes at the corners.

Chairman Dow read a request for waiver of Section 14.4.7. Bob Ordway made a motion to grant the request for waiver; seconded by Tom Moore. All were in favor. Chairman Dow closed the hearing to the public and opened it to the Board only. He said this looks like a simple lot line adjustment, pretty standard. Bob Ordway moved to approve the lot line adjustment; seconded by Bob Cole. All were in favor.

**Application #13-14, Ernest & Lisa Mills** — Lot Line Adjustment/Minor Subdivision on Old Shaker Road in the RR District, Map 47, Lots 12 & 20. Web Stout of FWS Land Surveying represented the applicants. Lisa Mills was present; there were no abutters present.

Mr. Stout explained that these are two existing lots on Old Shaker Road, Lot 20 with approximately 17.4 acres and Lot 12 with 20.7 acres. Lot 20 is landlocked. He said the proposal is to eliminate a lot line, giving Lot 20 frontage on Old Shaker Road. Mr. Stout informed the Board that the ZBA approved special exceptions in 2008 for the driveways to pass through wetland buffers. He said one lot will need a wetland crossing. Mr. Stout explained that he spoke with the engineer earlier today and should have the information tomorrow, ready to be submitted. State subdivision approval is needed for proposed Lot 12-1 because it is less than five acres. Mr. Stout said DES wants the wetlands permit first; he will talk with them about this. He pointed out that the wetlands have been delineated, topo, soils test pits, slopes, and wells, etc have all been done and/or are shown. Mr. Stout asked Mr. Butler when the Conservation Commission would next meet. Mr. Butler said it would be October 7th. Mr. Stout will contact Julie Robinson about meeting with them.

Mr. Stout stated that there will be no Lot 12 left. He said he based the proposed lot numbers on the ZBA approval for proposed Lot 12-2. Donna will talk with the town's assessor about numbers for the two lots. Bob Cole moved to accept the application as complete and move to public hearing; seconded by Dustin Bowles. All were in favor. Mr. Stout went through the area synopsis. He will make a correction to the contiguous area for Lot 20.

Chairman Dow said the Board would want to do a site walk with the Conservation Commission. It was agreed to do a site walk on October 10, 2013 at 4:00 p.m. Mr. Butler will convey this information to the Commission. Donna will forward the ZBA approvals for this property to the Conservation Commission. The Board reviewed the plan; there was general discussion. Dustin Bowles made a motion to continue to the site walk on October 10, 2013 at 4:00 p.m. and then to the next meeting on October 17, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.; seconded by Bob Cole. All were in favor. There will be no further notification.

**Application #13-15, Debra Rattee** — Minor Subdivision on School Street in the RR District, Map 38, Lot 27. Chairman Dow read a letter for continuance from Jeff Green, the applicant's representative. Tom Moore made a motion to continue the application to October 17, 2013, 7:00 p.m. at the Community Building; seconded by Bob Ordway. All were in favor. There will be no further notification.

**Application #13-16, Inisfree Investments** — Major Subdivision on Chichester Road in the RR District, Map 11, Lot 12. Chairman Dow read a letter for continuance

from Jeff Green, the applicant's representative. Tom Moore made a motion to continue the application to October 17, 2013, 7:00 p.m. at the Community Building; seconded by Bob Cole. All were in favor. There will be no further notification.

### Board Discussion:

**MP Transportation sub-committee report** — Tom Moore reported that the final draft of the chapter was emailed to Board members. He reviewed the impact fee spreadsheet that Donna updated to Excel. Tom said that Ruairi O'Mahony could set up a meeting with Steve Henniger to discuss impact fees; he said he is not sure it is necessary and that the group can decide if the fee structure is still in line. Donna has talked with Dave Rice about current road construction costs; Dave will get back to her with some numbers. Those will be plugged into the Excel formulas and then distributed for review. Bob Cole said he could show the current numbers to Steve Henniger for his thoughts. It was agreed to keep it simple and update as needed.

**Location of water supply** — An inquiry was recently received from the fire department with regard to the location of water supply on subdivision plans. It was agreed that the surveyor/engineer should note the location on the plans and the fire department should confirm what is on the plan. Donna will add the item to the subdivision checklist.

**Waiver request form** — Donna asked if the Board would like to use an itemized form for waiver requests for uniformity. Board members felt the individual letters requesting waivers is sufficient. It was agreed that members would like to have an itemized checklist on-hand when reviewing plans.

**PVG/NEFF appeal** — Donna informed the Board that an appeal has been filed on the Board's decision for New England Flower Farms site plan. All requested information has been delivered to the town attorney's office.

**GACIT hearing** — Donna will get the hearing information out to Board members.

### Report of the ZBA:

There are two applications for special exceptions/reduced setbacks on the agenda for this month.

### Report of the Board of Permit:

There was no meeting this month.

