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Long-Time Fire Chief Dick Wright Retires



Chief Richard E. Wright arrives at his retirement celebration on August 16, 2014.

n August 16, 2014 the long career of Fire Chief Richard DE. Wright was celebrated as it came to an end with his retirement on June 14, 2014 as the first chief of the Capitol Area Fire Compact. In addition, he had served as Loudon's fire chief for many years.

Richard Edward Wright was born in Concord, New Hampshire on October 25, 1932 to Edith and Frank Wright. He had two older brothers, Robert (Bob) and John (Jack).



In the 1930s, Dick's mother would gather up her three sons to go watch the big fires being put out in Concord. Dick, being the youngest, would sometimes watch the fires from his baby stroller.

At age 11, Dick had a newspaper delivery route in downtown Concord. One of his daily stops was at Concord Central Fire Station, which was then located at 44 Warren Street. Dick would run errands for the firefighters and was proudly appointed Errand Boy #1.

At age 12, Dick unofficially started going on fire calls with the Concord Fire Department. When he would hear the sirens sounding, day or night, he would ride his bike from his home on Pine Street to Central Station. The firefighters would let him ride with them to the fires...hidden, of course!

Growing up, Dick spent his summers on Locke's Island, Lake Winnipesaukee, at his family's cottage. He met his future wife, Jean, there when they were 15 years old. Her family lived in the cottage next door.

Dick continued to respond to fire calls as a volunteer during his high school years. He graduated from Concord High School in 1950 and then worked for the Rumford Press in Concord.

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Mission Statement...

retirement celebration.

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

Town of Loudon Office Hours Selectmen's Office

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

Town Clerk

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

Planning/Zoning Board

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

Tax Collector

PO Box 7844 • 798-4543 • taxcollector@loudonnh.org Tues.: 3 p.m.-9 p.m. • Wed.-Thurs.: 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Police Department: Emergencies: 911

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

Code Enforcement

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

Fire Department: Emergencies: 911

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

Loudon Elementary School

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

Transfer Station

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

Highway Department

Road Agent: David Rice • 783-4568 • selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org Mon.-Fri.: 7 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Maxfield Public Library

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

John O. Cate Memorial Van

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

Loudon Food Pantry

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

Loudon Representatives

Merrimack County — District 9 Priscilla P. Lockwood: PO Box 1, Canterbury, NH 03224-0001 Howard M. Moffett: 66 Cogswell Rd., Canterbury, NH 03224-2011

Merrimack County — District 26 Lorrie J. Carey: 151 King St., Boscawen, NH 03303-2107 Senators — District 17

John Reagan: 53 Mt. Delight Rd., Deerfield, NH 0303-1304

Loudon Ledger Submission Policy

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

"The Loudon Ledger" 2014 Schedule

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February 2014 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 1/17 Council Meeting: Tues. 1/21

March 2014 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 2/14 Council Meeting: Tues. 2/18

April 2014 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 3/21 Council Meeting: Tues. 3/25

May 2014 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 4/18 Council Meeting: Tues. 4/22

June 2014 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 5/16 Council Meeting: Tues. 5/20

July 2014 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 6/20 Council Meeting: Tues. 6/24

August 2014 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 7/18 Council Meeting: Tues. 7/22

September 2014 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 8/15 Council Meeting: Tues. 8/19

October 2014 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 9/19 Council Meeting: Tues. 9/23

November 2014 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 10/17 Council Meeting: Tues. 10/21

December 2014 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 11/14 Council Meeting: Tues. 11/18

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All editorial submissions are approved by the Council before publication. Advertising: Samantha French — 738-0232 / <u>pixiepie05@comcast.net</u>

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

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October 2014

Where to Worship in Loudon

Faith Community Bible Church

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 11:00 a.m. (Nursery provided.) Sunday School Classes: 9:30–10:30 a.m.
Children's Worship: Bible Explorers for ages 3 up to 5th Grade Youth Group for Grades 6–12: Sundays 6:00 p.m.
Bible Study: Thurs. 9:30 a.m. (3⁸⁰ Thursday of the month, meets at noon) FCBC also has ministries for Men, Women, and Seniors.

 Family Bible Church

 "Where Everybody is Somebody and You Can Find Hope"

 Steve Ludwick, Lead Pastor

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

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

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

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

 Fellowship time provided following the morning service.

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

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

 Home Life Groups: Wednesday Morning — Senior Ladies Group

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

 FREE Monthly Community Dinners: 2ND Saturday of every month, 4:30–6:30 p.m.

Landmark Baptist Church Independent, Biblical, Caring Pastor Paul J. Clow 103 Chichester Road, Loudon, NH 03307 • 798-3818 • www.landmarkbaptistchurchnh.info Sunday School and Bible Classes for all ages: 9:30 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship Service (Jr. Church Provided): 10:30 a.m. Sunday Evening Worship: 6 p.m. Wednesday Evening Service: 7 p.m. (Nursery provided for all services.) Please visit our website for more information!

Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church Rev. John Young is currently serving as Pulpit Supply Minister 433 Clough Hill Road. Mailing address: P.O. Box 7852, Loudon, NH 03307 Member of the American Baptist Churches of VT/NH (Lakes Area Association) Sunday Worship Service: 9:30 a.m.

For information on upcoming events, please contact Sam Langley, Fellowship Coordinator, at 848-3724 (days) or 796-2194 (evenings).

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 (<u>www.ccccusa.org</u>).

New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene Senior Pastor Rev. Joshua T. Johnson

 Youth Pastor Brian Bollinger
 33 Staniels Rd, Loudon NH 03307 • Ph: 224-1311 • Office Hours: 9–2, Mon.–Fri. office.LNBnazarene@gmail.com • www.LNBnazarene.org
 Sundays: Sunday School & Adult Bible Studies: 9:15 a.m.
 Worship: 10:30 a.m. (Childcare provided for Infants-3-year-olds.) Jr: Kids Church (3-year-olds-Kindergarteners.) Children's Church (Grades 1–4)
 Tuesdays: Early Youth Group (Grades 5–6). 6:30–8 p.m. Brian & Jill Bollinger: 267-1744 Wednesdays: Youth Group (Grades 7–12). 6:30–8:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study with Pastor Josh: 7–8 p.m. Kids Time (Grades 1–6). 7–8 p.m.
 Other: Once a month will also have events for men, women, adults, and seniors (50+) called OASIS. Please visit our website or call the church office for details.

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

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LOUDON CHURCH NEWS Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church

On Sunday, Sept. 24th, we celebrated our 235th Birthday, with prayer, music, and fellowship. Over 100 members and guests enjoyed a wonderful assortment of refreshments. Deacon Henry A. Welch began the celebration by reading a congratulations letter from Governor Maggie Hassan. After the beautiful cake was cut by Reverend John M. Young, our current pastor, Reverend Dale Edwards, Head of the American Baptist Churches of Vermont & New Hampshire, and Reverend James Smith, Placement Consultant for the ABC and pastor of Belmont Baptist Church, presented Deacon Henry A. Welch with a plaque honoring the church for its 235 years of service and fellowship. Lively entertainment was provided by *Mid-dle River Gospel Group* of Springfield, VT, *A Joyful Noyes* of Athens VT, Ms. Amanda Stickney of Manchester, NH, and Mr. Don Smith of Epsom, NH.

Looking ahead in this year of celebration, we are swiftly moving towards our Annual Craft/Vendor Fair and Bake Sale to be held on Saturday, Oct. 25th, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. We continue to enjoy our Monthly Fellowship Suppers and Concerts on the third Saturday of each month. This fall and winter we are blessed to have a great schedule including on Oct. 18th, Carolyn Hutton and the country gospel group *Drowned Valley*; Nov. 15th, Diana and Harold Muzzey with the *Home Folks*; and on Jan 17th, Mr. Don Smith. The suppers are free, though a "Love Offering" will be taken. Sunday Worship Services are held at 9:30 a.m. We welcome all friends and visitors.





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Loudon Fire Dept. HARVEST SUPPER

Saturday, Oct. 18, 2014 5–7 p.m. \$12.00-Adults \$10.00-Seniors (65+) \$8.00-Children under 12

To donate Pies, Cider or Milk please call Tom Henley — 748-0789 or Brian Searles — 491-5599

FREE COMMUNITY DINNER

SATURDAY, OCT. 11, 2014 Serving dinner at 4:30-6:30 PM The Family Bible Church

676 Loudon Ridge Road Loudon, NH 03307

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

EVERYONE IS WELCOME IT IS OUR PLEASURE TO SERVE YOU

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

Candidate Forum: October 16

A newly-formed committee of Loudon residents will host an evening forum for all candidates for offices of State Senate District 17, State Representative Districts 9 and 26, as well as Executive Council District 4. All Democratic and Republican candidates will be invited to attend.

The forum will be held on Thursday, October 16 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church, 433 Clough Hill Road. Mr. Robert Krieger, Loudon Selectman, will serve as moderator.

We hope you will take advantage of this opportunity to familiarize yourself with the candidates. Each candidate will speak for a few minutes regarding their thoughts and positions on various issues and the audience will be given the chance to ask questions.

Mark you calendar for this important event.

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Dick and Jean were married in 1952. They raised their children, Rick and Gina, in Concord. They enjoyed 54 years of marriage, until Jean's passing in 2006.

Dick entered the United States Army in 1953 and served in Germany for two years. After that, he worked for the Rumford Press at their New York City sales office. In 1956, Dick returned to work at the Rumford Press in Concord.

In 1957, Dick joined the Concord Fire Department as a call firefighter. From 1963 to 1970, Dick worked as a full-time Concord firefighter. During these years, he also worked part-time at Wright Communications in the two-way radio business. From 1970 to 1989, Dick worked at Wright Communications, along with his brothers, on a full-time basis. During these years he continued to respond as a call firefighter for the Concord Fire Department.

In 1973, Dick was appointed as the volunteer Chief Coordinator of the Capital Area Fire Compact. He was hired to fulfill the full-time position in 1989.

Dick and Jean moved to Loudon in 1979. Dick joined the Loudon Fire Department that year. He served as the Loudon Fire Chief from 1994 to 2004 and then again from 2011 to 2013.

Dick retired as Chief Coordinator of the Capital Area Mutual Aid Fire Compact on June 14, 2014. His dedication to the fire service has truly spanned a lifetime.

At his retirement celebration, Chief Wright was awarded many honors by a number of associations and departments he'd worked with through the years. They filled an entire table top!



Farm Day At Miles Smith Farm — A Family Event That Squeals With Fun

Sunday, October 12, 2014 — Featuring New Hampshire Farms Network

It's the perfect fall family event to create memories, meet new friends, and keep farming alive!

Local foods. Local vendors. Local fun. That's what the upcoming Farm Day at Miles Smith Farm will provide — and so much more! Meet Charlotte the pig, Angus the rabbit or visit with the farm's mini donkeys. Meet local farmers at the Farmers' Market area.

Cow riding? Ever hear of it? It is true; your child can ride a friendly and welltrained Scottish Highlander cow. This is a chance of a lifetime for young cowboys and cowgirls!

And these are just some of the many activities planned for the Seventh Annual Miles Smith Farm Day on Sunday, October 12th from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at at the 36-acre, 150 year old farm at 56 Whitehouse Road, Loudon.. The rain date is October 13th. Admission is free with a fee for some activities. Enjoy spectacular fall foliage as you take a hayride around the farm and feed apples to Scottish Highlander cattle while listening to music provided by Celtic musicians or snuggle with Charlotte's piglets. The Human Scarecrow (Linda Ray from Clover Clown Company) will add to the fun. Lunch can be purchased in the food tent.

Throughout the day, Miles Smith, farm founder, returns from the 1850's to guide visitors on a cemetery walk and to talk about the farm history. Visitors will be able to pet, brush, and feed Highlander cattle, enjoy face painting, and participate in fun activities designed for kids.

Farm Day 2014 sponsors to date include Harry-O Electrical, Tasker Landscaping, Concord Co-op, Chiropractic Health Innovations, and private party contributions.

Mark your calendars for this event at Miles Smith Farm, Sunday, October 12th from10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information or directions, contact the farm at 603-783-5159 or visit www.milessmithfarm.com.



New Email Addresses For Town Office Personnel

General Selectmen's Office: selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org

Brenda Pearl, Office Manager: bpearl@loudonnh.org Bonnie Theriault, Office Assistant: btheriault@loudonnh.org Planning/Zoning Office: planning-zoning@loudonnh.org

Assessor: assessor@loudonnh.org

Tax Collector: taxcollector@loudonnh.org

Town Clerk: townclerk@loudonnh.org

Highway Department: selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org

Transfer Station: selectmensoffice@loudonnh.org

ATTENTION ADVERTISERS!

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

Halloween Party To Benefit Food Pantry To Be Hosted By Loudon Scout Groups

The Loudon Food Pantry will be the beneficiary of a Halloween Party for Loudon kids K–5th grade on Friday, October 17 from 6 to 8 p.m. This event is hosted by the Girl Scouts, Cub Scouts, and Boy Scouts of Loudon.

There will be all kinds of games for kids to play to earn tickets and candy. There will also be crafts, a fortune teller, and a haunted house. This is a charitable event to raise food and money for the Loudon Food Pantry. The party will be held at the Elementary School and the price of admission is 3 FOOD ITEMS per child (minimum). The more FOOD ITEMS a child brings, the more tickets will be earned to use toward prizes from the prize table! Each food item earns a ticket. An adult needs to be present with the child at the party. There will be a concession stand selling pizza, baked goods, and soft drinks. All proceeds go to the Loudon Food Pantry.

Loudon Food Pantry is an independent non-profit organization that strives to feed those who find it financially difficult to feed themselves. Anyone who qualifies and lives in the towns of Belmont, Canterbury, Chichester, Epsom, and Loudon can come to the pantry. The Pantry serves 80–100 families per week, 3 meals per day for 3 days a week (9 meals) per person. It operates largely on volunteer hours and the generosity of donations. The Loudon Food Pantry is in dire need for funds to pay operating expenses and purchase food.

Food Pantry Immediate Needs

Breakfast Items (cereal, eggs, pancake mixes, etc.) Tomato Products (tomato sauce, diced, crushed,

pureed tomatoes, etc.) Spaghetti Sauce Baked Beans Fruit — canned or fresh Jellies, Jams, etc. Vegetables — canned or fresh Macaroni and Cheese Pasta Rice Snacks (crackers, cookies, etc.) Peanut Butter Mashed Potatoes Canned Meats (Chili, hash, chicken, turkey, etc.) Meat (fresh or frozen) Soups (condensed, hearty, etc) Beverages (juice, etc., no soda, tonic or energy drinks) Pet Food (dog, cat, etc.) **Toilet Paper** Diapers and Wipes Feminine Hygiene Products Clothes Detergent **Dish Detergent**

The 6th Annual Big

House Craft Show

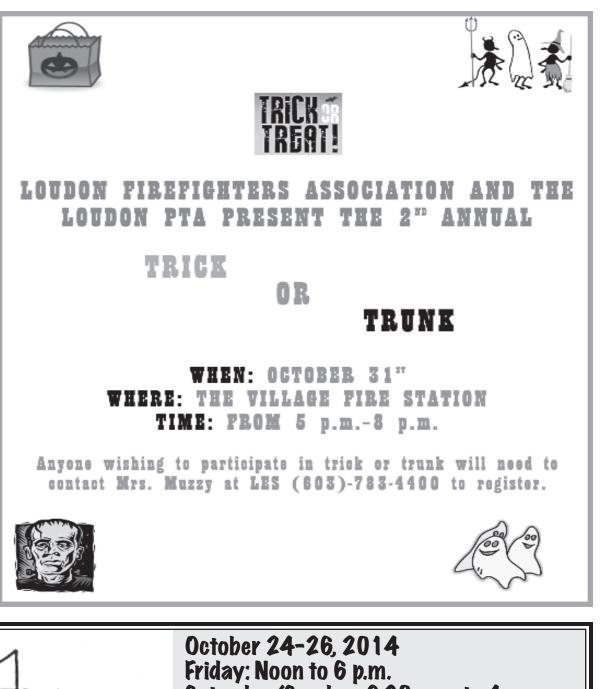
Would you like to help?

