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Loudon Old Home Day FIRED UP!



This year's Old Home Day theme was "Fired Up" in honor of the 75th Anniversary of the Loudon Fire Department. Lots more pictures and winners inside this issue of *The Loudon Ledger*.

Congratulations to the Winners of "Guess the Correct Weight and Value" of the Cardboard Bale!

By LeeAnn Childress, Loudon Transfer Station & Recycling Committee

Congratulations to the winners who guessed the closest to the actual amounts:

- **Dennis Jakubowski** with a guess of 1,400 pounds
- **George Saunderson** with a guess of \$52.00

The actual weight of the bale of cardboard was 1,380 pounds and the value was \$51.75.

The Recycling Committee had a great time at the Old Home Day celebration this year. We really enjoyed talking with all the people who were interested in learning more about the importance of recycling.

Everyone is welcome to join the committee. If you are interested, send

us a message at loudonrecycles@comcast.net and we'll give you more information on when and where we meet.

And remember if you are still interested in purchasing a compost bin (for \$55) and other recycling items, just head on down to the Transfer Station to make your purchase. The crew there is more than happy to help you!

Thanks for Recycling! ■

Mission Statement...

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

Town of Loudon Office Hours
Selectmen’s Office

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

Town Clerk

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

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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.
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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.

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PO Box 7059 • 798-5584 • rfiske@loudoncodeenforcement.com
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday: 9 a.m.–3:00 p.m.

Fire Department: Emergencies: 911

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

Loudon Elementary School

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

Transfer Station

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

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

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

John O. Cate Memorial Van

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

Loudon Food Pantry

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

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Loudon Ledger Submission Policy

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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March 2015 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 2/13 Council Meeting: Tues. 2/17

April 2015 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 3/20 Council Meeting: Tues. 3/24

May 2015 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 4/17 Council Meeting: Tues. 4/21

June 2015 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 5/15 Council Meeting: Tues. 5/19

July 2015 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 6/19 Council Meeting: Tues. 6/23

August 2015 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 7/17 Council Meeting: Tues. 7/21

September 2015 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 8/21 Council Meeting: Tues. 8/25

October 2015 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 9/18 Council Meeting: Tues. 9/22

November 2015 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 10/16 Council Meeting: Tues. 10/20

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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 9:45 a.m. (Nursery provided.)
Children’s Worship: Bible Explorers for ages 3 up to 5th Grade (First service only.)
Youth Group for Grades 6–12: Sundays 6:00 p.m.
Bible Study: Thurs. 9:30 a.m. (3rd Thursday of the month, meets at noon)
FCBC also has ministries for Men, Women, and Seniors.



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



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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 M. Young, Pastor
433 Clough Hill Road. Mailing address: P.O. Box 7852, Loudon, NH 03307
Proud member of the American Baptist Churches of VT/NH (Lakes Area Association)
Sunday Services: 9:30 a.m.
For information on scheduled events, call Gayle Doyle at 435-0496 or email: gad022948@gmail.com. For general church information, call Henry A. Welch, Head Trustee at 608-5833 (days) or 435-6510 (evenings).



Loudon Congregational Church

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



New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene

Senior Pastor Rev. Joshua T. Johnson
Youth Pastor Brian Bollinger
Visitation Pastor Rev. Mike Matthews
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.



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

LOUDON CHURCH NEWS

New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene

Former Pastor Returns To New Beginnings Nazarene Church For Special Weekend Services

Pastor Kevin Hardy, well known for his charismatic personality and powerful preaching style, will speak at several services in Loudon.

New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene at 33 Staniels Road in Loudon will host special weekend revival services September 11–13 with former senior pastor, Kevin Hardy. All are welcome to attend.

Pastor Hardy served as pastor of New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene when it was located on Rockingham Drive in Concord. He began with a congregation of less than 25 in 1993 and after seven years the building was bursting at the seams with more than 200 attending two Sunday services.

Pastor Hardy is currently the senior pastor of Crossroads Church of the Nazarene just outside of Baltimore, MD. Crossroads Church has grown from 275 to more than 750 members during his tenure.

“I’ve heard so many great things about Kevin and his history with this church,” says Pastor Josh Johnson, current senior pastor of New Beginnings. “We want to invite everyone to come out and hear the dynamic word that God has laid on Kevin’s heart for this community.”

In his last year in Concord, Pastor Hardy helped secure the purchase of property on Staniels Road in Loudon for the construction of two buildings that house the church today.

“I’m extremely excited about reuniting with many friends from my first pastoral ministry in Concord,” says Pastor Hardy. “We share so many memories and I’m thrilled that the church continues to minister to people in the greater Concord area. It’s going to be a great weekend, and I hope to visit with good friends and meet a lot of new folks.”

Pastor Hardy will preach a series of messages during services held Friday and Saturday evenings at 7 p.m. and on Sunday morning at 10:30 a.m.

He is a Boston native, a graduate of Eastern Nazarene College in Quincy, MA, and a passionate fan of Boston sports teams. He and his wife, Jane, have three children.



Landmark Baptist Church Master Clubs Kids Program!

This is a program every Wednesday night from 6:30–8:00 p.m. for kids 5 years old to 6th grade. It is a fun time where children learn the Bible, memorize verses, play exciting games and are able to earn badges, patches and ribbons. This program runs through the school year. While the kids are in Master Clubs there is a church service for teens and adults from 7:00–8:00 pm. If there any questions please call or email 603.798.3818/www.landmarkbaptistchurchnh.info.

Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church

It’s that time of year again. LCFB Church will be beginning our *Monthly Fellowship Suppers* on Sept.19th at 5:30 p.m. in the Lower Hall. Helping us celebrate the coming of Autumn will be the ever popular “*Dump Run Gang*.” We have a wonderful line up of entertainment for this season. Make sure you mark your calendars for the Third Saturday of each month and bring your friends and family. This is a joyful and inexpensive way to bring family and friends together. The suppers and entertainment are free. We hope to see you there!

Plans are moving along nicely for LCFB Church “*OKTOBERFEST*” to be held on October 3rd from 9:00 a.m. till 2:00 p.m. A great band from Springfield, VT, Middle River Gospel Band, will be providing the entertainment. The menu is set: Steamed Hot dogs, Sauerkraut and Kielbasa Grinders, Homemade Potato Salad, Bavarian Pretzels, and hot and cold drinks. There are still tables available, but they are moving quickly. Reserve yours before we run out.

Email Gayle Doyle: gad022948@gmail.com for a reservation form. Inside tables are only \$30.00 and come with electricity, 8-foot table, and two chairs (bring a friend along); outdoor spaces are 12 x 12 for \$25.00 (Vendors provides their own setup).

Come join us for a fun-filled day of fellowship, good music, yummy food, and a wonderful variety of Vendors and Crafters. For more information, please call Lorraine Welch at 603-435-1065 or Gayle Doyle at 603-435-0496.

Loudon Congregational Church Pastor’s Installation Ceremony Scheduled

Please mark your calendars for Sunday, October 11, 2015, 3:00 p.m. to attend the formal installation ceremony of the Rev. Maurice (Moe) Cormier at the Loudon Congregational Church, 7018 Church Street, Loudon, NH. Pastor Moe has been called as the church’s settled Pastor and we invite you to join us for this wonderful occasion. ■

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Agriculture Commission To Hold Annual Meeting

The Loudon Agriculture Commission will be hosting their annual meeting on Thursday, October 1st from 7 to 9 p.m. at the community building behind the Town Offices.

We invite you to come, partake in some refreshments, and tell us what you would like to see in 2016. We will be holding a brainstorming session on events and ideas we can host throughout the year. Are there things you see being done in other towns you would like to see happen in Loudon? Have an idea you would like to share with us? Bring it along.

One of the many duties of an agriculture commission is to "Conduct activities to recognize, promote, enhance, and encourage agriculture, agricultural resources and agricultural-based economic opportunities."

We are a non-town funded commission. In order to host events we rely on volunteers, donations, and grants. We want to continue to provide workshops and seminars free of charge for the public. Please come and provide your feedback and, if you can, volunteer to help with an event.

Loudon Agriculture: Upcoming Events

The Beekeeping Seminar is being held Thursday, October 8th at 6 p.m. Randall Davis from the Seacoast Area Beekeepers Association will be presenting and will bring samples of hives and equipment to demonstrate. This is a great way to dip your toes into the world of beekeeping, ask questions, and learn how you can either be a beekeeper yourself or how you can support honeybees in your garden. This is free to the public, so please join us.

Grant Writing for Farmers is being held Thursday, November 12th at 6 p.m. Susan Poland, Business Programs Specialist for the USDA's Rural Development in Vermont and New Hampshire will be joining us along with Carole Soule from Miles Smith Farm, a recipient of many successful grants. The workshop will provide tools to write a successful VAPG (Value Added Producer Grant) and LFPP (Local Food Promotion Program) application.

Other farm grant opportunities will also be discussed. Bring your ideas and come ready with paper and pencil in hand. This is a great opportunity to pick the brains of those who approve or have been approved for grants, brainstorm with other farmers on ideas, and learn about the many farm grant opportunities that exist today. It's more than you think. This session is also free to the public. See more information in the article appearing on page 4 in this *Ledger*.

Please pre-register for either workshop by contacting Cindy Shea at 603-660-9108 or cindy_shea@comcast.net.

Our workshops are brought to you, free of charge, through grants, donations and volunteers. Please join us at any of our monthly meetings held the first Thursday of each month at 7pm at the Community Building behind the Town Offices. ■

The Sun Could Cost You Your Life!

By Elizabeth West

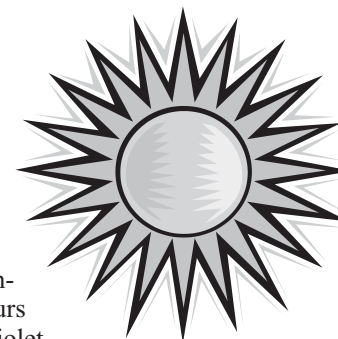
Did you know that one blistering sun burn or five sunburns over your life will more than double your chances of getting melanoma (skin cancer)! According to skincancer.org one person dies from melanoma every hour.

The best way to protect yourself is to wear sunscreen when outdoors or to seek shade. The hours of 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. have the strongest ultra violet (UV) rays and thus is the most dangerous time of day. Don't be fooled, 80% of UV rays come through the clouds, thus you still need sunscreen on a cloudy day. Contrary to what people may think, you still need to wear sunscreen in the winter as well, given that the UV rays still pose a threat.

When applying sunscreen, two tablespoons or more of SPF30 is appropriate. Don't forget to use lip balm with SPF as well and sunglasses to protect your eyes. A helpful website with more information on the best sunscreens to use is www.ewg.org.