### Adjournment:

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

Submitted by,

Donna White  
Administrative Assistant



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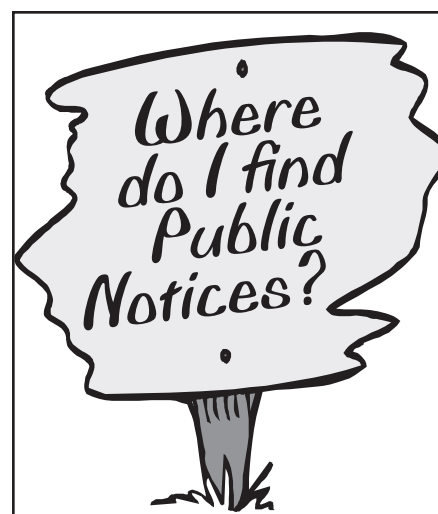
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## Zoning Board of Adjustment Meeting Minutes — September 26, 2013

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

### ROLL CALL

The following members were present: Chairman Dave Powelson, Roy Merrill, Vice Chairman Ned Lizotte, Earl Tuson, and alternate Jim Venne.

Jim Venne was appointed as a voting member in the absence of Howard Pearl.

### ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

**Regular Hearing** — Earl Tuson noted that a change was needed on page 7, midway through the first paragraph, the title should be “alms” house, not “homeless” house. Roy Merrill made a motion to approve the minutes of July 25, 2013 with that correction; seconded by Earl Tuson. All were in favor.

### PUBLIC HEARING

**Application #Z13-18, Theresa Batchelder — Special Exception for Reduced**

**Front Setback, RR District, Map 38 Lot 1 on School Street.** There were no abutters present. Ms. Batchelder explained the location of her house and that she wants to have a carport put on the driveway side of the house so she can come out of the porch to a covered area. She stated that she has a walking disability and finds it too hard to have to keep the ramp at the rear of the house cleared and safe. She explained that the house is close to the road therefore she needs a reduction of the front setback. The Board reviewed the sketch and property card submitted with the application. Chairman Powelson went through the points of the application with Ms. Batchelder. He asked if there were any questions from the Board. Ned Lizotte said it makes good sense to have protection from the weather. Ms. Batchelder said the carport suits her needs and she does not want a garage further back on the property. Jim Venne stated that the Board just had to determine the actual set-

back. He asked about the distance from the front of the house to the front of the carport. Ms. Batchelder said she was not sure as the sketch is not to scale. There was discussion about the measurement of the front setback and where it was taken from. Ned Lizotte made a motion to approve the proposal as submitted with the stipulation that the setback of the carport be no closer to the road than the front of the house; seconded by Earl Tuson. A roll vote was taken: Jim Venne — yes; Roy Merrill — yes; Dave Powelson — yes; Ned Lizotte — yes; Earl Tuson — yes. Unanimous — PASSED.

**Application #Z13-19, Stuart Page — Special Exception for Reduced Front Setback, AFP District, Map 54, Lot 8 on Lower Ridge Road.** There were no abutters present. Chairman Powelson read a note from the applicant requesting that the application be withdrawn. Roy Merrill moved to accept the withdrawal; seconded by Earl Tuson. All were in favor.

### BOARD DISCUSSION

Jim asked about the new RSA regarding variances. There was brief discussion about the expiration of a variance if not put into use within two years. Donna will do further research. It was asked if this change should be noted in the Zoning Ordinance or on variance applications.

There was discussion about the public hearing procedure and the redundancy of some questions on the special exception application. The process will be reviewed and discussed further.

### ADJOURNMENT

Earl Tuson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:47 p.m.; seconded by Ned Lizotte. All were in favor.

Submitted by:  
Donna White, Administrative Assistant

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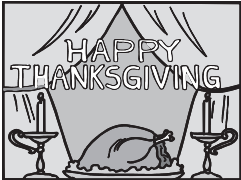
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<p>3</p> <p>DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS</p> <p>12-3pm•Fine Art Show &amp; Sale @ Library (12-3 on Sunday)</p>	<p>4</p> <p>4pm•Library Trustees</p> <p>6pm•Yoga @ Library</p> <p>6:30pm•Happy Hill 4-H Club @ Congregational Church</p> <p>7-8pm•Zumba @ LES</p> <p>7:15pm•MVSD School Board @ MVHS</p>	<p>5</p> <p>10:30am•Storytime @ Library</p> <p>1pm•Yoga @ Library</p> <p>6pm•Selectmen's Meeting @ Com. Bldg.</p> <p>7pm•Lions Club @ Library</p>	<p>6</p> <p>2pm•Storytime @ Library</p> <p>2-4pm•Art Time @ Library</p> <p>6pm•Daisies @ Library</p> <p>6:30pm•Loudon Fire Dept. Auxiliary</p> <p>7pm•Village Arts Group @ Library</p> <p>7pm•Sit 'n Stitch @ Library</p> <p>7pm•Historical Society</p>	<p>7</p> <p>10:30am•Storytime @ Library</p> <p>11am•Low-Impact Yoga @ Library</p> <p>6pm•Yoga @ Library</p> <p>6pm•PTA @ LES</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9</p> <p>4:30-6:30pm•Free Community Dinner @ Family Bible Church</p>
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