There are a number of ways to help out with this town event:

- Donate your **TIME** on 10/17 from 5:30–8:30 p.m. We could always use more volunteers helping with the prize tables, concession stand or running games.
- Donate **bags of candy** that are *unopened* and have *individually-wrapped candy* inside.
- **Donate prizes.** Prizes could be anything like little Halloween toys, glow sticks, stickers, pencils, etc.
- Donate individually-wrapped **baked goods** that can be sold at the concession stand. All money earned goes directly to the Loudon Food Pantry.

(Please bring baked goods or other donations to Loudon Elementary School gymnasium for 5 p.m. on 10/17.)

Thank you for any donations or help you can give. If you have any questions or would like to help volunteer to create/run a game or bring a baked good for the concession stand, please contact Elizabeth West at elizabethwest001@yahoo.com or call 798-5812. ■





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56 Washington St., Penacook, NH

603-753-4121

I-93, Exit 17, west to the rotary, south into Penacook. Follow the new yellow signs.





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Loudon Lions Club News

By Chris Dwyer

The Loudon Lions Club thanks all who came to our Ice Cream Social on September 12 (see photos below). A big "thank you" goes out to the Loudon Elementary School for allowing us to use the gym! This event is one way we raise funds for our Sight and Hearing fund.

The Lions Club meets at the Maxfield Public Library on the first and third Tuesdays of the month at 7:00 p.m. We welcome people who are interested in learning about the Lions and helping the community. Come join us! ■







Loudon Recreation Committee News for October 2014 Ledger



"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!!

LINE DANCING

Beginners and all are welcome! Adults and seniors who are ready for lots of fun and laughs join a group forming at the Richard Brown House on South Village Road starting at 6 p.m. (most likely on Monday nights but the day may change). Suggested donation is \$4 per session. Contact Janet at 961-0061 for more information and to get the start date, which be in November.

EXERCISE GROUP

A group of Loudon residents are forming a chair and standing exercise group that will meet Thursday mornings beginning in November (most likely date) from 10:00–11:00 a.m. at the Richard Brown House on South Village Road. The goal of this group is to get moving and have fun — more so fun. Suggested donation is \$3 per session. For more info, contact Janet at 961-0061.

ZUMBA

If you are interested in joining the next session of Zumba, email Jen at cjmercer@myfairpoint.net

IN THE WORKS...

In the works is a possible Belly Dancing for Beginners class and also a Town Holiday Tree Lighting event...STAY TUNED!!!

ALWAYS LOOKING FOR MORE HELP WITH RECREATION!!!

Loudon Recreation Committee is a volunteer group that organizes classes, workshops, events and activities for citizens of all ages in Loudon. We NEED other volunteers to step up and help out on this committee.

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



THE LOUDON TRANSFER STATION TURNS 25!

Starting this November we will start celebrating the Transfer Station's 25

years of operation. We're looking for information and you can help! Drop off any stories, newspaper articles and/or photos (all photos will be returned) at the Transfer Station. Or email your information to: loudonrecycles@comcast.net subject line: Transfer Station/25 years

Thank you for your help!



Our restaurant is open 7 days a week for breakfast, lunch, and dinner.



Don't Let Your Golf Game Suffer Because of a Little Snow! Join Us For "Virtual Golf" All Winter Long!



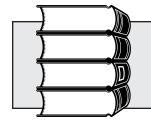
Simulator Available November 1 Loudon Country Club now has a virtual golf simulator available to keep your skills sharp all winter long.

The Club will be open 7 days a week with prices as low as \$20 an hour for certain times!

For additional photos of the simulator, check out our Facebook page.

Our Restaurant Will be open this winter! Play a few rounds of simulated golf and join friends for drinks and dinner. Black

Loudon Country Club, 653 Route 106 North, Loudon 603-783-3372 • www.LoudonCC.com



Maxfield Public Library News

Art Show and Sale and Antique Appraisals — November 8–9

Sponsored by the Loudon Village Arts group, the Fall Art Show and Sale will be open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, November 8, and from noon to 3 p.m. on Sunday, November 9. Mark your calendar with these dates to enjoy original paintings in watercolor, oil, acrylic, and pastel, as well as photographic works. Miniature paintings, ready-to-frame originals, and cards will also be on sale. In addition to two door prizes, antique appraisal services will be offered on Sunday from noon to 2 p.m. Please call the library for details.

Fa-Bingo — Game Night — Fall Into Picture Bingo

Traditional Bingo not your thing?

Try the library's custom-made variation with pictures. The theme is fall images, hence, FA-BINGO! Exercise your brain, nibble some munchies, and have a laugh or two as Franna White leads the way. Wear something even remotely resembling a costume (Halloween is just around the corner, right?) and be eligible for a door prize. The program will take place on October 15 at 6:30 p.m. You can count on candy corn, but please help us plan supplies and other refreshments by registering at the library.

Yoga Classes

With new, Kripalu-inspired ideas, Fran Nash offers hatha yoga sessions on Mondays at 6 p.m., Tuesdays at 1 p.m., and Thursdays at 6 p.m. Low-impact chair yoga is held at 11 a.m. on Thursdays. See what gentle stretching and relaxation techniques can do for your body and sense of wellbeing. Classes are \$5.00 per session.

Book Groups

Fiction/Nonfiction Group

Popular author Sue Monk Kidd began her frequent trips to the bestselling authors' list with her 2002 first novel *The Secret Life of Bees*. Translated into thirty-six languages, the book was adapted into a movie in 2008. Join book group on October 16 at 7 p.m. to discuss the title that first captivated so many readers. New-comers are welcome.

Classic Book Group

The group will meet on October 28, at 2:30 p.m. Please contact the library for information about the title chosen. Participants are welcome to share their own creative writing at the close of the discussion.

New Books

Fiction

Child, Lee	Personal
Cussler, Clive	The Eye of Heaven
Follett, Ken	Edge of Eternity
Goodwin, Daisy	The Fortune Hunter

Lego Club remains a very popular Thursday afternoon activity at the Library. Join others from 3:30 to 5 p.m. to show off your Lego skills.





There were quite a few interested in the belly dancing classes recently offered at the Maxfield Public Library.

Kittle, Katrina Lehane, Dennis Mitchell, David Phillips, Susan Elizabeth Robb, J.D. Sanderson, Brandon Simpson, Alice

Nonfiction

Ackerman, Diane Aptowicz, Cristin O'Keefe

Childs, Jessie

Corrigan, Maureen Jacobsen, Annie

Munroe, RandallWhat If?: Serious Scientific Answ
Hypothetical QuestionsVogel, SteveThrough the Perilous Fight: Six V
Saved the Nation

DVDs

The Adventures of Ichabod and Mr. Toad; Blended; The Boxcar Children; Careful, He Might Hear You; A Day Late and a Dollar Short; Decline of An Empire; Draft Day; Fed Up; Frankie & Alice; Good Evening, Mr. Wallenberg; Legends of Oz: Dorothy's Return; Love Punch; My Boy Jack; A Promise; Repentance; Still Mine; Summer in February; A Summer Story

DVDs — Robin Williams

A number of well-known and often critically acclaimed films featuring Robin Williams date back to the days of VHS tapes. Look for these additions to the library's collection of his movies: *Awakenings, The Birdcage, Good Will Hunting, Mrs. Doubtfire*, and *What Dreams May Come*.

DVDs — **G**-Rated Movies Relocated

With apologies to adults who routinely watch G-rated movies, the library has had to relocate those discs to the Children's Room because of space constraints. A search for G-rated titles is still easily done in the OPAC by typing in "Children's DVDs" and will just require a trip downstairs for check outs. You will still find G-rated films intended more for an adult audience — *Camelot, Fiddler on the Roof, Ben-Hur*, etc. — on the main floor.

The Blessings of the Animals The Drop The Bone Clocks Heroes Are My Weakness Festive in Death Words of Radiance Ballroom

The Human Age: The World Shaped by Us Dr. Mutter's Marvels: A True Tale of Intrigue and Innovation at The Dawn of Modern Medicine God's Traitors: Terror and Faith in Elizabethan England So We Read On: How The Great Gatsby Came to Be and Why It Endures Operation Paperclip: The Secret Intelligence Program That Brought Nazi Scientists to America What If?: Serious Scientific Answers to Absurd Hypothetical Questions Through the Perilous Fight: Six Weeks That

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Loudon PTA Welcomes Everyone Back To School!

Welcome from the Loudon Elementary School PTA! For those of you returning, welcome back! We also want to welcome any of our new families. The PTA excited to welcome our new principal Catherine Masterson. We are all looking forward to a great year together.

The PTA is an active participant in the education of the children at Loudon Elementary School. With the community's help, we:

- Provide 50% of the cost for field trips,
- Support the school in technology wishes,
- Purchase planners for the 4th and 5th grade,
- Hold many fun events throughout the school year,
- And much more!

It takes many volunteers throughout the year to make all these tasks and events successful. We would love to have your help. You don't need to make a huge commitment — even just an hour of time makes a huge difference!

Mark Your Calendars!

Here is a list of fundraisers and events we have planned for this school year. We are always looking for new event ideas and ways to "spruce up" our already planned events. We encourage you to please share your ideas with us!

October:	Snack Cart: October 24 Trick or Trunk: Friday, October 31
November:	Snack Cart: November 25
December:	Santa's Breakfast: Saturday, December 6 Snack Cart: December 12

January:	High Mowing Organic Seed Fundraiser	
February:	Luau	
March/April:	Easter Egg Hunt: Saturday, March 28	
May:	Mother's Day Flower Fundraiser: Friday, May 8 Teacher Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast	
June:	Golf Tournament	

The next PTA meeting will be held on Thursday, October 2nd at 6:30 p.m. If you are unable to attend meetings it is OK! We still would love to have your help during events or event preparation.

LES PTA has a section on the school website! Please check it out. Newsletters, minutes, and other information will be shared in this location. https://sites.google.com/a/mvsdpride.org/les/pta Thank you in advance for your help!

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Story Time

Bring your appetite to story time on September 30, as we read The Little Red Hen (Makes a Pizza) by Philemon Sturgis. The children will create a scrumptious pizza placemat in the craft time to follow.

Story time will be apple picking at Meadow Ledge Farm on Rte. 129, Wednesday, October 1 and Thursday, October 2. We hope to see you there!

It's back in *The Pumpkin Patch* by Margaret McNamara and *Pick a Pumpkin*, *Mrs. Millie* by Judy Cox, October 7 and 8. Each child will turn into a pumpkin at the end of the story time hour. No story time on Thursday, October 9 due to the Children's Librarian Conference. We'll be seeing spots the week of October 14, 15, and 16 after hearing Lisa Desimini's *Dot the Fire Dog* and Peter Catalanotto's *Daisy 1, 2, 3*. Every story timer in attendance will become the proud owner of a Dalmatian puppy!

On October 21, 22, and 23, the children will make moveable spiders inspired by the books of the week: *Dream Weaver* and *The Itsy Bitsy Spider* by Jonathan London and Iza Trapani.

As the days get shorter and the nights get darker story time will read *Night Ride* by Bernie and Mati Karlin and Susan Marie Swanson's *The House in the Night* on Tuesday, October 28. The children will create a colorful night scene with scratch art.

Join us for story time's annual Trick or Treat Costume Parade on Wednesday, October 29 at 2 p.m. and Thursday, October 30 at 10:30 a.m. Feel free to bring a treat to share at the Halloween party to follow.

Book Sale

Check out the assortment of books at the library's book sale on October 25, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. For email notifications of upcoming sales, contact Fran at 798-5153.

Library Hours

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



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Between the Covers: Tis The Season for Creepiness!!!

Bv Kate Dockham

is that time of year when the air has a chill, leaves change color, and our thoughts turn to Halloween. Everyone has a threshold of what makes them jump out of their skin at this time of year. Here is a group of books with different levels of creepiness so everyone can find a good read this month.



The Bat series of picture books for young children follows a group of curious bats. Author and illustrator Brian Lies has created a feast for the eyes in these books with bat-related details to keep readers engaged. The acrylic illustrations mesh the fantasy of the talking bats with the reality of their setting. First, there was Bats at the Beach, in which the bats take overflowing picnic baskets and moon-tan lotion to a night on the beach. Next, Lies wrote

Bats at the Library. In this book, a bored group of bats see an open window at the local library and decide to explore. They find insect books to drool over, explore a gingerbread castle in a pop-up book, and take selfies on the copy machine. Story time has the bats recreating scenes from familiar books every child will recognize. The most recent addition to the collection is Bats at the Ballgame. In this volume, Lies plays with perspective and while the game is played on the ground the ballplayers swoop, glide and soar around the bases. Even the spectators are hanging upside down! With inventive details such as Cricket Jack and mothdogs to eat, young readers will find this bat outing as enjoyable as the first two! While the rhyming text of each book has enough humor and sophistication to keep the reader turning the pages, it is the illustrations that will keep an observant reader finding new and delightful sights on every page.

For those of us not brave enough for nighttime adventures with bats, Small Blue and the Deep Dark Night is a good choice. In this picture book, author and illustrator Jon Davis provides a practical solution to nighttime fears. Small Blue is a little, floppy-eared rabbit. Big Brown is a big, comforting bear that brings Small Blue safety and reassurance. When Small Blue wakes up in the middle of the night, she imagines all sorts of creepy





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 alid 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). things waiting in the darkness. Big Brown offers cheery alternatives to Small Blue's imaginings. Slowly, Small Blue is able to imagine cheerful things in the darkness also. The text of this book is full of descriptive vocabulary, often using rhyme and alliteration to make this a fun read aloud. Who wouldn't cringe at the idea of "gnarly snarly teeth" or smile at the idea of "a smiley spacemen's zero-gravity birthday party"? The warm, trusting relationship between Small Blue and Big Brown is conveyed through the pictures and words, making this a perfect book for parents and children to cuddle up with at night and ward off those nighttime worries.



The next series of books is for the tweens. Scary Stories to Tell in the Dark by Alvin Schwartz is an alarming collection of horror and supernatural events! And kids from third to eighth grade love them to death!! Schwartz is a folklorist by trade and all of the stories found in his collection of books are adapted from American Folklore. In the original printing, the stories were accompanied by Stephen Gammell's unforgettable blackand-white drawings. These drawings are like watching zombies destroy your hometown through a window streaked with rain. (The newest edition is illustrated by Brett Helquist and are said to be "spine-tingling," although I haven't seen them.) In the

book The Satin Dress ends with a girl dying after dancing all night in a dress soaked in embalming fluid, The Hook features a boy and girl who survive an awkward date only to have a run-in with an escaped killer, and the collection also features songs that are pure gore. Yes. You will be scared reading these tales. Yes. Your child will be scared reading these tales. Try to keep them away, but it will be a fight. According to the American Library Association, in the 1990's Scary Stories to Tell in the Dark was the number one most challenged book, with parents trying to get it removed from library shelves. I know the copy I kept on my fourth-grade classroom shelf was falling apart from all the use it got. For those children clamoring to stay up and watch The Walking Dead with you, this series is for them.

For the tween that is a little more squeamish, or a reluctant reader, the Goosebumps series by R.L. Stine is a great choice. First published in 1992, there are 62 titles in the original grouping beginning with Welcome to Dead House. There have been nine spin-off series with the latest, Goosebumps Horror-Land, still being published. These are not great literature! They are a formulaic book series with some creepiness thrown in. They are good for the reluctant reader because a reader knows what to expect, is familiar with the formula, and therefore feels comfortable picking up a title from the series because it is not a risk. These books were also well loved items on my class-



room shelves, yet I did go through a time period thinking they were not worth my students' time. But if you have a tween who doesn't like to read and you can get them hooked on a series, no matter how formulaic, you have won the first battle!

Moving on to books for adults, I must start with the King, literally. Stephen King has published more than 50 books, many of which have been turned into movies.



mini-series, and television shows. I first encountered King and his work on the big screen. Who could forget The Shining, Carrie or Firestarter. I could write about the edge-of-your-seat reading of Christine or Pet Sematary, but I would like to highlight one of King's less known titles, The Girl Who Loved Tom Gordon. In this book, King takes his love of the Boston Red Sox and intertwines it into a story of fear and a young girl's unbreakable spirit. Nine-year-old Trisha McFarland is on an afternoon hike with her older brother and her newly-divorced mom. On the Maine-New Hampshire branch of the Appalachian Trail, Trisha wanders off to escape the constant bickering of her mom and brother. Trying a short cut to catch up with her

family, Trisha walks deeper into the unfamiliar wilderness. And then night falls. The young girl has only her wits, ingenuity, and courage to withstand her growing fear. But she also has her Walkman. She tunes the radio to the broadcast of the Red Sox game, where her hero, number thirty-six, relief pitcher Tom Gordon has come into the game. When her radio's reception begins to fade, Trisha imagines that Tom Gordon is with her — her key to surviving an enemy known only by the slaughtered animals and mangled trees in its wake. Amazingly, King takes everyday - a family hike, family arguments, and the simplicity of baseball - and events turns them into a heart-pumping story that will keep you at the edge of your seat!