You can be safe in the sun, but you need to be smart and protect yourself.

Thank you very much for reading this article. I am working on a Girl Scout project to increase the awareness of the dangers of the sun. ■



Food Bank Presents "Care To Share" Benefit Concert

Care To Share, a non-profit rock music concert to benefit the NH Food Bank, is scheduled for Sunday, September 20, 2015, at Capital Center For The Arts, 44 S. Main St., Concord, NH 03301. Show starts at 2:00 p.m. and goes to 6:00 p.m. and is only \$10. The concert will feature headliner *Red Sky Mary* along with *Charlie Farren*. Also including local artist *Hanging Scarlet*, *Feisty Pants*, and also *Craig Kendall* in a joint effort to raise funds to support the NH Food bank that helps local families and soup kitchens.

Tickets for Care to Share are on sale now at the Capital Center For The Arts box office and online at ccanh.com. There will be tickets sold the day of the show but get them soon as this should be a full show. All profits will go directly to the NH Food Bank.

For more information please contact Joe Cadrette, Event Director, at 603-783-0103. ■

CORRECTION:

Last month we printed a photo of the MVHS Class of 2015 in the centerspread of the paper.

We neglected to credit the photo to Art Swenson Photography, Loudon, NH.

Our apologies to Art. Thank you for sharing the class picture with us.

FREE COMMUNITY DINNER

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2015

Serving dinner at 4:30-6:30 p.m.

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.

THE LOUDON AGRICULTURE COMMISSION
proudly presents the following workshop:

BEEKEEPING

Randall Davis from the
Seacoast Beekeepers Association
will be presenting on

Thursday October 8th from 6-8 at the
Community Building in Loudon.

This seminar is offered FREE OF CHARGE,
however donations are welcome.



Please pre-register by emailing Cindy Shea at
cindy_shea@comcast.net or call 603-660-9108.



August 11, 2015

To all my friends and Residents of Loudon:

After nearly 44 years serving as your Police Chief, as well as the past 20 years serving as the Code Enforcement Officer, Building Inspector, Health Inspector and in recent years, Emergency Management Director, this letter will serve as my official notice of retirement from these duties effective September 20, 2015.

When I started in 1969, after returning from Vietnam, I was the youngest Police Chief in the State of NH at the age of 21. Although I took a brief break for approximately 3 years early in my career, it was evident that the profession pulled me back into the force.

In the many years I have worked for the residents of the Town of Loudon, I have seen a magnitude of changes. From a small, 2 person police force that was based from my home residence with my personal vehicle, to the fully staffed police department that consists of 6 full time officers and up to 6 part time police officers, an administrative assistant and dispatcher, fully equipped cruisers, to include a mobile command unit and trailer. In addition, several grants have been obtained over the years to oversee the various threats we need to remain vigilant of such as the emergency command unit, surveillance cameras, and emergency response procedures which deal with the major venue that hosts major races.

It has truly been a rewarding and pleasurable experience working for the residents of Loudon. I feel somewhat guilty in leaving my employ because of the close relationship that I have gained with all of our residents.

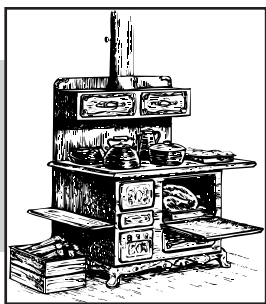
Although I will miss interacting with town folks on a daily basis in my chosen profession(s), it has come time for me to step back and look forward to enjoying a long and healthy retirement.

I cannot express enough gratitude to the residents over the years and have been truly humbled by your unwavering support. It has been an honor and privilege to serve and protect the residents of Loudon.

I look forward to being involved in the transitioning of my positions to persons qualified to continue the tasks.

In closing, I would like to commend the men and women of the Loudon Police Department for their dedication and professionalism to duty. It has been a true brotherhood and I will miss them dearly.

*Sincerely,
Robert N. Fiske*



What's Cookin'! Healthy Meals In A Hurry

By Jenn Pfeifer

Back to school again! Summer is over and we are all trying to get back into some sort of a routine. Juggling work, school, meetings, sports and after-school activities can make the thought of preparing dinner can have us reaching for the phone to order pizza. I have to admit that I love take out but I also like getting home at night and having dinner almost ready. Here are some easy recipes that won't take you long to have a healthy meal on the table.

CROCK POT RANCH PORK CHOPS — www.yummly.com

- 2 Cans Cream of Chicken soup
- 4-6 Pork Chops
- 1 packet Ranch dip mix

Combine all of the ingredients in the crockpot and cook on high for 4 hours or low for 6-7 hours. Serve over mashed potatoes, rice or toast.

CHILI CHEESE DOG CASSEROLE — By The Gracious Wife

This is an easy recipe inspired by chili cheese dogs combined with the comfort and ease of a casserole.

- 1 package of crescent rolls
- 8 hot dogs
- 8 slices of cheddar or American cheese
- 1 can of no-beans chili
- 1 cup shredded cheddar
- optional: onions for topping

Unroll your crescent rolls and break apart so you have 8 triangles. Place a piece of American cheese on each triangle and then a hot dog. Roll them up and put them in a greased 9 x 13 baking dish. Put in a 350° oven for about 10-12 minutes, until they barely start to turn golden. Take them back out of the oven and pour the chili over your rolls. Top with the shredded cheddar and onions. Put the dish back in the oven for another 10-15 minutes, until the rolls are cooked through.