I find many books today that are categorized as "Thrillers" are murder mystery/police procedure books and those labeled as "Horror" are glorified abduction, slash, and kill stories. Not many take King's lead of turning the everyday into horrifying situations. I have, in recent years, read two reminiscent of King that have

2014–2015 Wildlife Rule Changes Reminder

S ome of the state's hunting seasons have already begun and many more are just around the corner. Black bear and gray squirrel seasons opened September 1. Archery seasons for turkey and white-tailed deer started September 15. The statewide resident Canada goose hunt ran from September 2–25. Looking ahead, the opening day for the 2014 firearms deer season is November 12.

The Fish and Game Department revises its rules on a biennial basis; as a result, many of the rules for the 2014 and 2015 hunting seasons have changed. It is important for all hunters to keep up to date on the most current rules. Following is a summary of some of the major changes:

Highlights of the 2014–2015 New Hampshire Wildlife Rule Changes:

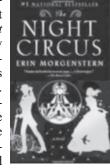
Changes to general baiting regulations:

- All bait permit applications are due on or before October 1. (Permit applications to bait wildlife on state-owned and managed lands are still due on or before August 1.)
- A baited area shall not be considered an active bait site when all containers used to hold bait and all bait materials are completely removed.

Creepiness — cont. from 10

left me shaking my head and not really wanting to recommend them to anyone. I will give them a quick mention here. The first, Blindness by José Saramago left me deeply disturbed and yet was the winner of the 1998 Nobel Prize for Literature. In this story a city is hit by an epidemic of "blindness" which spares no one. Fearing this unknown epidemic, authorities confine the blind to an empty mental hospital. There the criminal element holds everyone captive, stealing food rations and raping women. There is one eyewitness to this nightmare who guides seven strangers out and into the barren streets of the city looking for safety. I found this book only portraying the worst of mankind. Second is The Dinner by Dutch author Herman Koch, also an international bestseller. In this darkly suspenseful, highly controversial tale, two families struggle to make the hardest decision of their lives the course of one meal. On a summer's evening in Amsterdam two couples meet at a fashionable restaurant for dinner. Each couple has a fifteen-year-old son. The two boys are united by their accountability for a single horrific, criminal act. The actions of the boys have triggered a police investigation and shattered the comfortable, insulated worlds of their families. Once again, showing the worst that humanity has to offer, these couples seem to have lost their moral compass. Instead of doing the right thing, they discuss how to handle the situation. As civility and friendship disintegrate, each couple shows just how far they are prepared to go to protect those they love. The Dinner has been called a "European Gone Girl." Gone Girl, written by Gillian Flynn, is the story in which a husband is suspected of causing harm to his wife and creating a fake abduction to cover his tracks. During the investigation of Amy Dunne's disappearance, her husband Nick is haunted by evidence he can't explain away. Amy's friends testify that she was afraid of her husband, and Amy's diary backs up their impressions. Nick's computer is full of inexplicable searches, and his mobile phone is plagued by mysterious calls. With unexpected plot twists, Flynn keeps the reader intrigued until the very end. The movie version of this book opens this month and rumor is the controversial ending of the book has been changed!

I would like to finish the column today with a book of suspense and optimism. It doesn't quite fit the theme of things that go bump in the night, but it is all about the night. *The Night Circus* is Erin Morgenstern's debut novel and we can only hope to see more from this author. The world created by Morgenstern is intricate and magical. Unlike most circuses, this circus arrives without warning. No announcements precede it. It is simply there, when yesterday it was not. Within the blackand-white striped canvas tents is an utterly unique experience full of breathtaking amazements. Behind the scenes, a fierce competition is underway — a duel between two young magicians, Celia and Marco, who have been trained since childhood



expressly for this purpose. Unknown to them, this is a competition in which only one can be left standing, and the circus is the stage for their remarkable battle of imagination and will. Despite themselves, however, Celia and Marco tumble headfirst into love — a deep, magical love that makes the lights flicker and the room grow warm whenever they so much as brush hands. True love or not, the game must play out, and the fates of everyone involved, from the cast of extraordinary circus performers to the patrons, hang in the balance, suspended as precariously as the daring acrobats overhead. Set in the late 1900s and spanning the globe, Morgenstern's words will take you to another world with eccentric yet endearing characters. This book will grab your heart in a non-threatening way!

Whether your Halloween tastes are the edge of your seat, leave-the-light-on kind of scared or just a little suspenseful, enjoy the season. And until next time…keep turning those pages. ■

Changes to deer baiting regulations:

- The deer baiting season in WMUs A through L will open 21 days prior to the opening of the regular firearm deer season and close the third Wednesday in November. (The deer baiting season will run from October 22 through November 19 for the 2014 hunting season.)
- The deer baiting season in WMU M will remain open from September 15 through December 15.
- The deer baiting season for persons holding a permanently disabled veterans license as specified in RSA 214:13 or a license for certain permanently disabled persons as specified in RSA 214:13-c will open on September 15 and close December 15, statewide.
- No person shall place bait for the purpose of attracting and taking deer prior to the season for taking deer with the aid and use of bait.
- The baiting season for deer on Governor's and Long Islands begins the first weekday in October and ends on December 15.

Changes to moose and coyote baiting regulations:

- No moose shall be taken with the aid and use of bait.
- From the close of the bear baiting season through December 15, baiting for coyote will be restricted to the use of meat, animal parts, carrion, or fish only.

Deer season changes

- The number of either-sex deer days during the muzzleloader and/or regular firearm seasons has increased in several wildlife management units (WMUs). To view a chart of WMU-specific either-sex hunting days for the 2014 deer season, visit www.huntnh.com/Hunting/Hunting_PDFs/Deer_dates_2014.pdf
- When taking deer, no person shall possess more than one muzzleloading rifle or one muzzleloading handgun.
- 500 special Unit L antlerless only permits were made available, each with 1 tag (\$13). These permits are now SOLD OUT.
- All special unit M permits now come with 2 tags at a cost of \$26 (a total of 4,000 permits were issued and are now SOLD OUT).

Bear season changes:

- The still hunting/stalking season for bear in WMUs H2, K, L and M has been lengthened by 7 days, to run from September 1-28.
- The still hunting/stalking season for bear in WMUs G, I1, J1 and J2 has been lengthened by 14 days, to run from September 1 through November 25.

Turkey season changes:

• A fall archery turkey season has been established in WMU A, to coincide with the archery deer season and will run from September 15 through December 8.

General hunting rule changes:

• Hunter Education and Bowhunter Education are now combined into one course, referred to as Hunter Education.

Hunting season dates for all game species can be found in the NEW 2014-2015 NH Hunting Digest, which is now available at any of our license agents, at Fish and Game offices or online at http://www.wildnh.com/pubs/hunting.html.

For a complete and current list of all Fish and Game-related rules visit http://gencourt.state.nh.us/rules/state_agencies/fis.html.

The New Hampshire Fish and Game Department works in partnership with the public to conserve and manage the state's fish, wildlife and marine resources and their habitats. Learn more at http://www.wildnh.com. ■



News From the Loudon Youth Athletic Association (LYAA)



By Tammy Bourque

Fall is here and that means it's soccer season! By the time you read this, our fall season will be well underway. We overcame some hurdles while trying to get things rolling, but we did it. We couldn't have done it without the help of a few folks. Thank you to those who stepped up (and, for some, stepped out of your comfort zones) to take on the role of coaches: Jeff Joubert, Dan York, Dennis Moore, Breanne Mullen, Rebecca Stuart, Chris Michael, Tom Stevens, Eric Corliss, Amy Clark, Dennis Lommen, Jesse Morgan, J.P. Bondaz, Rob Tschudin, Mike Longver, and John Wells. Our hats are off to you all, as well as all of your helpers. We'd like to give a special shout-out to Kaeli Dunn and Ellie Aquilano for answering the call for helping with coaching! They are both freshman at MVHS, and when they heard we were in need of coaches, they offered us their time and expertise. Thank you both so much!

After placing over 140 kids on teams and lining up coaches, the next order of business was securing sponsors and ordering uniforms. Thank you to the local businesses that made this possible: Brookside Pizza, Smoke Shack, Eastern Propane and Oil, Little Sweet Pea Boutique, K&M Drywall, J&J Yolk and Co., Huckleberry Propane and Oil, Loudon Garage, and Best Septic. Your generosity to our youth programs is greatly appreciated.

Getting the fields ready for play is time consuming. We take a blank slate (field) and create 5 fields of various sizes for the different age groups. We truly appreciate those people who helped take on this project: David Bourque, Rob Tschudin, Dennis Lommen, Amy and Kaiden Clark, and Jamie Magoon. Although you may not feel like you did much, every bit of help was greatly appreciated. Thanks go to David Rice from the Town of Loudon for making sure the fields were mowed for the kids. And a huge thank you to Dave Therrien for taking charge of maintaining the field lines for the remainder of the season.

Kim Therrien, thanks go to you and Sierra Bourque for stocking the snack shack and opening/operating it on "opening day." With it all set up and ready for business, all we needed to do was find people to work. There was definitely no shortage of help. We had many kids take turns "working." And, little did they all know that while working in the snack shack they were sharpening their math skills by counting out change and gaining some business experience while strengthening their "people skills."

Although the 3rd/4th grade and 5th/6th grade teams started their seasons earlier in the month, September 13 was our official opening day. This was the day where all the kindergarten and 1st and 2nd grade teams got their uniforms and played their first games of the season. Envision Photography was on hand taking the kids' photographs. Thanks you, Mike and



Tonya Carpenter! Shuffling over 140 kids through and keeping on game schedule was no easy task, but you did it.

Our town's youth not only stepped up to help coach and work the snack shack, but they've also taken on the responsibilities of refereeing our games (along with Mike Longver). Being a referee is no easy task, but these kids have been doing a fantastic job and should be very proud: Maizie Thurber-Wells, Hannah Seigen, Matt Therrien, Courtney Theberge, Deanna Bourque, and Kaiden Clark. Way to take charge on the field and take control of the games - keep up the good work.

It is so wonderful to see our rec. fields being used by so many families, including their 4-legged family members. PLEASE, be kind and pick up after them. While the kids are playing soccer, we've seen many siblings/friends on the playground and at the bike and skate park. Please, remember to be safe! Wear your helmet.

To show our appreciation for all who participated in our soccer program, LYAA has partnered once again with Brookside Pizza to hold its Third Annual Pizza Party on October 4. Kids, parents, siblings, coaches, helpers, and referees are all invited to join in the festivities. It's been a wonderful, successful event that we hope to carry on for years to come.

Like most volunteer organizations, LYAA wants (needs) your help. We meet on the 4th Tuesday of every month at the Maxfield Public Library at 7:00 p.m. Come check us out. We'd love to hear your ideas. If you can't make a meeting, email us. Tammy Bourque (soccer coordinator: tjbourque@ comcast.net) or Breanne Mullen (LYAA President: mbmullen98@gmail.com). You can also find us on Facebook. "Like" our page to keep up to date on current happenings. With almost 200 kids participating in youth soccer (rec league and Loudon Freedom) we need your help!

Loudon Freedom? What's that you ask? Loudon Freedom is an organization made up of competitive travel teams that compete in the NH Soccer League. They travel throughout the state (sometimes out of state) playing games and competing in tournaments. We currently have four Loudon Freedom teams (and over 50 players!): Girls U14 (Ron Davis/Andy Palhof), Girls U12 (Tammy Bourque), Boys U10 (Pete Hanson), and Girls U9 (Andy Palhof). If you have a team you would like to enter into the league for the Spring 2015 season or for more information, contact Andy Palhof: Palhof@comcast.net.

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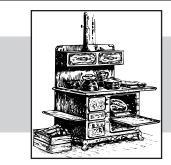
Indoor soccer season is upon us as well. Loudon has many kids participating at Fieldhouse Sports in Bow. You may contact FHS directly for more information: 226-4646. They have programs for age 3 to over 40. Concord Sports Center also offers Samba (Player Development Academy). CSC can be reached by calling 491-7775. Or, email Tammy Bourque (tjbourque@comcast.net) and she'll try to help as best she can.

If you have a chance, stop by the rec. field to catch a game. There are games being played on Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday evenings. Games on Saturdays begin at 9:30 a.m. and go straight through 5:30 p.m. It's a wonderful sight to see an amazing community come together for the benefit of the kids. Thanks to all who make it happen. ■



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By Jenn Pfeifer



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What's Cookin'! Fall Spicy Cooking Scents... Mmmmm

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The colors of fall have arrived and a cool crisp feel to the air makes me want to stay in my pajamas and cook all day. This is the best time of year for apples and pumpkins and the spicy flavor and aromatic scent of cinnamon is the perfect addition to many sweet and savory dishes.

CURRIED RED LENTIL SOUP — www.eatingwell.com

"This soup is inspired by the Indian side dish dal; the Hindi word means 'split' and refers to the split peas or lentils used in its preparation. Fragrant ginger, curry, cinnamon, and cumin add lots of rich flavor."

- l tablespoon canola oil
- 1 large onion, chopped
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- 2 tablespoons minced fresh ginger
- 1 jalapeño pepper, seeded and minced
- 1½ tablespoons curry powder1 teaspoons cinnamon
- 1 teaspoon ground cumin
- 2 bay leaves
- 1½ cups red lentils, rinsed and picked over
- 8 cups reduced-sodium chicken broth
- 3 tablespoons chopped fresh cilantro, or parsley
- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 2 tablespoons mango chutney
- Salt & freshly ground pepper, to taste
- ¹/₃ cup plain nonfat yogurt

Heat oil in a heavy stockpot over medium heat. Add onion and sauté until softened, 3 to 5 minutes. Add garlic, ginger, jalapeno, curry powder, cinnamon, cumin and bay leaves and cook, stirring, for about 5 minutes longer.

Stir in lentils and broth and bring to a boil. Reduce heat to low and simmer, partially covered, until the lentils are tender, about 45 minutes.

Discard bay leaves. Stir in cilantro (or parsley), lemon juice and chutney. Season with salt and pepper. Ladle the soup into bowls and garnish with yogurt.

SOUTHWESTERN RUBBED TURKEY — www.eatingwell.com

"Smoked paprika is the key to the turkey rub in this recipe. It can be purchased in gourmet markets and online at www.tienda.com. Roasting the bird breast-side down for the first half keeps the breast meat succulent and moist."

- 2 tablespoons smoked paprika
- 1 tablespoon cumin seeds, toasted and ground
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon freshly ground pepper
- 2 tablespoons plus 2 cups water, divided
- 1 12-pound turkey, giblets removed
- Position rack in lower third of oven; preheat to 350°F.

Mix paprika, ground cumin, cinnamon, salt and pepper in a small bowl; stir in 2 tablespoons water to make a paste. Rub the mixture all over the turkey, particularly under the skin and onto the breast meat.

Place the turkey breast-side down on a roasting rack in a large roasting pan. Add 2 cups water to the pan. Roast for $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours.

Remove the turkey from the oven and turn it over, use silicon oven gloves or cover the bird with foil and use cloth oven mitts to turn it over. Continue roasting, basting occasionally with pan juices, until an instant-read thermometer inserted into the thickest part of the thigh without touching bone registers 180° F, about 1½ to 2 hours more. If the bird is browning too deeply, tent with foil while it continues to bake. If the pan runs out of juices, add about ½ cup water, scrape up any browned bits, and use this liquid for basting. Let rest at room temperature for 30 minutes before carving.

PUMPKIN CINNAMON ROLLS — sweetandsavoryfood.com

For the rolls:

- 2¹/₄ cup flour (+ more if dough is too sticky)
- 4 tsp baking powder

- tsp nutmeg
- 2 tbs sugar
- 1/4tsp salt1/4cup cold
 - cup cold butter
 - cup canned pumpkin
- ¹/₃ cup milk
- For the filling:
- cup brown sugar
- tbs of cinnamon

For the frosting:

- 4 oz. of cream cheese; room temperature
- ¹/₂ cup (+/-) powdered sugar

Sift together your dry ingredients. Cut butter into flour mixture using a pastry blender. Work the butter into pea sized pieces. Mix in pumpkin puree and milk. If dough is still sticky you can add a tbs of flour at a time until it is easy to work with. On a floured surface roll dough out to $\frac{1}{2}$ inch thick rectangle. Sprinkle with brown sugar and cinnamon. Roll the dough into a long log. Cut into 1–2 inch thick slices.

Place each roll into a buttered pie plate or cake pan OR into a muffin tin. Bake for 15–20 minutes or until rolls are golden and cooked through. Allow to cool 15 minutes. Meanwhile in an electric mixer mix cream cheese and powdered sugar together. Pipe frosting onto rolls or slather over the top while warm.

APPLE CHAI SPICE JAM

"A beautiful apple jam cooked with chai spices in the rice cooker. A quick sweet treat to give away for Christmas or to top your oats, granola, yogurt or ice creams."

- 4 large granny smith apples
- 6 cloves
- 2 teaspoons ground cinnamon
- ¹/₄ teaspoon ground ginger
- 1 teaspoon ground cardamom
- ¹/₄ teaspoon ground nutmeg
- 1 star anise pod
- juice of 1 lemon
- 3/4 cup raw sugar

Peel, core and dice apples. Place them in the bowl of the rice cooker (I used Sunbeam Risotto and Rice Perfect). Place cloves, cinnamon, ginger, cardamom, nutmeg and star anise in a mortar and grind using a pestle until crushed fine.

Add the spice mix to the apples along with the lemon juice and sugar. Mix well using a wooden spoon. Cover with the lid of the rice cooker and put the rice cooker on the Risotto function. Give it a stir with the wooden spoon a couple of times. The rice cooker will switch off cooking and change to the Keep Warm mode automatically after approximately 40 minutes (If it doesn't, switch it off after 40 minutes and allow the jam to cool slightly).

Fill warm jam in a glass jar and store in the fridge for up to a week. You can also preserve it using proper canning techniques.

CINNAMON COOKIE MARTINI — Kahlua®

"Chocolate, coffee, and cinnamon flavors in a vodka martini topped with chocolate shavings make a terrific cocktail."

- 1 ½ fluid ounces Kahlua Cinnamon Spice
- 1 fluid ounce chocolate liqueur
- ¹/₂ fluid ounce vodka
- 1½ ounces chocolate milk or heavy cream
- 1 pinch ground cinnamon (optional)
- Chocolate shavings for garnish (optional)
 - Cinnamon stick for garnish (optional)

Place Kahlua, chocolate liqueur, vodka, and chocolate milk (or cream) into a martini shaker filled with ice. Shake to combine, then strain into glass. Top with chocolate shavings and garnish with cinnamon stick, if desired.

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

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The Loudon Police Department encourages TRICK OR TREATING between the hours of 5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.



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Loudon Elementary School News

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Welcome Back!

Students arrived for the first day of school on August 26th! On August 26th Loudon Elementary School welcomed students back to school! Included among the smiling faces that LES welcomed were over 40 kindergarten students who are enrolled in Merrimack Valley School District's first full-day kindergarten program! In addition to new students, LES also welcomed several new staff members. Ms. Mary Maguire is providing

Spanish instruction, Ms. Alyssa Terkow has joined the kindergarten teaching team, and Ms. Kelly Sedgley is working in the Reading Room.

Open Houses

Open Houses were held on August 25th for kindergarten students and on September 3rd and 4th for grades 1-5.

A number of community organizations also participated in this evening to share information about the extracurricular opportunities that our community provides to young people. Thank you to the many parents who joined staff on these evenings to learn more about their children's educational experience!

Good Things Are Going On

- LES is a busy place, both before and after school. Many school clubs are already underway. Check out our beautiful gardens!
- Thank you to Target and the Loudon community! We received a charitable donation from the company's "Take Charge of Education" initiative, which is funded by shoppers who designate LES as their school of choice.
- Fifth grade students have been introduced to a variety of musical instruments in the past few weeks. They have
- participated in an instrument "petting zoo" and enjoyed a presentation by some talented performers. Many students have selected an instrument to study this year. Mark your calendars; students will showcase their talent at their first concert after the New Year!



Congratulations to Ms. Patnaude! Artsonia honored her with their Leadership Award for her commitment to encouraging family and

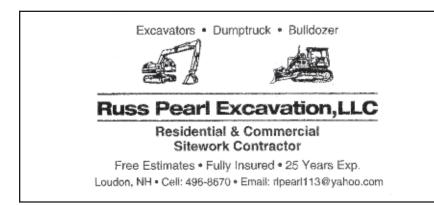
community involvement in arts education. The award also recognizes significant achievement in the area of technology integration within the school arts program.

Emergency Response Information

The Merrimack Valley School District and Loudon Elementary School have developed emergency management and safety plans that are reviewed and updated regularly. All of these plans are coordinated with police, fire, EMS, and other state agencies. Our plans address a variety of emergency situations, outlining appropriate actions before, during, and after a crisis.

Throughout the course of the school year the LES community participates in a variety of drills. We practice our response to fire, intruders, and natural disasters. These drills are held during different times throughout the day so that all students and staff will know how to respond in all areas of the school. After each drill we seek feedback, reflect on our experiences, and revise practices as needed.

In the event LES should experience an emergency it will be important for all adults to work together to ensure student safety. The school will notify parents of the emergency situation via television, radio, and telephone using the call multiplier alert. In the event of a real emergency, please do not call the school, more than likely you will not be able to make contact. Staff will be needed to respond to the situation and communicate with emergency personnel. While your first instinct will



probably be to drive to the school, we ask that you wait until pick up instructions are given in order for emergency vehicles to have unobstructed access to the area. Instructions on student pick up may come from the media (radio or TV), automated phone messaging or from staff using student emergency information. Parents and authorized adults should be prepared to show photo identification when picking up students in this situation.

Should an emergency arise, the LES staff will do everything in our power to ensure the safety of our students. Please remember that you are an important part of our plan!

Technology Galore

LES students returned to find several technological upgrades that were implemented by the hardworking MVSD Tech Team over the summer. LES now has building-wide wireless Internet and we have increased our student access to technology by adding 25 Chromebooks to our classrooms. Teachers will utilize these valuable tools to enhance instruction. All students at LES have Google Apps for Education (GAFE) accounts. The district manages these accounts with appropriate accessibility safeguards in place. They allow students to create, share, and store schoolwork in one location. This allows easy access to student work both at home and school.

LES teachers have been working to advance their knowledge of technology. District-wide professional development for staff is focused, in part, on GAFE. Differentiated levels of training are being provided to teachers by their co-workers that have experience incorporating technology into their classroom.

We are working to utilize technology to increase communication opportunities between school and home. Parents are encouraged to check the LES website frequently for updates. Check out the Remind app to subscribe to updates that can be sent directly to your phone. Email groups are being created and these will be used to send notices, informational handouts, and permission slips home. Hopefully this will prevent any more backpacks from "eating" our handouts. Look for the next edition of this newsletter to be received digitally!





Make Blaze Orange Your Fall **Fashion Statement**

Tunters and other outdoor enthusiasts are encouraged to put on a bright orange Harticle of clothing when they head afield this fall. Wearing a fluorescent orange hat, vest or jacket makes you highly visible, one of several key safety precautions for hunters, hikers and others enjoying the autumn woods. Several hunting seasons are already underway in New Hampshire (see http://wildnh.com/Hunting/hunting_dates_and_seasons.htm).

Wearing blaze orange has definitely been shown to decrease hunting incidents across the country," said Josh Mackay, who coordinates the Hunter Education Program at the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department. "It is important for outdoors enthusiasts generally, but especially for hunters, because the overwhelming majority of hunting-related incidents involve members of hunting parties."

Mackay stressed that, along with wearing blaze orange, the top safety rules for hunters are controlling the muzzle of your gun at all times and positively identifying your target — and what's beyond — 100 percent of the time.

Overall, New Hampshire has an excellent record for hunter safety, largely attributable to the state's effective hunter education programs. The average number of hunting-related incidents per year has gone down each decade since mandatory hunter education classes became required in the 1970s. The 1960s saw an average of 21.4 incidents per year in New Hampshire. Fewer incidents have occurred each decade since, with an average of 3.4 incidents per year since 2002.

While most hunting-related incidents do not involve non-hunters, it's a good idea for hikers and other outdoor enthusiasts getting outdoors in the fall to think safety as well, by wearing blaze orange, sticking to established trails, and reviewing the hikeSafe guidelines at http://www.hikesafe.com. Blaze orange pet accessories are also available.

For more information on dates and details of N.H. hunting seasons, visit http://www.huntnh.com/Hunting/hunting.htm.

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Girl Scout News

Climb a rock wall. Collect goods for the food pantry. March in a parade to show your patriotism. Sing songs around a campfire. Learn to sew. Make new friends. Visit the elderly. Develop a business plan and sell loads of cookies to raise money for a trip. Make more new friends and lots of memories! Girl Scouts is the world's preeminent organization dedicated solely to girls — all girls — where, in an accepting and nurturing environment, girls build character and skills for success in the real world. In partnership with committed adults, girls develop qualities that will serve them all their lives!

Through a variety of innovative programs and outreach opportunities, we are committed to bring Girl Scouting to every girl, everywhere. Girl Scouting helps girls grow courageous and strong, develop their full potential, relate to others with understanding and respect, develop values to guide their actions, and contribute to the improvement of society through their abilities, leadership skills, and cooperation with others. Membership is open to girls ages 5 through 17 who subscribe to its ideals as stated in the Girl Scout Promise and Law.

Girl Scouts has changed with the times and there are more ways than ever to participate in the Girl Scout program. There are TROOPS which meet on a regular basis and participate in activities and events such as earning badges based on girl interest and serving the community throughout the school year. There are EVENTS which girls can participate in, events that center on topics that interest girls. TRAV-EL groups 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, 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.

How do you get involved with these great programs? Just register! Go online to www.girlscoutsgwm.org and click on "Register Today." If you are interested in the TROOP pathway for Girl Scouting, there are many active troops here in Loudon and we are always looking for more adult volunteers. Register online today to get started in all the fun! If you have any questions about joining or volunteering, contact Amanda Masse at jaelmasse@comcast.net or at 783-0227.

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

Seeking Girls Who Want to Make a Difference For Unique Leadership Opportunity in Concord

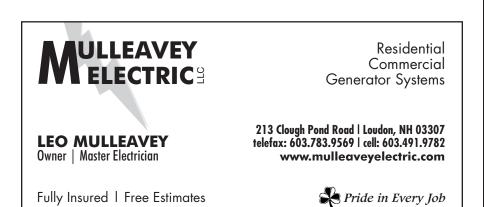
High-school age girls with an interest in government service and advocacy are invited to apply for Girls Rock the Capitol, a legislative internship led by Girl Scouts of the Green and White Mountains. No Girl Scout experience is needed.

This intensive program links girls to female legislators who act as mentors, while girls learn about and work on issues affecting the future of New Hampshire from inside the State House.

Through GRTC girls become critical thinkers, work as a team to advocate for themselves and others, prepare for leadership roles in their schools and communities, and have a rich understanding of the Granite State democratic process.

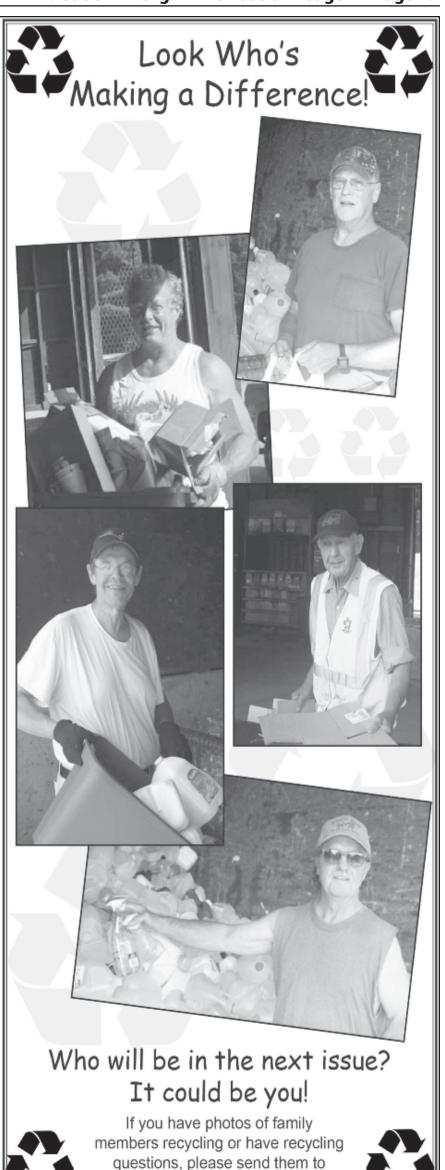
To apply, contact Nicole Nolan toll-free at 888-474-9686 x4142 or nnolan@girlscoutsgwm.org. Applications are due Oct. 31, 2014.

Girl Scouts of the Green and White Mountains serves more than 10,500 girls across New Hampshire and Vermont, thanks to 4,000 trained and dedicated volunteers. See www.girlscoutsgwm.org or call 888-474-9686 to register or join. We are a chartered council of Girl Scouts of the USA, celebrating 102 years of building girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place.



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Cub Scouts Kick Off New Year!

The Cub Scouts kicked off the year with a membership drive. Thank you to everyone who stopped by our table at the LES open houses. On the 15th of September, the Latham family once again hosted the leaders and boys of Pack 247 for a recruiting night at Krazy Kids. Boys had a chance to meet others who are already enjoying the scouting life while bouncing and climbing. Meanwhile parents completed paperwork and talked with leaders. A great time was had by all and Pack 247 is pleased to welcome SIX new members.

September Pack Meeting

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At our September Pack Meeting, the boys were awarded the advancements they earned over the summer both at camp and individually. We also kicked off our 2014 popcorn sales. We shared selling strategies and practiced our sales skills. It was good to get back together again.

Popcorn! Get 'cher Popcorn!!

It's that time of year! Popcorn is back! Watch for Cub Scouts at Show and Sell booths around the Loudon and Concord area. The money raised helps each boy attend Cub Scout Camp over the summer and funds pack activities and community service projects throughout the year. It's yummy too! Don't miss out, get your popcorn today!

The Cub Scouts Need YOU!

The Cub Scouts have volunteer opportunities both small and large. Pack 247 is searching for a new Cub Master, but we also need people to coordinate individual events. Even an hour a month can help boys develop into upstanding young men. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Vicky Thorpe at 224-5277. ■

Ashley Dlubac Receives Doctorate

shley Rae Dlubac received her Doctorate of Physical Therapy Degree from Ithaca College in Ithaca, NY. Ashley is a 2008 graduate of Merrimack Valley High School. Dr. Dlubac received her bachelor degree in Clinical Health Studies and minored in Sports Psychology and Communication Disorders in 2012. Ashley graduated in May 2014 with her Doctor Degree in Physical Therapy. Ashley will begin working for Cerebral Palsy Association of Eastern Massachusetts in October. Ashley is the daughter of Tim and Helen Dlubac of Loudon.





Loudon Residents Compete In Marathon Relay Race

oudon residents Dave King, Fred King, ⊿and Mike Moffett were part of an 11-person relay team that completed the 208-mile REACH THE BEACH charity relay race from Cannon Mountain to Hampton Beach on Sept. 12–13. The race raised funds for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation and the Run to End Alzheimer's Program. The King team --- "Run-a-Quickie-for-Vickie" -was in support of Dave's wife, Vickie, who is recovering from a serious medical procedure. The team finished 175th out of 519 teams, edging out such stalwart outfits as the Rosie Ruiz Fan Club, Off Like a Prom Dress, the Runemployed, the Channel 4 News Team, and Agony of Dufeet.

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"I'm very proud of our team," said Fred King, the team captain. "Especially considering that our average age was 48 years old!"

Michael Moffett and Beth Boardman Announce Their Engagement



Michael Moffett of Loudon and Beth Anne Boardman of San Clemente, CA are pleased to announce their engagement.