CREAMY GREEN CHILE CHICKEN ENCHILADAS — By Coffee With Us 3

- 2 cups green enchilada sauce
- 2-3 cups chopped, cooked chicken
- 4 oz. green chiles
- 2 cups sour cream (or 2 cups plain yogurt)
- 6-8 flour tortillas
- 1/2 cup Mexican blend cheese

Preheat oven to 325 degrees. In a large skillet, heat enchilada sauce, chicken, green chiles, and sour cream until bubbly. In the meantime, cut tortillas in half, and then into strips. Spread 1/2 a cup of the sauce in the bottom of a 9x13 pan. Spread half of the tortilla strips over the sauce. Spread with 1-1/2 cups of the sauce. Spread the other half of the tortilla strips. Top with remaining sauce, and then the cheese. Bake uncovered for 15-20 minutes until heated through and sauce is bubbly.

SKINNY SALMON BURGERS — By Rachelle

- 15 oz. Pink Salmon (in cans or pouches)
- 1 cup Panko Breadcrumbs
- 1/3 cup Green Onions (chopped)
- 1 tbsp. Dijon Mustard
- 1 tbsp. Light Mayo
- 1 egg
- 1/2 tsp. Salt
- 1/2 tsp. Pepper
- 2 tsp. Old Bay Seasoning
- Whole Wheat Buns

Preheat your oven to 375 degrees. In a large bowl combine everything but the buns and mix with your hands to combine. Spray a baking pan with olive oil. Form patties using your hand and place them on the baking sheet about an inch apart. Bake for 25 minutes on 375. Serve on buns with your favorite veggies and sauces! (May I suggest a little plain greek yogurt mixed with some hot sauce for a yummy super low calorie topping? You're welcome!)

CHEESE STEAK QUESADILLAS — www.easypeasypleasy.com

- 1 lb. beef sirloin steak, cut in thin strips
- 1 bell pepper, sliced
- 1 onion, sliced
- 2 teaspoon season salt, divided
- 1 teaspoon steak seasoning
- 1 teaspoon pepper, divided
- 16 slices provolone cheese
- 4 large flour tortillas
- canola oil
- non-stick cooking spray

For the steak — combine the sliced steak, 1 teaspoon season salt, steak seasoning, and 1/2 teaspoon pepper in a Ziplock bag. Mix until the seasoning has evenly coated the steak. Heat 1 tablespoon of oil in a cast iron skillet over medium high heat. Sear sliced steak in batches for 1 to 2 minutes per side depending on how done you like your steak. Do not over crowd the pan. Add 1 tablespoon of oil if the pan gets to dry.

While the steak is cooking, get your veggies sauteing.

For onions and peppers — heat 1 tablespoon oil over medium heat in a large skillet. Toss in sliced onion and bell pepper. Sprinkle with 1 teaspoon season salt and 1/2 teaspoon pepper. Saute veggies for 8 to 10 minutes stirring frequently.

Now assemble the quesadillas. Heat large skillet or griddle on medium high heat. Spray with non-stick cooking spray. Place flour tortilla on pan. Lay 4 slices of Provolone cheese evenly on the flour tortilla. On one side, top with steak. On the opposite side, top with the sauteed peppers and onion. Once the cheese has melted, fold the flour tortilla in half. Remove from the skillet and cut into 4 wedges. Eat and enjoy!

CHOCOLATE PEANUT BUTTER NO-BAKE COOKIES — www.yummly.com

This is by far my son's favorite cookie and it couldn't be easier to make.

- 1/2 Cup Butter
- 2 Cups Sugar
- 1/2 Cup Milk
- 4 Tbsp. Cocoa
- 1/2 Cup Peanut Butter
- 3-3 1/2 Cup quick cooking oats
- 2 tsp. vanilla

Add the first 4 ingredients in a saucepan. Bring to a rolling boil, and boil for 1 minute. Stir in the next 3 ingredients and drop onto wax/foil paper. Let cool until set.

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

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Loudon Police Department News

By Robert N. Fiske, Chief of Police

We are receiving a lot of calls regarding the many different scams going around. Whether through the mail, e-mail, phone calls or someone knocking on your door — if it sounds too good to be true, in all probability, *it's not true*. The most recent scams we have been dealing with concern mostly elderly residents. A phone call is received about their “grandchild” (and the caller knows the grandchild’s name, in most cases) being in an accident or under arrest. They will state they need money and give directions to go purchase particular credit cards at local stores or the bank and they will call back for the PIN number on the back. Another prevalent scam is a check is received in the mail for a significant amount of money (usually between \$5,000–\$9,000). The check looks totally authentic. Again, if you are not expecting a check from a known reputable company, it is most likely a scam. The other type of scam is a phone call from the “IRS” and that they have a warrant for your arrest unless you pay a sum of past due monies. Obviously the IRS would not initiate these types of calls and their communication would be done via regular postal mail. We also receive calls regarding e-mails received that a package was attempted to be delivered either by USPS, UPS or Fed Ex and asks you to click on an attachment which is usually a zip file. Do not open this type of file. Please talk to your elderly parents and relatives regarding these scams and please do not hesitate to call the police department if you receive one of these calls.