A professor at NHTI-Concord, Michael is also a retired Marine Corps officer. A graduate of Groveton High School, he attended the University of New Hampshire and Plymouth State University, from which he earned both bachelor and graduate degrees. A graduate of Columbine High School in Littleton, CO, Beth earned a Bachelor of Science degree in nursing from the University of Colorado before getting her Master's degree in English Literature from the University of Nebraska at Omaha. She earned her Ph.D. in Mythological Studies from Pacifica Graduate Institute,

for whom she now serves as an Alumni Board member. No date has been set for the wedding. ■

Haskell-Dlubac Wedding

Rebecca Haskell and Gregory Dlubac were married May 10th at the Highland Center in Crawford Notch. Rev. Dr. Dennis Calhoun officiated the double-ring ceremony. The bride was given in marriage by her parents.

Sarah Saunders, sister of the bride was maid of honor. Ashley Dlubac and Emily Carter were bridesmaids.

Tyler Carbone was best man. Jake Podkaminer and Scott White were groomsmen.

The bride, daughter of Steve and Nancy Haskell of Marblehead, MA received her bachelor degree from Hobart-William Smith College in Geneva, NY and her masters degree from Mass. School of Art.

The groom, son of Tim and Helen Dlubac of Loudon, received his bachelor degree from Hobart-William Smith College in Geneva, NY and will be attending Cornell University in Ithaca, NY to pursue a degree in Enology.

After a honeymoon in the Azores the couple moved to Ithaca, NY. ■



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Loudon Farms: Buy Locally!

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

Aznive Farm

7046 Pleasant Street. Hay, Beef. 435-7509

B&B Syrup, The Barton Families

227 Flagg Road. 783-4341, 783-9123

D.S. Cole Growers

251 North Village Road. Propagators of quality products from world-wide sources. Retail store at 430 Loudon Road, Concord. 783-9561. www.dscolegrowers.com. www.colegardens.com

Hill Top Feeds

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

Liliana Flower Farm

140 Beck Road. Perennials and pesticide-free vegetable plants. Wed-Sun 10-5 p.m. www.lilianaflowerfarm.com. 783-9268

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 antibiot-

ic 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. 783-5159

Moonshine Farm Organics

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

Mudget Hill Mumbling Maplers

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

Our Place Farm

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

Pearl and Sons

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

Potpourri Acres

7257 Pleasant Street. "A little bit of everything and not much of anything." Organic producer — vegetables. larrabeesr@com or 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. 435-9943

Sanborn Mills Farm

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American Legion Post 88

ByShawn Jones, Commander

Greetings from Loudon Post 88,

Our September meeting has come and gone with nine members present. Our guests were District 5 Commander Gerard Leduc and Finance Officer Tony Rabia.

Cmdr. Leduc introduced himself as the Committee Chairman of the Junior Oratorical Contest. He reminded us of the need to reach out to Merrimack Valley Middle and High Schools to find students who would want to compete for prize money and the chance to move on to state level contests for both the Junior and Senior Oratorical. He also said he has personally visited Wounded Warrior's at 45 North in Pittsburgh and the new barracks building is almost completed. He was impressed on how well veterans suffering from PTSD and brain injuries are doing there after arriving at camp.

I gave a report from the September 14, Eagle Scout Court of Honor for Alec J. Decato which was held at MVHS. I presented our newest Eagle Scout from BS Troop 247 with a check for \$175.00 and his membership card as a lifetime Eagle Scout. Congratulations from all of us at Post 88 to this fine young man on his accomplishment.

Adjutant Joe Piroso informed us he had been to Whitefield, NH and seen our old M60A Main Battle Tank at its new location at Legion Post 41. He said it looked nice in its new location. We might be getting an invitation from Post 41 around Veteran's Day for a re-dedication ceremony. I will let you know the details as soon as I get more information and will include that information in the November *Ledger*.



Loudon Young at Heart held its annual picnic and meeting September 9, 2014 at the Richard Brown House. Fifty-two members shared the highlights of their summer with friends.

Janet Darling, President opened the business meeting and announced the elected officers. The individuals are: President, Letty Barton; Vice President, Dottie Mulkhey; Treasurer, Irene Dow; and Secretary, Maureen Prescott.

The new-elected President, Letty Barton, presented Janet with a plaque in honor of her ten years of service from the members of the Young at Heart. Janet thanked all the committees and members for making the organization the successes that it is today. Janet will continue to be an active member of the Young at Heart.

The Young at Heart Float won first prize in the Old Home Day Parade, with the theme being "Music Mania."

The cookout that followed featured hot dogs and hamburgers from the grill with Mike Smith, Roger Dow, and Stan Prescott doing the cooking. There was a large variety of both salads and desserts to choose from. There was plenty to eat and a great time had by all.

The door prizes were baskets and boxes of apples donated by Apple Hill and Meadow Ledge Farms. The winners of these prizes were: Letty Barton, Ron Scoville, Ruth Lyon, Irene Jeffers, Dick Malfait, Philip Mulkhey, Larry Hemphill, and Ginny Nichols.

A big thank you to all who helped with the cookout!! It was a huge success and enjoyed by everyone.

The next meeting of the Young at Heart will be the October 14th trip to Hearts Turkey Farm. If you did not sign up and pay for the trip at the picnic and wish to go on the trip, you can call Janet Darling at 783-9011. Please be at the Church by 10:15 on the day of the trip. The bus will leave the parking lot no later than 10:30.

See you next month and bring your appetites!!



First Vice Commander Gary Tasker advised that he and Historian Mike Moffett had participated in the recent Department Golf Tournament hosted by the Loudon Country Club. He said the event was well attended and they enjoyed a day of golfing together. Thanks to LCC for hosting this event again this year.

Members voted to expend \$250.00 to pay Davis and Towle Insurance for an employee dishonesty insurance policy. This policy provides the post insurance coverage for the membership, particularly for the three officers who have access to post funds. Thanks to Sgt.-at-Arms Scott Newton for doing the legwork on this.

Our September Commander's Fund Raffle Winners were: \$50/K. Letalien, \$25/J. Piroso, \$10/J. Sanborn, \$10/R. Smith, and \$5/N. Senechal. Congratulations to our winners this month and thank you for support our post.

Our current membership renewals for 2015 stands at 51.32% — we have a long way to go in order to reach 100% before December 31st. There are a number of posts in our district that are ahead of us. Please remember to mail in your dues payment of just \$25 before the December meeting. Congratulation to Lebanon Post 22 for being the first post in the state to reach 100% membership.

For any new members who wish to join our post and have never been in the American Legion, we will pay your first year's dues for you as our way of saying thank you for joining Post 88. Please contact a member of the post for a membership sign-up card or contact me directly at uscgr1987@tds.net or 603-496-0204.

We meet again on October 15th at the Loudon Community building at 1900 hrs. We look forward to seeing you there. ■



October Seasonal Flu Clinic in Loudon

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association is holding a seasonal flu clinic on Tuesday, October 14 from 1 to 3 p.m. at Charlie's Barn (Community Building), 29 South Village Road in Loudon. Specially-trained nurses administer seasonal flu shots to people age 3 and over and answer your flu-related questions.

The fee is \$30 per immunization (cash or check) or Medicare B, Medicaid, Harvard Pilgrim or Anthem is accepted. Clients with insurance ID cards at the clinics do not have to pay a fee.

Seasonal flu clinics are dependent upon the availability of the flu vaccine and are subject to change. To confirm clinics and for a full schedule, visit www.crvna.org or call (603) 224-4093 or (800) 924-8620, ext. 5815.

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. This month's clinics will be offered on Monday, October 6 from 1–3 p.m. and Tuesday, October 21 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.

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

October Walk-In Blood Pressure Clinic

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association will hold a free monthly Walk-in Blood Pressure Clinic on Friday, October 3 from 9:30–11 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.

October Senior Health Clinics

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association will hold a Senior Health Clinic in Loudon on October 28 from 9 a.m. until noon at VOANNE Senior Housing. 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. ■

Kids' Corner

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Family Fun Shop

HALLOWEEN: SPOOKY GROSSWORD PUZZLE

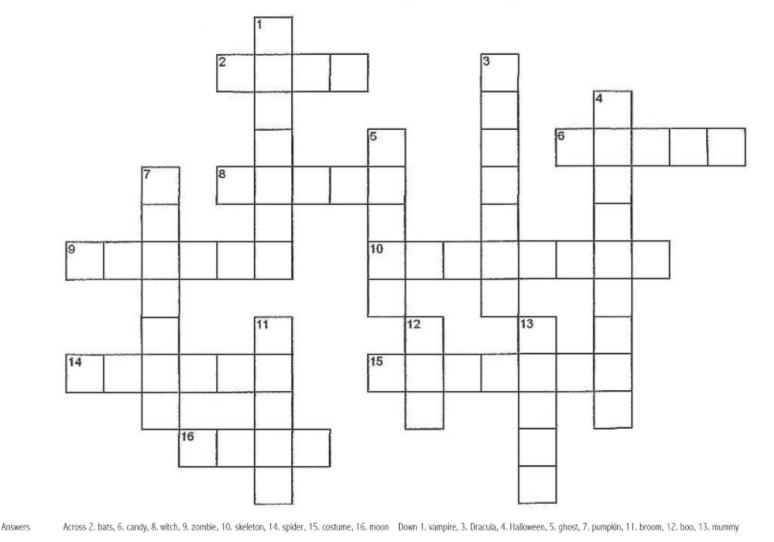
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- 3 The most popular vampire
- 4 The scariest holiday
- 5 Another word for a spirit
- 7 A big orange vegetable that you carve on Halloween
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- 12 What people say to scare you
- 13 He's all wrapped up and it rhymes with dummy

Halloween Spooky Words





Donations Needed and Always Welcome

During the next few months we have to keep up with a large demand for food while our patrons try to heat their homes. In 2013 we gave out enough food for 77,885 meals. That was an average of 6,490 per month. For a current list of needs, check out LoudonFoodPantry.org.

We also need funds to keep the pantry running and purchase food that is not donated. Our budget to accomplish this is \$116.16 per day. This includes the maintenance fees we pay to the NH Food Bank so we have food and frozen meat, insurances, rent, telephone, payroll (only Sue gets paid — all others are volunteers), fundraising, internet, projected equipment maintenance, etc.

Donations can be brought or mailed to Loudon Food Pantry, 30 Chichester Rd., Unit D., Loudon NH 03307. There are also many collection bins in Loudon, Canterbury, and Epsom. Go to our website LoudonFoodPantry.org for a current list.

October Happenings

Thanksgiving Box Signups — October 1st–31st

Last year we handed out 125 Thanksgiving Boxes. The boxes contained fresh fruit and fresh vegetables, as well as Thanksgiving dinner fixings. We hope the farms that helped out last year will again be kind enough to donate.

Anyone who is a patron of Loudon Food Pantry is eligible for a Thanksgiving box. The sign-up forms will be available during the month of October. If you come in after that date to sign up, there will be no guarantee we have enough food to fill your order. Please sign up early so we know how much food we need to have on hand.

Annual Blues & Lobster Fest — Sunday October 12th from 12:00 p.m.–6:00 p.m.

Makris Lobster & Steak House is hosting its Second Annual Blues & Lobster Fest. Come, listen, and dance to the Alan Roux Band featuring Dave Berry and special guest. The entrance fee is \$3.00 or \$3.00 value in non-perishable in-date food. The entrance fee will benefit Loudon Food Pantry. Check out Loudon FoodPantry.org for more information. Come join us for a last chance to dance in the sand!

Halloween Party - Friday October 17th from 6:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

Come join us at Loudon Elementary School for our Annual Halloween Party for Loudon kids, K–5th grades. This is a charitable event to raise food and money for Loudon Food Pantry. Admission: 3 FOOD items per child (Minimum). (Remember: More FOOD = more tickets to "buy" prizes!) Check out LoudonFood Pantry.org for more information.

November Happenings

Christmas Box Signups start November 1st

Annual 50/50 Holiday Raffle — November 1st through to December 12th

Our annual raffle is on. Half of the ticket sales will go to the winner and the other half benefits Loudon Food Pantry. Tickets are 50ϕ each; 5 for \$2.00 or 10 for \$3.00. Tickets can be purchased at the pantry (30 Chichester Rd., Unit D, Loudon NH) or online at LoudonFoodPantry.org. An order form will be available during the dates of the raffle. The more tickets we sell, the more the winner received. Good luck everyone!

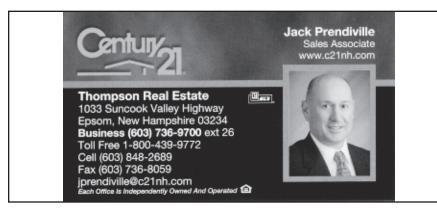
Thanksgiving Boxes will be handed out the week of November 12th.

Thanks

Thanks to everyone who donated produce and meat this season. Our patrons loved it. Some of these donors are Brookford Farm, Drake Circle Gardens, Miles Smith Farm, and many individuals who donated from their gardens.

We would also like to thank our volunteers, Huckleberry Heating Oils, Foxy Hair Care, Loudon Garage, and Shaver Disposal. Without their help this pantry may not exist. Thank you!

Sue, Bill and Sarah





Is Buying a Short Sale Home Right For You?

By Jack Prendiville Century 21 Thompson Real Estate

If you are in the market for a new home, you've found the market is full of realtorsold homes, for sale by owner properties, rental properties, foreclosures, and short sales. Each is different and today we are going to look at short sales so you can determine whether purchasing a short sale home is right for you.

Short sales can occur when the homeowner defaults on their mortgage, is facing foreclosure, and the home is actually worth less than the remaining mortgage. In situations like this, lenders may consider a short sale to recoup as much of the original loan as possible. A short sale allows the owner to sell the home for market value, and once it is sold, the owner's debt to the lender is considered paid.

So why would you buy a short sale?

Like foreclosures, short sales offer home buyers a chance to purchase more home than they are able to normally. Short sale homes, however, are often in much better condition than foreclosed or abandoned properties. This is because the current owner has a vested interested interest in the selling the home and may have even tried to sell the home previously — before it became a short sale.

If you are interested in purchasing a short sale home, you need to be aware that the process could take months. This is because you are not only dealing with the seller but the seller's lender, too. Many short sales take three or four months to complete because the lender must agree to all terms of the sale. If you are willing to wait, though, you may be able to get the home of your dreams at a great price.

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GLORIA J. JACOBSON

Gloria J. Jacobson, 59, Loudon, passed away at home Sunday, August 31, 2014, of cancer.

Born in Manchester, March 15, 1955, the daughter of Leonel and Marguerite Paquin. Gloria graduated from Memorial High School in 1973 and attended Rivier College. She earned her PHR certification in 1994.

Gloria was HR manager at NH Catholic Charities, Manchester. She was a proud Peace Corps volunteer ('09–'10) in Lavena on Taveuni Island, Fiji. She was past president and member of High Hopes Foundation of NH for 19 years, and a recent volunteer at the Nashua Senior Activity Center.

She was survived by siblings, Arlene Bruno, San Leon, Texas, Linda Smeenk, Venice, Fla., Joanne Adames, Boca Raton, Fla. and Norman Paquin, Wilton; stepsiblings, Julie Jenkins, Holderness, Mike Dupuis, Ossipee, Melissa Dabilis, Nashua, Cori Phelps, Manchester and Christie Mitchell, Milton, Vt.; aunts, Gloria Murphy, Miramar, Fla. and Rita Paquin, Lakeworth, Fla.; also numerous cousins, nieces and nephews. She also leaves her closest friend, Diane Modugno, Loudon.

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She was predeceased by her parents, Leonel and Marguerite Paquin; her stepmother, Elaine Paquin; her uncles, Rene Paquin and Phillip Baril; and her aunt, Jeannette Dion.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to NH Food Bank, Manchester, and to the Daughters of Mary Mother of Healing Love, Rochester.

RUSSELL E. COLE

Russell E. Cole, 90 of Loudon, died at his home Friday, Sept. 12, 2014. Born on OCt. 21, 1923, in Manchester, Conn., he grew up playing ball, fishing, picking tobacco and strawberries during the summer. Russ served in the U.S. Army in Europe during World War II. After returning home he received a bachelor's degree in economics from Wesleyan University. Russ worked in the insurance industry throughout his career living in Wilton, Conn. with his wife, Nancy, on land which was once part of the family farmstead. Russ was active in maintaining the Hurlbutt Street School, a one room schoolhouse where his wife had attended. Russ was happy building stone walls, mowing the lawn, digging the garden or watching sports. He was an avid tennis player as long as his knees held out.

After moving to New Hampshire in recent years, Russ lived in a family setting at Canterbury Hall in Canterbury, and then moved next door to his son where he had the finest care and company of caregiver Sarah Young and her family. He was pleased to have family nearby at all times.

He left his son, Douglas Cole and wife, Jane Iarussi of Loudon; his grandsons, Charles and wife, Lyndsey of Concord, Tyler and fiancé, Tara Holmes of Jersey City, N.J. and Whittaker (Tucker) of Loudon; his granddaughter, Kendall of Loudon; and his brother, Alan, and his wife, Tyra of Somers, N.Y.

He was predeceased by his wife Nancy; and his brothers, Ward and Randal.

Library Trustees Meeting Minutes — August 4, 2014

Ken Krzewick called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

In attendance:

Trustees Ken Krzewick, Molly Ashland, Alice Tuson; Alternate Herb Huckins; Library Director Nancy Hendy.

Acceptance of minutes:

The Trustees reviewed the minutes from the June 2, 2014 meeting. Molly Ashland moved to accept the minutes as proposed; seconded by Ken Krzewick. All were in favor.

The Library Director's Report was reviewed, which included the following:

- The Red Cross blood drive scheduled for July was postponed due to mechanical problems with their vehicle. Carolyn McNamara will contact the library to reschedule.
- A plugged AC drain caused water to collect under the furnaces in the mechanical room. Irving Oil made the service call. The upcoming AC drain change-outs should help with future problems.
- Two staff members took advanced Atriuum training on July 25 following the SILC meeting in Epsom.
- Financial records will be reviewed by the Town Auditor this month.
- The Summer Reading Program booklets for all three programs — children, teens, and adults — are due back to the library on August 9. Prize nights will take place on August 12, 13, and 14. Volunteers will assist staff members with the events.
- The next book sale will be on August 23.

The Trustees reviewed the profit and loss statement and the year-to-date financial statement.

Ken motioned to enter into non-public session to discuss a personnel issue. Molly seconded. All were in favor. The motion was adopted. The Trustees entered into non-public session at 5:35 p.m. Ken motioned to come out of non-public session. Molly seconded. All were in favor. The Trustees voted to seal the minutes for five years. The Trustees came out of non-public session at 6:10 p.m.

There was a discussion about the Library's water quality. No recent water test results are available, so the Library will have the water tested to ensure that the water is safe to drink.

The Trustees would like to encourage use of the Library by the community. Nancy will put together a packet of information describing the services that the Library has to offer. Copies will be available at the Library, as well as the Town Offices. Information will also be provided for Town Officials.

Review of the Meeting Room Policy was postponed until the next meeting. The computer/internet policy will be reviewed at the next meeting as well.

The next Trustees' meeting was scheduled for September 8, 2014 at 5 p.m. The October meeting was scheduled for October 13, 2014 at 5 p.m.

Adjournment:

Ken Krzewick made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 p.m.; seconded by Molly Ashland. All were in favor.

Submitted by: Ken Krzewick Molly Ashland Alice Tuson In lieu of flowers, donations in Russ's name may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital stjude.org.

BERTHA RUTH (HATCH) BENSON

Bertha Ruth (Hatch) Benson, 80, died Friday, Sept. 19, at Hope Hospice in Sandwich, Mass. Her three beloved children were at her side.

She was born on Aug. 30, 1934, in Concord, the eldest daughter of the late Leo G. and Bertha (Carr) Hatch. A proud graduate of St. John's High School in Concord, Bertha was a treasurer with New Hampshire Savings Bank for over 20 years.

A former resident of Loudon, Bertha enjoyed sewing, cooking, travel and spending time with her family, which included teaching her grandchildren how to bake and taking scenic rides along the New England coast. She loved fall, the ocean, sunrises, walks along the beach and spending time on Cape Cod. Bertha also took pleasure in being a selfless caregiver.

She is predeceased by her husband of 36 years, Carl Walter Benson, who passed in 1991, and five brothers, Leo, Paul, David, Richard and Robert Hatch.

Bertha is survived by her companion of 20 years, Michael Manzo of Centerville, Mass.; two daughters, Gayle Landry and her husband, Joseph, of Salisbury, and Darlene Lynch and her husband, Brian, of Bow; one son, Charles Benson and his partner, Rhonda Davignon, of Loudon; one sister, Josephine Takala of Concord; and seven grandchildren, Justin Landry, Jonell Landry, Benjamin Landry, Kelly Lynch, Emma Lynch and Hannah Benson. Bertha is likewise survived by many nieces and nephews and her brother-in-law Bobby Benson and his wife, Sylvia. Bertha's family would like to give special recognition to her devoted caretakers in Cape Cod.

Donations may be made in Bertha's memory to Hope Hospice 765 Attucks Lane, Hyannis, Mass., 02601, or to the charity of one's choice. ■

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — August 12, 2014

Present: Chairman Ives, Selectman Bowles and Selectman Krieger. Also present was Road Agent Dave Rice and Fire Chief Rick Wright.

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

Selectman Krieger moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, August 5, 2014 as written. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board met with Road Agent Dave Rice.

Mr. Rice said that they have finished paving the roads. The truck is almost put back together so they will be starting the gravel work on the sides of Oak Hill Road.

Mr. Rice said he picked up the new truck for the transfer station on Friday. He will be getting the pump and things swapped over. Chairman Ives asked what is going to happen to the old truck. Mr. Rice said they have a lot of things to strip off it and then it can go wherever the Selectmen want to send it. Selectman Krieger suggested it be weighed, see what its worth and put it out for bid.

Mr. Rice said they had a mishap with the big mower so it is at John Deere to be fixed.

Mr. Rice said he will be doing some research and getting together with Chief Fiske to discuss a policy and fine for snow plowing across the road. He discovered that Chichester has a policy so he will talk to them and other towns to see what their fines are. Selectman Krieger asked that Mr. Rice have it to the Selectmen next week so they can get the information into the Ledger.

Mr. Rice discussed impact fees with the Board. Selectman Bowles said the money has to be spent on improvements not on regular maintenance. Selectman Krieger asked about the drainage work on Oak Hill Road. Selectman Bowles said yes, that was an improvement. The Board discussed Currier Road and Piper Hill Road. Mr. Rice said the new one-ton should be arriving soon.

The Board met with Fire Chief Rick Wright.

Chief Wright said they had a good turnout of fire department personnel for Old Home day; for the parade, for the concession stand work and for the fireworks. He thanked the people that supported the Fire Department Association fundraiser.

Chief Wright said the Timberman Triathlon comes into town on Sunday, he has personnel assigned to cover the event at the event coordinators cost. There will be someone at the bike aid station at the library and two in the ambulance at Station 2.

Chief Wright said the delivery date for the new ambulance has been revised from mid-October to December 20 due to the factory experiencing a higher amount of business than anticipated.

Chief Wright said the new cistern on Pittsfield Road now has water in it. He will be scheduling a date to test it. Selectman Bowles asked about the easement for the cistern. Chief Wright will look into it.

The Board recognized Jim Brown from the audience. Mr. Brown explained that he has lived on Loudon Ridge for many years; they have a piece of land, map 36, lot 8 that is 47 acres and has been in current use. He said that somehow the land was taken out of current use and they were assessed \$340.00 because they put a small building on there for the purpose of running the maple orchard. He explained that the building is sitting on concrete blocks. Mr. Brown said it seems unfair that it was taken out of current use. Selectman Krieger asked how big the building is. Mr. Brown said it is 8' x 10'. Chairman Ives said that according to the Land Use Change Tax paperwork; .086 of an acre was disqualified. Mr. Brown said he

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met with the town assessor the other day. Mr. Brown said the building has power run to it. Mr. Brown said he can't find any other town that does this and he talked to the farm bureau and they haven't heard of this kind of thing. Larry Moore said he thinks this sets a dangerous precedent, this is an agriculture community, and he's not changing the use of this forest land in any way. Mr. Moore said the amount of land taken for this is small; none of these buildings are permanent structures and can be picked up with a loader and moved. Selectman Bowles said the building has electricity hitched to it with a meter. He explained that he is not an assessor, the town hires an assessor and they understand the law, but once you do something permanent it changes the use. Kathy Hayes explained that times have changed and to be more efficient they need to have electricity, to pick up the building and move it would probably create more harm than it does to leave it there. She said she believes it is unfair to all of a sudden pick out one building on Loudon Ridge Road and have it changed. Selectman Bowles explained that they didn't pick out one building, the assessor does a section of town each year and this came up during a measuring and relisting of that area; there were other changes made in the area. He said they are not asking for it to be moved. Chairman Ives said they want some time to review this before making a decision. Selectman Krieger said that he needs to know more about it because he doesn't want to do anything illegal and he doesn't want to make it harder for the farms that are left in town. Earl Tuson said the town doesn't tax people for anything under 100 square feet. Selectman Bowles corrected him that you don't need a building permit for something under 100 square feet but it is still taxed. Selectman Krieger suggested that maybe there is something that the town can adopt for the agricultural community. Earl Tuson said there is RSA 79-f. The Board will look into this. Larry Moore said his problem is not with paying taxes on the building it is with taking it out of current use. Willie Stinson asked if this would fall under a tree farm. Chairman Ives said he doesn't know; that is why the town pays professional assessors, they know the laws. The Selectmen said they will research it and write them a letter or invite them back to a meeting. The Browns said they would like to come back. The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received the Merrimack Valley School District invoice due August 15th for the amount of \$727,388.64.

The Board received the annual ambulance subsidy check from Town of Chichester for \$32,038.79.

The Board received the ESMI 2nd quarter Host Community Fee payment \$24,061.27.

The Board received a refund for the "Ash Credit" from the Concord Regional Solid Waste Resource Recovery in the amount of \$93,442.00.

The Board received a memo from Donna White regarding an Impact Fee Update. The Board received a copy of the Writ of

Possession for Map 69 Lot 415. The Board received a NH DOT notice of

final inspection meeting for Route 106 pavement rehabilitation scheduled for Tuesday, August 19th at 1:00 p.m.

The Board received a Regional Impact Notice from the Town of Sanbornton regarding a Verizon Wireless Cell Tower application and public hearing.

The Board received scholarship thank you cards and letters from Jessica Ingerson, Colby Tierney, and Stephen Schwab

The Board received miscellaneous correspondence.

The Board received the following reminders.

There is a building committee meeting, Wednesday, August 13 at 4:00 p.m.

The Tank is being relocated on Friday, August 15 at 9:00 a.m. The Timberman Triathlon will be com-

ing through town on Sunday, August 17. The town auditor will be in the office

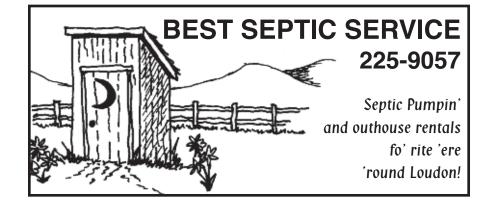
Monday, August 18 through Wednesday, August 20.

Selectman Krieger offered his thanks to everyone that helped make Old Home Day a success. A lot of time and effort goes into it.

Selectman Bowles moved to adjourn at 7:16 P.M. Seconded by Selectman Krieger. All in favor. Motion carried.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN Steven R. Ives, Chairman Dustin J. Bowles, Selectman Robert P. Krieger, Selectman

Deadline for the November 2014 issue of the "Loudon Ledger" is Friday, Oct. 17, 2014



Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — August 19, 2014

Present: Chairman Ives, Selectman Bowles and Selectman Krieger. Chairman Ives called the meeting to

order at 6:00 P.M. Selectman Krieger moved to approve the

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, August 12, 2014 as written. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received a letter of intent from NHMS regarding the Sylvania 300 event scheduled for Wednesday, September 17–Sunday, September 21, 2014. The Board discussed the schedule of activities. The Board discussed the ending time for the bands. The ending time for previous events will be looked at and a letter written to the track if necessary.

The Board received a letter of intent from NHMS regarding the Color Run scheduled for Saturday, October, 11, 2014. Chairman Ives said this event takes place within the track.

The Board received a memo from Chief Wright regarding the subdivision cistern on Pittsfield Road. Chief Wright said the cistern was tested by the Fire Department and worked well. He did ask Mr. Dumont to paint a full line mark on the water gauge. Mr. Dumont will pave the pull off area with state approval. Chief Wright also said he received the easement deed for the cistern; it has been signed and notarized.

The Board received a request from Bob Fiske regarding the issuance of a Certificate of Occupancy on Pittsfield Road. The Board said the cistern has been tested by the fire department and will not hold up the certificate of occupancy.

The Board received a copy of a memo sent to Chief Fiske from Chief Wright thanking the Police Department for the police escort for Dick Wright's retirement celebration.

The Board received a copy of a quote from Harry O Electrical Corp for Station #1, Station #2, and Police Department for review. The Board agreed that the work should be done.

The Board received a letter from State of NH Homeland Security and Emergency Management (HSEM) regarding hazard mitigation plan update funding.

The Board received an email from the Loudon Communications Council regarding their response and consideration to submissions they have received for inclusion in the Ledger.

The Board received a Project Notification from Continental Paving for resurfacing NH Route 106 near Autumn Drive in Concord to Cascade Park Campground (they are not resurfacing the Staniels Road intersection area at this time).

The Board received a check from Concord Regional Solid Waste Resource Recovery in the amount of \$38,565.00. This is the second refund check for the "Ash Credit."

The Board received a donation from Philip Browne to LYAA for allowing him to use the field parking lot. The check will be forwarded to LYAA.

The Board received the ESMI Compliance report for July 2014.

The Board received a request from American Red Cross for funds for the upcoming fiscal year.

The Board received scholarship thank you letters from Hannah Young and Stephen Schwab. The Board received the following reminders.

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Wednesday, August 20, 10 a.m. — Sheriff to serve Writ of Possession to 242 Redwood Road.

Thursday, August 21, 7 p.m. — Planning Board meeting. A conceptual site plan for the new town office will be presented.

The Board recognized State Representative Howard Moffett from the audience.

Mr. Moffett said that one of the most important bills this year was the gas tax increase. He said he supported it; it was something he thought was absolutely essential for keeping the infrastructure (roads) of the state in shape. Chairman Ives asked if it's true that some of the gas tax money gets siphoned off for other uses. Mr. Moffett said that has been true in the past and is still happening with the 18 cents that has been in effect since 1991. He explained that article 6a of the state constitution provides that the highway and bridge fund can be used for two things roads & bridges and monitoring the safety of traffic of roads and bridges. Mr. Moffett said that monitoring has allowed the money to be used for patrol of the state highways; he said money was also diverted to DRED, Fish & Game and other things it had no business going to. Mr. Moffett explained that when the increase first came up in 2013 he went to chair of the public works and highway committee and told him he thought there needed to be an increase but unless the leaks were fixed he would not vote for it. Mr. Moffett said that every piece of the 4 cent increase is going to the highway and bridge fund some will still go to patrols but they have stopped the money from going to agencies that have nothing to do with roads and bridges.

Mr. Moffett said another bill was to increase the flexibility in processing absentee ballots. He said he discussed this with our moderator Mike Labonte. Mr. Moffett said this bill will allow them to start processing absentee ballots within two hours after the polls open as long as the process is noticed in advance.

Mr. Moffett said a bill regarding reporting of elected officials to NH Retirement System was cleared up.

Mr. Moffett said there is a bill regarding biometric data; essentially it means they are going to have to be careful about the collection of fingerprints, photo's etc. He said there are now very few things it can be done for except things like security at the airport.

Mr. Moffett said there is a bill that would require letter notice to abutters, as long as there aren't more than 100 abutters, of any zoning ordinance change.

Mr. Moffett said a warrant is now needed before searching portable electronic devices.