As everyone knows, Route 106 and Staniels Road traffic lights are operative. I have written a letter to the Commissioner of Safety to hopefully reduce the speed limit there as we were originally led to believe would happen at our public meeting. Also, a major concern of mine is the double lane both south and northbound. After observing the intersection for quite some time, it is apparent that when people are stopped at the red light and it turns green, the people behind are veering to the right lane to get ahead of the through-lane commuters.

One last concern is that when the through lights turn yellow and then red, people are still trying to beat the red light when the east and westbound light turns green.

In the best interest of safety, I ask that the commuter traffic be extra careful, particularly noting that the speed limit is still 55 MPH.

Recently we have experienced two residential burglaries in town. A reminder that when you leave your residence, we suggest you secure your house, including windows and doors. In addition, our biggest help comes from neighbors watching neighbors. If something looks out of the ordinary or looks suspicious, please do not hesitate to call us. Also, if you know you are leaving your residence for an extended period of time, perhaps a long weekend or a week’s vacation, we encourage you to contact us so we can do extra checks of your house while you are away. Consider using timers for your interior lights, have neighbors keep an extra eye, and stop delivery of your newspaper and mail.

School is now back in session! Keep careful and watch for the children who are out and about on our roadways.

The September NASCAR race will be on September 27, 2015. Once again I would like to thank the residents for their patience during the past race. I would like to remind the residents that race traffic will become increasingly busy the week prior to the race itself. Please plan accordingly and remember road closures for the NASCAR races will be on Sunday only. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Finally, in closing, I thank the residents of the Town of Loudon for the 44 years of support. As I begin the next phase of my life in a healthy retirement, I will miss the interaction and support I have had from the residents over the years. I will do my utmost to help in the transition in hiring a new Police Chief.

As always, if you have any comments or suggestions, please contact me week-days at 798-5521 or via e-mail at loudonpd@loudonpolice.com or chieffiske@loudonpolice.com. ■



Association President Searles, left, donates the new forestry pump to department Chief Wright.

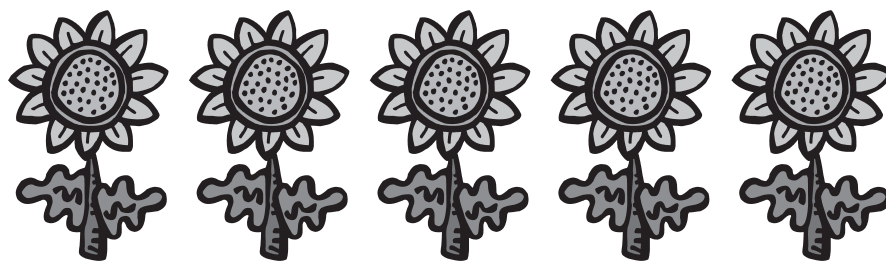
Loudon Firefighters Association Donates Forestry Pump to Department

The Loudon Firefighters Association would like to thank everyone who participated in the Loudon Old Home Day. Thanks to all who came to our stand for their support. The stand raised around \$400 that will be added into the fund to purchase a new Thermal Imaging Camera. Many thanks also goes to Brookside Pizza for their continued support of us.

During the rough brush fire season that came upon us this past spring, we found there was a need for a piece of equipment. The Loudon Firefighters Association is very proud to be donating a new forestry pump to the Loudon Fire Department. This pump is a compact in size for easy maneuverability and gives the fire department the ability to obtain water supplies where regular pumps or trucks would not be capable of accessing. Thanks to everyone’s continued support, we were able to make this purchase from our equipment fund.

As an early reminder the Loudon Firefighters Association will be holding our annual Harvest Supper on October 17, 2015. This will be held at the Arthur Colby Safety Complex Loudon Fire Department on Cooper St.

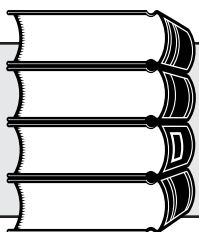
The association would like to remind all the town residents to have your house numbers clearly marked. This ensures any apparatus responding will be able to clearly get to your residence as timely as possible. ■



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Maxfield Public Library News

Meet The Director

On July 13, 2015, after a careful search for the perfect candidate, the Trustees hired Deborah Gadwah-Lambert as our new Library Director. Debbi is a native of Colebrook, NH and has been the library director in Canaan, VT, as well as Allenstown, NH. She is a past president of the Vermont Library Association and contributing member to the Vermont Early Literacy Initiative.

The Board of Trustees invite you to meet Debbi at an Open House, Saturday, September 12 and Saturday, September 19, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Please drop in and join us for light refreshments, as we welcome Debbi to Loudon.

Summer Reading Program

The library was full of super heroes this summer! Children and teens of Loudon read about the different types of heroes all summer: animal heroes, community heroes, Greek heroes, and heroes throughout history. The children recognized community heroes by adding pictures to our “Capeless Heroes” bulletin board (come in and check it out) and they became community heroes themselves, by participating in a food drive for the Loudon Food Pantry.

The summer’s weekly programs ended with the children being transformed into super heroes. After finishing their extensive super hero training by completing a challenging obstacle course, many of them received their Official Super Hero Certificate.

Children and teens who completed the program by filling out three challenge cards, were able to pick out a brand new book to keep and to have their name entered into the Grand Prize Raffle, drawn on August 8. The books and raffle prizes were purchased through a grant from the *Dollar General Literacy Foundation*. *This foundation provides summer reading grants to local nonprofit organizations and libraries to help with the implementation or expansion of summer reading programs.*

Raffle winners were:

- PreK and Kindergarten — Henry Moser
- 1st through 6th grade — Rutger Gilliland
- Teen — Thomas Tuson

Children and teens who completed the program were: *Logan Barrett, Rachel Bast, Dahlia Beaudette, Lilly Bowles, Mia Bowles, Oliver Bowles, Lincoln Carrier, Rohan Chevalier, Westin Chevalier, Alexis Colarusso, Noelle Colarusso, Rutger Gilliland, Devin Guptill, Antonio Gutierrez, Joaquin Gutierrez, Kathryn Ingerson, Nolan Moore, Henry Moser, Lily Moser, Melody Perron, Saydra Perron, Cole Sheppard, Ivy Sheppard, Emmaleigh Stinson, Taiylor Stinson, Kiana Strobbridge, Andrew Tuson, Stanley Tuson, Thomas Tuson, Annabelle Welch, Ali White, and Lane White.* Congratulations!

Yoga

Fran Nash’s yoga sessions are offered Mondays and Thursdays at 6 p.m. and Tuesdays at 1 p.m. Low-impact chair yoga is offered on Thursday at 11 a.m. The cost per session is \$5.00.



A very small Super Hero negotiates the obstacle course.

Story Time

Story Time’s new season will start up September 1. Join us Tuesdays or Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. or Wednesdays at 2:30 p.m. for stories and a take-home craft. This is a great opportunity to meet other parents and caregivers and for the children to meet their future classmates.

Apple Picking

Story Time will be heading to Meadow Ledge Farm for the annual apple picking field trip at the end of September. There is a small fee for children and the adults may pick at the regular price. Look for the sign-up sheet in the Children’s Room coming soon.

LEGO Club

LEGO club is offered Thursdays from 3:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. in the children’s craft room. Each week there will be a LEGO challenge given to all participants to help encourage their imagination as they build with LEGOs. This is a drop-in activity, so there’s no need to sign up.

Library — cont. on 9



A small Super Hero crosses a “flaming pit.”



Teen Super Heroes ham it up for the camera.

Library — cont. from 8

Sewing Class — Back to Basics

Have you ever wondered how to thread a bobbin? Have you ever wondered what the different emblems on your sewing machine are for? Join us Wednesday, September 16 at 6 p.m. as Letha Maslauskas demonstrates how you can master your sewing machine plus she will be available to answer your questions on other basic techniques. At the end of the evening you will walk away with a completed sewing project. Materials needed are: your sewing machine, thread, pins, shears, and fabric (a fat quarter should do). Please sign up at the Circulation Desk.

Book Group

Book group meets on the fourth Thursday of each month. Stop by the library to see what book they are reading this month and pick up a copy to join.

New Passes

Two new passes will soon be available to our library borrowers: See Science Center in Manchester and Strawberry Banke Museum in Portsmouth. Free admission for a family!

New Books and DVDs

Check out our new DVD section with much easier browsing. We have all the new hot movies just in or on order such as: *Descendants*, *Project Almanac*, *Unfriended*, *Home*, *Mad Max Fury Road*, *Furious 7*, and *Jurassic World*.

New fiction books include *Piranha* by Clive Cussler; *The Night Sister* by Jennifer McMahon; *Speaking in Bones* by Kathy Reichs and *The Marriage of Opposites* by Alice Hoffman. New craft books and *Too Close to Me: The Middle-Aged Consequences of Revealing a Child Called "It"* by David Pelzer are in our non-fiction section.

Book Sale

We wish to thank everyone who has kindly donated to the library over the years to supply our monthly book sales. To lessen the time required by staff and amount of storage space required, the library has changed its donation policy. ALL donated books must be approved by the Director. We also have a new book donation bin located in the parking lot of the library. We do offer an ongoing book sale featuring our top donations.

Holiday Hours

The library will be closed on Saturday, September 5 and Monday, September 7 in observance of Labor Day. ■



Learning to use t-shirts in new ways was a fun way to spend the time at the Library.

New Hampshire: The Grant-It State?

I'm not getting one of those grants. They make you do things you don't want to do and the restrictions are not worth the time of day!" said a long-time Loudon resident. It's too bad this theory is widely shared by many because it's just not true. Grants that come with unreasonable restrictions are easy to avoid. Just don't apply for them!

There are, on the other hand, lots of grants that come with reasonable conditions, are easy to apply for, and unlike a loan, don't have to be paid back. The trick is to find a grant that provides funding for something you want to do, read the "request for proposal" (RFP) carefully, and then decide if you can live with the grant requirements. If you can live with the requirements, then that's the grant for you.

There are lots of grant opportunities available for energy efficiency, including Solar Power and farmers. In the past grants were typically offered to non-profit organizations. Now the USDA has a whole slate of grants available to for-profit organizations as well. It is very important to pick a grant that is something you can do, write a clear and concise grant proposal, and then, after you are funded, submit your grant reports on time. Reports and project billing need to be done correctly.

When you write the grant you decide how you create a plan and budget outlining how you will spend the requested funds. When you are awarded the grant you just have to follow your own plan. Simple!

While you can never be paid from grant funds to write a grant proposal, if you are funded you can be paid for grant reporting. This is why it is so important to include in your grant budget funds to pay for reporting. Reporting is key. Good reporting equals a successful grant.