Mr. Moffett said he introduced two bills to legislature. He said the first doesn't really affect either Loudon or Canterbury but he is concerned about it because he cares about energy and taxes. He explained that for the last several years it has been that if a municipality entered into a pilot program with a company that wanted to do renewable generation facility (hydro, solar, wind) they could enter into an agreement where the town could agree with the developer to accept a payment in lieu of taxes at a lower amount than the facility would have been responsible for paying if it had been taxed at a regular basis. This allowed for economic development in some towns where developers had a good site but the economics

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wouldn't have been feasible without a break on the taxes. The problem was that DRA was equalizing property taxes in the town as though they were being taxed on fair market value. So if the town was in a cooperative school district or when it came time to pay county taxes they had to pay taxes at a much higher rate than they were taking in for pilot payments so it was becoming a burden to the taxpayers. He explained that the bill was passed and it basically just cleaned up the tax statute.

He said the other bill was to prohibit discrimination in the admissions policy at the Veteran's home in Tilton against Veteran's that smoke. He said for many good reasons they became a smoke free campus but there were quite of few Veterans that smoke, those that were there became grandfathered and were given a place to smoke outside in a monitored environment. The Board said starting July 2013 you can't come to the home unless you agree to participate in a smoking cessation program; some veterans were turned away because they wouldn't give up smoking. He said there were a group of democrats and republicans that understood they were trying to do this for their health but these are veterans.

Chairman Ives said that one issue that they are always concerned with is the cost of education. He explained that it's important to the board that the town residents realize that nearly \$800,000 goes to the school district each month. Mr. Moffett said he has been following the school board meetings. Selectman Bowles said the increase this year was over 1 million.

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Chairman Ives asked if most of the voting at the legislative level is done across party lines or are they voting for what they think their constituents want. Mr. Moffett said it is all over the place, a general statement can't be made about it, it depends on the issue and a lot of different things. He said as an example the budget passed in 2013 passed almost unanimously.

Selectman Krieger thanked Mr. Moffett for coming in and for attending Old Home Day. Mr. Moffett said he will be running again. He said he has enjoyed it; he has gotten to know Loudon much better and is always amazed at town meeting. Selectman Bowles thanked Mr. Moffett for making himself available to the public.

Selectman Bowles said they need to do something about two storage trailers at the

transfer station; he said they are falling apart and he is worried about putting the forklift in them. He said they have talked about extending the roof and removing the trailers. Selectman Bowles said if Chairman Ives and Selectman Krieger agree he will work with Steve and Dave to get prices. They agreed that the project should move forward.

Chairman Ives said he went to the retirement celebration for Dick Wright. He said it was a well attended fun night.

Selectman Bowles moved to adjourn at 6:59 P.M. Seconded by Selectman Krieger. All in favor. Motion carried.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN Steven R. Ives, Chairman Dustin J. Bowles, Selectman Robert P. Krieger, Selectman

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — August 26, 2014

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Present: Chairman Ives, Selectman Bowles and Selectman Krieger.

Also present was Police Chief/Code Enforcement Officer Bob Fiske, Road Agent Dave Rice and Fire Chief Rick Wright.

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

Selectman Krieger moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, August 19, 2014 as written. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.

Selectman Bowles moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Friday, August 22, 2014 as written. Seconded by Selectman Krieger. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board met with Chief Fiske. Chief Fiske provided the Board with a

revised NHMS Event Schedule. Chief Fiske provided the Board with a copy of a Letter of Intent for the Millennium Running event to be held on September

um Running event to be held on September 28, 2014. Selectman Krieger said that the coordinators of the event told them they would be notifying the abutters of the race

route in advance of the event. Chief Fiske said he is meeting with them tomorrow to go over details and will discuss that.

Chief Fiske reminded the Board that the Zoning Board will be meeting Thursday for the Sliva Appeal from an Administrative Decision. Chief Fiske said he has spoken to Dave Powelson about it.

Chief Fiske discussed scheduling manpower/security for the September race. Chief Fiske has a meeting on Friday with track personnel to discuss scheduling.

Chief Fiske said the Police Association sponsored Boy Scouts are purchasing a trailer and the question was raised as to whether the trailer could be insured under the towns insurance. Martha Cheney explained that the trailer would be used to store their equipment. She explained that some troops have trailers and an individual registers it and gets the insurance, the troop then reimburses for the insurance. Chief Fiske said his concern is that the Police Association sponsors the troop and what their liability would be should the trailer be involved in an incident. The Selectmen said they will look into the insurance issue.

Fire Permits Required

A Fire Permit is **REQUIRED** for ALL outside fires, including family campfires, chimineras, 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.



The Board met with Road Agent Dave Rice. Mr. Rice said the mower cannot be fixed

it's a 1998, parts are not available and it can't be welded. Mr. Rice said to replace it will be around \$20,000. He said they are okay for the rest of this year; it just takes a lot longer to get the mowing done. Selectman Bowles said it might have to go on the warrant for next year, Mr. Rice agreed.

Mr. Rice said the tractor for the transfer station is getting hydraulics, everything else is all set, and he will letter it when it gets back.

Mr. Rice said the one-ton might be ready by the end of the week. When he gets it, he will schedule for radio's to go in the tractor and the one-ton.

Mr. Rice said they will be closing Wales Bridge road for the week of September 8 to work on the bridge. Mr. Rice said he has already spoken to the school and they are all set.

Mr. Rice said tomorrow he will be putting material on the edge of Bee Hole Road at the residence that has been contacting him.

Selectman Bowles said they met with Mike Milligan about the work at the transfer station to replace the storage trailers.

Chairman Ives told Mr. Rice that the highway department has been volunteered to clear the Legion lot of the pavement and stuff to get it ready for construction. Selectman Bowles suggested that it be left until spring because people use the parking. Mr. Rice asked if everything out front including bushes and shrubs would be going. Chairman Ives said they would and suggested that if the highway crew has time they can work on it.

Mr. Rice said they have been going around taking care of washouts on the edge of the roads.

Mr. Rice said they need to do something with the end of Whitehouse Road, it's falling apart.

The Board met with Fire Chief Rick Wright.

Chief Wright said they had a meeting today regarding a new land line that the track provided at race control so they can communicate better.

Chief Wright explained that he is going to have a Chichester truck positioned at either the Village Station or at 129/106 on race morning. He said it will relieve some of the stress of getting down the emergency lane and back up to the track. Chief Wright said he'll take one from the afternoon let out so it won't affect the budget.

Chief Wright said he would be attending the meeting with Chief Fiske and Millennium Racing tomorrow.

Chief Wright said he has been looking at the Freedom Hill dry hydrant with contractors. He is waiting for prices, they have the permits.

Chief Wright provided the Board a copy of a congratulatory letter that he sent to Alec Decato for earning his Eagle Scout.

Selectman Bowles suggested that Chief Wright discuss the emergency lane at the next DOT meeting.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received nine overdue ambulance bills for their review. Selectman Krieger made a motion to send the following ambulance bills to collection: acct #1419 in the

amount of \$117.94, acct #4068 in the amount of \$578.70, acct #4358 in the amount of \$719.20, acct #4484 in the amount of \$94.09, acct #4759 in the amount of \$634.40, acct #4919 in the amount of \$763.60, acct #4994 in the amount of

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\$542.70, acct #4995 in the amount of \$92.78, and acct #5076 in the amount of \$106.74. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board received a copy of the TimberMan Triathlon/Ironman event billing from Chief Fiske for review.

The Board received correspondence from DRA regarding forwarding the assessing database to DRA. Data will be verified with assessor before submitting to DRA.

The Board received NHMA 2015–2016 Legislative Policy Conference and Voting Delegate Authorization card. The conference will be held Friday, September 26, 2014.

The Board received a copy of the Sheriff's "return of service" paperwork regarding Map 69 Lot 415.

The Board received scholarship thank you letter and card from Barri-Lynn Medeiros & Madison Dombrowski.

The Board received contact information from Jeff Harsin of Grappone Automotive Group Fleet — Municipal — Commercial Department.

The Board received miscellaneous correspondence

The Board received the following reminders.

Thursday, August 28 at 7 p.m. is the Zoning Board meeting.

Monday, September 1 — Labor Day — office is closed.

Tuesday, September 2 — Public Hearing for Veteran's Drive.

The Board recognized Joe Brown from the audience.

Mr. Brown said that he lives on Currier Road. He explained that about nine months ago he explained to the Board that the federal government helped him put in a 16" culvert to divert water off Currier Road. Mr. Brown said he told the Board that the culvert was full of sand and it was mentioned that maybe it could be blown out by the fire department. He said he looked at it again recently and that culvert and a culvert that the town put in are both completely covered. He explained that Mr. Rice and the crew cut out several areas for the water on the other side of the road and all of those are filled. He said that the point is when there is a washout it ends up in his driveway. Mr. Brown said he thinks too much sand and not enough rock is used on the road and it is graded too much. Chairman Ives said they will contact Mr. Rice and have him take a look at it.

Selectman Bowles moved to adjourn at 7:05 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Krieger. All in favor. Motion carried.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN Steven R. Ives, Chairman Dustin J. Bowles, Selectman Robert P. Krieger, Selectman

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — September 2, 2014

Present: Chairman Ives, Selectman Bowles and Selectman Krieger.

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

Selectman Bowles moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, August 26, 2014 as written. Seconded by Selectman Krieger. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received confidential correspondence from Town Council.

The Board received two confidential memos from Fire Chief Rick Wright for review.

The Board received a memo from Fire Chief Rick Wright regarding roof repairs to the Safety Building. The Board reviewed the quote and agreed that Chief Wright should have the work done.

The Board received the annual report of Impact Fees from Planning Board Administrative Assistant Donna White.

The Board received the June 26, 2014 and July 24, 2014 John O. Cate Memorial Van Association Meeting Minutes.

The Board received Concord Regional Solid Waste Information from Steve Bennett.

The Board received the June and July property transfers.

The Board received a scholarship thank you card and letter from Amy Carbonneau and Maureen Mullen.

The Board received TDS "Fiberville" information.

The Board received miscellaneous correspondence

The Board received a reminder that Wales Bridge Road will be closed to thru traffic beginning Monday, September 8, 2014 for repairs. Chairman Ives said it will be closed for approximately one week.

Chairman Ives stated that being 6:30 he would start the public hearing for acceptance of a town road.

Chairman Ives read the following: Public Notice, The Board of Selectmen of the Town of Loudon will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, September 2, 2014 at 6:30 P.M. at the Loudon Community Building, located behind the Town Office to consider a petition from Frank L. Merrill of KARA Realty Associates, LLC, to accept Veteran's Drive as a Town Road. Signed: Steven R. Ives, Chairman, Dustin J. Bowles, Selectman, Robert P. Krieger, Selectman. He also read the following Petition: Now comes Frank L. Merrill of KARA Realty 35 Veteran's Drive Loudon NH 03307 of Merrimack County, State of New Hampshire to respectfully petition the Selectmen of the Town of Loudon, New Hampshire as follows: Your petitioner is the owner of a certain parcel of land

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approximately 5.20 acres located on Veteran's Drive Loudon, County of Merrimack, State of New Hampshire. Petitioner respectfully petitions the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Loudon to accept the lay out of the road named Veteran's Drive, which is approximately 1,350 feet of paved road, located off of Staniels Road, Loudon, New Hampshire. Subdivision and road design has been approved by the Town of Loudon Planning Board on October 22, 2003, the road has been built and inspected by the engineer for the town, as well as the road agent. It was recorded on October 23, 2002 at the Merrimack County Registry of Deeds, Plan #16622. It is specifically requested that this Board of Selectmen schedule a public hearing and that appropriate notice be given to all owners of property abutting Veteran's Drive at least fourteen (14) days prior to the hearing. Respectfully submitted Frank L. Merrill, Date: July 23, 2014. Chairman Ives recognized Sue Merrill from the audience. Ms. Merrill said she was there in case there are any questions. Chairman Ives read the following letter: My name is Richard Homsi and I own two lots in front of the proposal before you tonight being made by Frank Merrill. Unfortunately, I am unavailable to attend as I have a meeting in Dedham, Mass at the same time, but I am in favor of making Veteran's into a Town road. Chairman Ives said the road is 50% built out, there are six lots total, three of them have buildings. Selectman Bowles stated that if they accept the road they need a five year maintenance bond which should be for 15% of the cost of the build out so the bond would need to be \$10,500. He said the town would also need a deed to the road.

Selectman Krieger made a motion to accept Veteran's Drive as a town road. Seconded by Selectman Bowles with two conditions; the five year road bond of \$10,500 will be in place and the road will be deeded to the Town of Loudon. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Bowles said they did a good job in building the road. Chairman Ives said he drove down it and agrees. All in favor. Motion carried.

Selectman Krieger said he spoke to Chief Fiske about getting estimates for a carport/lean-to at the police department. He said that they have things sitting outside now. Chairman Ives asked where it would be located. Selectman Krieger said right where the cruisers are parked now. He explained that it would just be poles with a roof.

Selectman Bowles said they are working on the estimate for the transfer station for the addition to the recycling building, they are getting estimates for the concrete and trusses.

Selectman Bowles moved to adjourn at 6:37 P.M. Seconded by Selectman Krieger. All in favor. Motion carried.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN Steven R. Ives, Chairman Dustin J. Bowles, Selectman Robert P. Krieger, Selectman

Planning Board Meeting Minutes — August 21, 2014

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

Attendance:

Chairman Tom Dow, Tom Moore, Henry Huntington, Vice Chairman Stan Prescott, Bob Cole, Ex-Officio Dustin Bowles and Alternate Bob Ordway

Bob Ordway was appointed as a voting member in the absence of George Saunderson.

Acceptance of Minutes:

July 17, 2014 Regular Meeting — Bob Cole made a motion to approve the minutes as written; seconded by Bob Ordway. All were in favor.

Conceptual Consultation:

Town Office Building Committee — Chris Adams of Nobis Engineering, Cindy Lewis of Architectural Link, Selectmen Bob Krieger and Dustin Bowles, Committee members Helen McNeil, Brenda Pearl, and Tom Dow were present.

Chris Adams explained that the committee has been working on a new building to be constructed on the former American Legion lot in the Village. The building would be 6700 SF, two stories and a basement. There will be twenty-three parking spaces with one being for handicapped parking. The half-moon drive will remain. They are proposing an emergency vehicle gate at the back of the parcel. The existing septic system will be removed and a new one installed. Capital Well assessed the existing well and recommended that a new well be installed. New gas and underground electric will be installed. A drainage system for storm water runoff will also be installed.

Cindy Lewis presented elevation drawings, explaining that they are planning a two-story colonial with clapboard siding and double-hung windows. The proposed building would sit in the approximate location of the former Legion, facing the southern side of the lot. There are two bathrooms proposed at the back of the building for ball field use if budget allows. That would also be the area for future development. There will be an elevator that will access the basement, first floor offices, and second floor for the meeting room.

Henry Huntington asked about a landscape design, suggesting that there are several businesses in town that would probably be interested in assisting with the landscaping aspect of the project. There was some discussion on how the landscaping will be handled; it was agreed that it would not be part of the bid package. Tom Dow said they had hoped to break ground this fall but were not ready for the bidding process. He said they will do the bids over the winter and start construction in the spring. There was discussion about higher costs of winter construction, having to heat the project as well as the existing town offices. Mr. Dow said the site plan is about completed. He said the committee has been discussing details for materials, contracting site work, and other pieces of the building process. The geo-tech report has just been received; engineers will begin designing the basement which will include a vault for record storage.

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New Business:

Application #14-07, Karen P Mossman Revocable Trust — Minor Subdivision, Map 51, Lot 24. There were no abutters present. Robert & Karen Mossman were present and represented by Jeff Green.

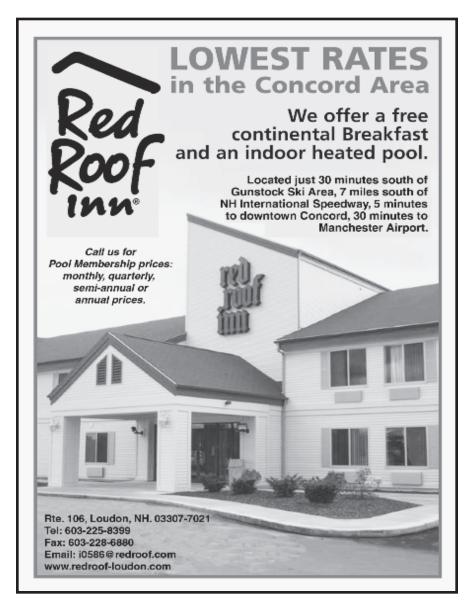
Mr. Green explained the location of the property on Clough Hill Road. He said they are proposing a two lot subdivision of the parcel with an existing house and existing buildings on the lot. The parcel is 14.156 acres with a garage and house, storage, business garage, and office with a gated, graveled entryway to the business. Mr. Green said the applicants are breaking off a lot so one or the other could be sold. The existing residence would be left on a lot of 2.475 acres with 1.73 acres of buildable area and 201' of frontage. The other lot would include the business on 11.682 acres, 2.74 acres of buildable area to the wooded break line shown on the plan. This lot would have 208' of frontage. There is an existing well and leach field on each proposed lot. Mr. Green said the average slopes are 15-20%; there are some areas at 26%. Some of the slopes are because of development on the lot. There is one area of 25% natural slope, there are no wetlands, and the property is not in a flood zone.