It is also important to work with an experienced grant writer on your first few grant proposals. The Loudon Agriculture Commission is holding a grant-writing workshop (funded in part by a NH Dept. of Agriculture) on November 12th at the Loudon Community Building from 6-9 p.m. This workshop is geared towards farmers but we'll also discuss non-farmer grants if enough people are interested.

Sharpen your pencils or bring your computer to this workshop to face the "grant challenge" and learn how you can do great things with grants. Let's all apply for grants and make New Hampshire the "Grant-It" State! ■



Maxfield Public Library Passes!

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

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

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Between the Covers: The Ladybug Book Award Winners

By Kate Dockham

Welcome fall! School is in session. Apples are in season. The air is crisp and cool. As you send your little ones off to school, remember how important reading at home is. I write of this often because there is no other activity more pivotal to a child's success in school and life than reading. In past years I have written about the Ladybug Book award. This is a New Hampshire book award where children pre-kindergarten to grade 3 can vote to help choose the winner. This is great fun for the kids to participate in. For parents, the ten Ladybug nominees are a good go-to for quality new picture books. These 10 books are chosen from a myriad of picture books by a panel of children's librarians here in the state of New Hampshire. So if you're looking for a new bedtime story or perhaps a book your child can begin to read on their own, you might want to check out one of these contenders.

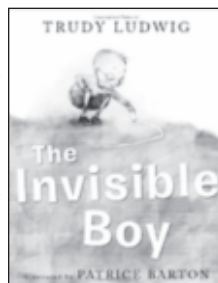
A great back-to-school book is *The Day the Crayons Quit* by Drew Daywalt. Duncan wants to color, but when he opens his box of crayons all he finds are letters! Each crayon has a different reason, but they all quit! Each letter is written in the color of the crayon and shares each crayon's feelings. Black is tired of only being used for outlining, Blue wants a break from coloring water, and Orange and Yellow both claim to be the true color of the sun and are no longer speaking. What is Duncan to do? He needs to find a creative way to solve all of the crayons' complaints and get them working together again! This is a creative and imaginative book with a great sense of humor.



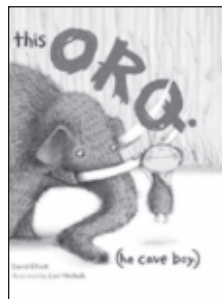
Sleepover with Beatrice and Bear by Monica Carnesi is a delightful story for young children. Beatrice is a bunny. One spring she meets Bear and they become fast friends. They play together all summer and fall, but when winter rolls around Bear goes missing! Beatrice hears that Bear has gone to hibernate. Unfortunately, Beatrice doesn't know where hibernate is. When she finally figures out that hibernation is not a place and that Bear will be sleeping all winter long, Beatrice is sad and lonely. First, Bunny tries to hibernate also, but she is not very good at that. Then she comes up with a plan to share the winter season with her friend. This is a story of friendship, of being different, and of the changes in seasons. The illustrations are completed in ink, water-colors, and colored pencil, giving each image movement and energy.



Another book about friendship and being different from others is *The Invisible Boy* by Trudy Ludwig and illustrated by Patrice Barton. Brian is the invisible boy. Being invisible is not a super power for Brian, it just is. No one seems to notice him. No one thinks to include him in their groups, games or birthday parties. Then Justin, the new boy, arrives. Brian is the first student to make Justin feel welcome and this seemingly small act of kindness leads to the boys working together. Eventually, Brian's artistic talents are needed and something wonderful happens! Brian is seen by others. Barton's illustrations begin with Brian being gray with color creeping in as he is befriended by Justin. Eventually, when they group begins to see him, Brian is shown in full color. This is a wonderful story for all those quiet children who don't know how to be heard or seen. It is also wonderful for children who don't always see those around them to become a little more aware.

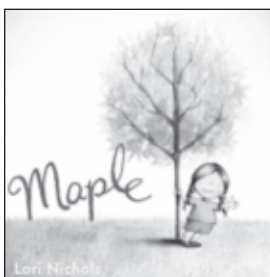


David Elliott has brought us many great children's books including *The Cool Crazy Crickets* and *The Transmogrification of Roscoe Wizzle*. Elliott's great sense of humor is back again with *This Orq. (He Cave Boy)*. This friendship story is between a cave boy, Orq, and his beloved woolly mammoth, Woma. Unfortunately for the pair, Orq's mom thinks a mammoth is a bad pet: they shed, they smell, and Woma is not house trained. But Orq has a plan to change his mom's mind. Good thing Woma is always close by to help make the plan work. Elliott's text is sparse and awkward in a faux cave-man vernacular, perfectly complimented with the tongue-in-cheek illustrations of



Lori Nichols. Be careful, this book might bring out a few cavepeople in your house.

Author and artist Lori Nichols has another book being nominated, *Maple*. Maple is an irresistible, free-spirited, nature-loving girl. Maple's parents plant a maple tree in her honor when she is born. The story follows the girl and tree as they grow up. Wishing the tree was a better snowball thrower, Maple wonders if the tree would like a playmate more like itself. Then one day Maple spots a sapling growing next to her tree and is soon to discover she has a sibling of her own on the way. Baby Willow is born and is noisy. Maple decides she know just what her sister needs:

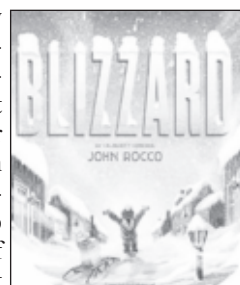


the friendship of a good tree. Nichols' pencil illustrations are nostalgic, yet fresh, and complement this story about the change of seasons and the changes in families. Perfect for all, especially those siblings-to-be.