Mr. Green stated that the applicants went to the ZBA on May 22, 2014 to allow the division of the property, leaving the business on a lot of its own as shown on the plan. He does not yet have State sub-division approval. *Henry Huntington moved to accept the application as complete and move to public hearing; seconded by Bob Cole. All were in favor.* Tom Dow asked about the ZBA approval. Mr. Green said it was permission to allow a sub-division with the existing business on its own lot. He said a house can't be built on it unless it is a separate lot. Bob Cole asked the history of the property. Mr. Green explained that it is a

residential lot, approved for the business in the late 80s. In 1989 they went for an expansion of the business with an office, garage, and storage. He said they came to the Town for approval for a stand-alone business, not a home occupation. He said it will still be a residential lot and would be okay as long as the type of business is the same as what is currently there. Mr. Cole spoke about a property his family had in another town, explaining that once the business use stopped the lot reverted to residential as it was in a residential district. Mr. Cole said his concern would be of a new owner and the type of business that could be on this property. Mr. Green stated that a new owner would have to come back to the Board for a change of use. He said if the new owner had an office and same basic business it would be okay and no change of use would be needed. He said the applicants could actually sell the house and build a new house on the lot with the business. He said they are looking to downsize. Mr. Green said what is there is what is allowed; the ZBA allowed them to separate them and now they are here to meet the requirements of the Land Development Regulations.

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Tom Dow stated that he worked for Mr. Mossman for a number of years but has to take the position of looking at all applications with eyes wide open; it does not matter who the owner might be. He asked if this would be a non-conforming lot/use. He said it would be creating a commercial lot in a residential area, providing it to be on its own lot. Mr. Green said it was determined to be a stand-alone business. He said a new residence cannot be put on the lot as it is now so they have to subdivide first. Henry Huntington asked if there was discussion at the ZBA hearing of this being a commercial lot in a residential zone, how it was justified, and if any conditions were attached to the decision. Mr. Green said there was some



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discussion about future owners/uses; it was felt that the control is in having to do a change of use. Tom Dow asked what happens if nobody ever builds a house up there, leaving a commercial property on Clough Hill Road that nobody else could do. Mr. Green spoke about another property (greenhouses) that he represented some years ago; Board members agreed that was agricultural, not commercial as in this case. Mr. Dow said he is still confused and concerned about the Board being known for allowing commercial businesses in residential zones. Mr. Green said the business is not tied to the house and that was the line of hardship. Mr. Dow said the grandfathered use exists with the residence at 142 Clough Hill Road. He said the use goes with the land, in this case #142. He said once the line goes in, the business is on another lot and no longer #142. Board members agreed that a use runs with the land. There was discussion to clarify the approved use. Donna read from 1997 PB minutes that they were 'asking for the enlargement of an existing business being Interstate Concrete'. Jeff Green stated that it was approved to be separate as a business and they went to the ZBA to allow this subdivision. He said they followed the channels available through the Town.

Stan Prescott asked if Interstate Concrete still exists. Mr. Green said it does. Mr. Prescott clarified that there is business going on there. Mr. Green stated that the business still exists; trucks, equipment, etc are still there. He said the books are still open and under operating conditions. He said they have eighteen months before a use is considered discontinued. Henry Huntington asked if they are saying it would have to remain that kind of business, office, storage, and garage or only a concrete business. Mr. Green said the applicants were approved in 1989 for a proposed office, storage, and existing garage. He said that he feels the maintenance of vehicles, storage, and office would be an acceptable use, something not open to the public; any changes would require a change of use.

Bob Cole said his concern is what happens in the future. Mr. Green noted that all abutters were notified and none are here so there can't be too much concern. Stan Prescott said he felt a site walk would be in order. Several Board members agreed. A site walk was scheduled for Wednesday, September 10th at 4:00 p.m. Mr. Prescott asked Mr. Green to straighten out the line between the two lots. Mr. Green explained the reasoning for the line pointed out by Mr. Prescott. He said the line is parallel to the existing building and the boundary line. He said it also accommodated the landscaping and well. Tom Moore asked if it made any sense to have a proposed house location on the plan or if a condition could be that a house has to be on the lot in order for the business to continue. He said it would be easier to see a business on the lot with a homeowner on site for better control of the property's appearance and noise. Stan Prescott asked the applicants if their intentions are to keep the property and rent it out or sell. He asked them to think about the future use, the condition, losing control of the property's appearance if sold. He said the property is grandfathered for a concrete business.

Stan Prescott made a motion to continue the hearing to a site walk on September 10th and then to the next meeting; seconded by Henry Huntington. All were in favor. The next meeting will be on September 18th at 6:00 p.m. in the Community Building. There will be no further notification.

Board Discussion:

Parking Permits — The Board reviewed a copy of the parking lot report that was submitted by the Fire Department for the July 13th race parking. There was discussion on who would be the enforcement for the daytime parking permits issued by the Planning Board. It was agreed that Donna should send letters of deficiency to those permit holders noted in the report. All permit holders will be reminded that overnight camping is limited to family where no compensation is involved.

Zoning Amendments — Board members were asked to review the Zoning Ordinance for any possible amendments on next year's ballot. There were none mentioned at this time.

Capital Improvement Program — Donna will soon be scheduling the first CIP meeting and sending letters out to all departments, boards, and committees. Stan Prescott and Bob Cole said they will continue to participate on the CIP committee.

Report of the ZBA:

There are two applications on this month's agenda: 1) Sthua Sliva for an appeal of an administrative decision and 2) Leo Boucher for a special exception for reduced setback (both continued from last month).

Report of the Board of Permit:

Stan Prescott reported that there was no meeting this month.

Adjournment:

Stan Prescott made a motion to adjourn at 8:33 p.m.; seconded by Tom Moore. All were in favor.

Submitted by,

Donna White, Administrative Assistant

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Zoning Board Meeting Minutes — August 28, 2014

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

ROLL CALL

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The following members were present: Chairman Dave Powelson, Howard Pearl, Ned Lizotte, Earl Tuson, and alternates George Saunderson and Charlie Aznive.

Alternate George Saunderson was appointed as a voting member in the absence of Roy Merrill.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Regular Hearing — Earl Tuson moved to accept the minutes of July 24, 2014 as written; seconded by George Saunderson. All were in favor.

Boucher Site Walk — Howard Pearl made a motion to approve the minutes of July 29, 2014 as printed; seconded by George Saunderson. All were in favor.

PUBLIC HEARING

Application #Z14-08, Sthua & Colleen Sliva — Appeal of an Administrative Decision, RR District, Map 12, Lot 3 on Bee Hole Road. The applicants and their attorney, Diane Puckhaber, were present. There were no abutters present. Ned Lizotte recused himself from this case; Charlie Aznive was appointed as a voting member. Chairman Powelson reviewed the appli-

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cation and read from the cease and desist issued by Code Enforcement Officer Fiske. Ms. Puckhaber asked for time to review the minutes of the site visit. Mr. Powelson stated that those attending the site visit saw the new roof on an existing bay, the lean-to with a camper trailer, and an addition on the back of the garage where people were staying. Mr. Sliva said they did have some homeless people there but at this time it is just a safety room for the business. Charlie Aznive asked to clarify the points of the complaint, saying he listed them as multiple dwellings on the property, sheltering the homeless, and the garage having a common wall with an inhabited area. He said he thinks that is where the Code Enforcement Officer is coming from due to carbon monoxide poisoning, etc. Dave Powelson read through the specific complaints, noting that "no building permit" is listed three

times. Mr. Sliva clarified that the bay with the lift has been there for several years, it just has a new trussed roof.

Attorney Puckhaber asked what would be considered a practical solution. She said this is a family letting another family stay in the camper. Charlie Aznive said sheltering the homeless is honorable but leads to other issues. Earl Tuson pointed out that the Zoning Ordinance does not permit two dwelling units on the same property. Dave Powelson returned to the points of the cease & desist order. There was no building permit for the roof; next, there were people in the trailer and a roof had been put over the trailer with no building permit. He said the Zoning Ordinance is fairly clear about additional dwelling units. He noted that the Zoning Ordinance does have provision for someone to stay in a camper for twenty-one days; there is no particular rule for having a camper kept out of the weather.

Ms. Puckhaber said the applicants are helping someone and those people are asking the town for help to get into some type of housing. Earl Tuson stated that the Zoning Ordinance is voted on by Loudon voters, the Board members are also voted in by those voters and the Board is responsible for upholding the Ordinance. Ms. Puckhaber said the camper has been there for twenty years. She said the easy solution would be to vacate the camper but that does not seem reasonable as it puts more burden on the Town to help the people staying there. Mrs. Sliva said they respect the Ordinance and are working with the family. She said they are working very hard to get assistance for housing so that issue will be resolved before long. Charlie Aznive said again that he is guessing that carbon monoxide is a concern of Bob Fiske, although he is not here to confirm that.

Howard Pearl asked to clarify the process to be followed by the Board on an Administrative Appeal. Chairman Powelson said the Board has the power to hear and decide an appeal. He read from page 77 of the Zoning Ordinance with regard to appeals. Mr. Pearl said he feels no immediate cease and desist is necessary. He noted that the applicants are long-time residents

and there is an end to the living situation in sight. Charlie Aznive said he feels the essence of Mr. Fiske's issue was probably the inhabitation and safety. The Board discussed a variety of resolutions to the points of the appeal. George Saunderson made a motion that the Administrative Appeal be resolved with the following points: 1) Camper will be vacated within twenty-one days from this date; 2) The applicant will apply for a building permit for the roof over the lift bay within seven days from this date; 3) The applicant will apply for a building permit for the secondary roof/lean-to over the camper within seven days from this date; 4) The applicant will apply for a building permit for the safety room added at the back of the garage within seven days from this date; 5) Planning Board approval for the expansion of an existing business does not apply; 6) Habitation of safety room is not permitted; 7) Failure to do so may result in up to two hundred seventy-five dollars per day fine. Howard Pearl seconded the motion. A roll vote was taken: Charlie Aznive - yes; Earl Tuson - yes; Dave Powelson – yes; Howard Pearl – yes; George Saunderson – yes.

Roy Merrill arrived shortly after the first hearing started. George Saunderson returned to an Alternate position after the vote. Charlie Aznive also returned to an Alternate position.

Application #Z14-11, Leo Boucher — Special Exception for reduced front setback, RR District, Map 58, Lot 62. The applicant was unable to attend the meeting; he appointed Bill Gordon to act on his behalf. There were no other abutters present.

Earl Tuson said he did not get to the site visit so he would like a little more information from those who did attend. Chairman Powelson said there was discussion of the

garage, its size and location. He said the line of stakes appeared to be approximately $4\frac{1}{2}$ from the bound. Howard Pearl noted that there was not a lot of room to move away from the road without encroaching on the septic too much. Mr. Tuson asked the dimensions of the proposed garage. Mr. Gordon said it would be $30' \times 40'$. He explained that Mr. Boucher was married last night: his wife is a large animal veterinarian and will need space for her truck when coming back to NH. He said Mr. Boucher does not want the garage to overpower the house. Dave Rice has been to look at the site and is in agreement with the reduced setback as long as the doors are not facing the road; that would not allow enough room for a car to be parked between the garage and the road.

Earl Tuson and Ned Lizotte stated that they did not attend the site visit so they would like the alternates who did attend to vote. Charlie Aznive and George Saunderson were appointed as voting members for this matter.

The chairman went through the points of the application with the Board. Howard Pearl made a motion to approve the application with a 5' front setback from the property line; seconded by Roy Merrill. A roll vote was taken: George Saunderson – yes; Howard Pearl – yes; Roy Merrill – yes; Dave Powelson - yes; Charlie Aznive - yes. Unanimous - PASSED

ADJOURNMENT

Howard Pearl made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:53 p.m.; seconded by Roy Merrill. All were in favor.

Submitted by, Donna White Administrative Assistant

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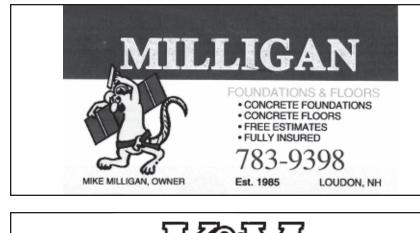
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12	13 COLUMBUS DAY 5pm•Library Trustees 6pm•Yoga @ Library 7pm•Loudon Fire Department	14 10:15am • Young at Heart Hart's Turkey Farm Trip. Meet at Cong. Church by 10:15am 10:30am • Story Time @ Library 1-3pm • VNA Flue Clinic @ Com. Bldg. 1pm • Yoga @ Library 6pm • Selectmen's Meeting @ Com. Bldg. 6:30pm • Girl Scouts @ Library in Children's Craft Room	15 MIDTERMS ISSUED 2pm•Story Time @ Library 2-4pm•Creative Wednesday @ Library 6:30pm•All Cub Scouts @ LES 6:30pm•Fa-Bingo @ Library 7pm•Sit 'n Stitch @ Library 7pm•Legion and Auxiliary	16 10:30am•Story Time @ Library 11am•Chair Yoga @ Library 3:30–5•LEGO Club @ Library 6pm•Yoga @ Library 7pm•Fiction/Nonfiction Book Group @ Library 7pm•Planning Board @ Com. Bldg. 7–9pm•Candidates Forum @ Town Hall	 17 DEADLINE FOR THE NOVEMBER ISSUE OF THE LOUDON LEDGER 6–8pm•Girl & Boy Scouts Halloween Party @ LES to Benefit Food Pantry 	18 5–7•LOUDON FIRE DEPT. HARVEST SUPPER 6pm•Potluck Fellowship Supper @ Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church followed by music at 7 pm
19	20 6pm•Yoga @ Library 6:30pm•Happy Hills 4H @ Com. Bldg.	21 10:30am • Story Time @ Library 1pm • Yoga @ Library 4-8pm • LES Scholastic Book Fair Family Buy Night 6pm • Selectmen's Meeting @ Com. Bldg. 6pm • 4H/Oxen @ Miles Smith Farm 6:30pm • Communications Council @ LES 7pm • Lions Club @ Library	22 2pm•Story Time @ Library 2-4pm•Creative Wednesday @ Library 6pm•Daisies @ Library 6:30pm•Recreation Committee @ Library 7pm•Sit 'n Stitch @ Library	23 10-4•Community Action @ Library 10:30am•Story Time @ Library 11am•Chair Yoga @ Library 3:30-5•LEGO Club @ Library 6pm•Yoga @ Library 7pm•Zoning Board @ Com. Bldg.	24	25 8-2•Craft Fair and Bake Sale @ Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church 9–1•Book Sale @ Library
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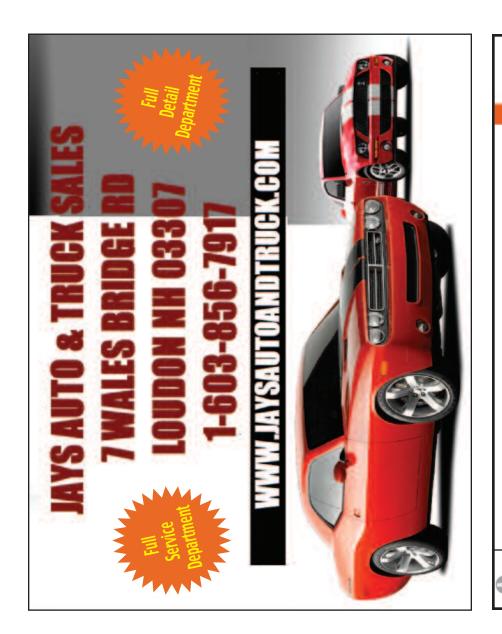
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