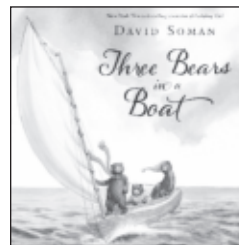
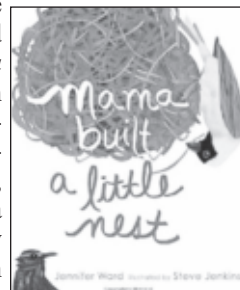
Following the life of a tree a bit older than Maple's is *As an Oak Tree Grows* by G. Brian Karas, a picture book about perspective. A perfect book for young historians and naturalists, this story follows the same tree from 1775 to present day. Using the unique perspective of a magnificent oak tree, Karas shows how much the world can change from a single vantage point. Readers are shown the shift in animal and human populations as the landscape transitions from country to city. Changes in transportation, communication, and energy use progress rapidly while things in nature hardly seem to change at all. The illustrations in the book are detailed and give readers much to pore over trying to spot the changes in each new era. Making big concepts accessible to our youngest members of society, *As An Oak Tree Grows* is an important book for today's world.

Young John watches his world transform in *Blizzard* by John Rocco. Set in a small town in Rhode Island, Rocco recalls his childhood experience during the infamous Blizzard of 1978, beginning with the excitement of the first snowflake to the relief upon seeing the first snowplow after 53 inches of snowfall. While the landscape transforms from the familiar to an alien landscape, John transforms from playful to worried to the hero of neighborhood. As food begins to run out, John is the only one light enough to walk on top of the snow. With tennis rackets tied to his feet, John heads out on an adventure to the local store, stopping along the way. An enjoyable story for those of us who remember the blizzard, Rocco makes it accessible with increasing white space, vividly textured backgrounds, and simple text showing even kids can be heroes.



Everyone has dreams. In *Flight School*, Little Penguin wants to fly. He tells everyone he has the "soul of an eagle" and heads off to a local flight school. While Little Penguin is allowed to stay, both Teacher and his assistant, Flamingo, are not hopeful. After weeks of practice and outfitted with red goggles, Little Penguin jumps off the dock, yells Geronimo, and flops into the ocean. Brokenhearted Little Penguin heads home. But Flamingo has an idea that allows Little Penguin to soar, if only for a little while. This charming book has just the right amount of everything to help little ones persevere through struggles of their own. Lita Judge writes and illustrates this tale of dreams and determination. The illustrations of the birds have realistic details with just enough cartoonish touches to make the characters perfect for this offbeat story.

With so many different kinds of birds in the world, there are many types of bird nests also. Author Jennifer Ward and Illustrator Steve Jenkins bring many to life in *Mama Built a Little Nest*. Written in rhyming verse on the left page with informational writing on the right and colorful cut-paper collages showing the nests, this is a great book for budding scientists. This book shows the birds and nests in lively, species-specific detail, from the fuzzy fledgling falcon on a craggy ledge to a pair of emperor penguins on an icy expanse, keeping their egg warm on the father's feet. Written in a way that readers of various ages and interest can approach the text in different ways, this is great for both quiet exploration and shared read aloud.



Inspired by *Little Bear* and *Where the Wild Things Are*, David Soman has created a classic with breathtaking illustrations, an epic adventure, and a subtle message of taking responsibility in *Three Bears in a Boat*. After breaking their mother's favorite blue seashell, three mischievous bear siblings decide to set out in their sailboat to find another one. Amid many adventures, the young bears do not find a shell immediately and begin to fight with each other. A storm begins to brew. The more they fight, the bigger the storm gets and pushes them farther from home. As each bear begins to take some responsibility for their actions, the storm calms eventually bringing them home.

While these ten Ladybug Award Nominees are some of the best in new picture books, they aren't the only great new books out there. Ask your librarian, teacher or bookstore clerk to help you find a book perfect to share with your youngster. Until next time...keep turning those pages. ■

2015 Arthur E. McNeil and Raymond C. Cummings Scholarship Award Recipients

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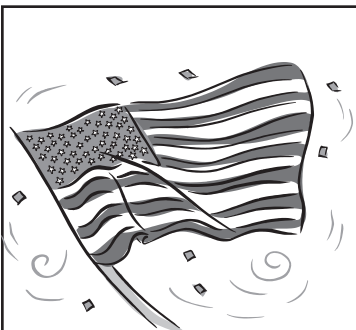
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Congratulations to all of this year's scholarship recipients. Loudon is very proud of its students.

If you'd like to apply for a scholarship next year, please contact the Town Office in April or May. Applications are available at the office. All Loudon high school and full time college students are eligible to apply.



Post 88 has a new flag collection box outside of Charlie's Barn. It will be checked periodically and unserviceable flags will be removed and given final honors. The Loudon Transfer Station also has a drop-off box in the main office.



Lions Club News

The Loudon Lions Club thanks everyone who stopped by our booth at Old Home Day and showed an interest in the Lions. Thanks also to those who supported the basket raffle. We welcome anyone who would like more information about the club to drop in at a meeting. We meet on the first and third Tuesdays of the month at the Maxfield Library conference room.

The Loudon Lions Club is again having an Ice Cream Social at the Loudon Elementary School on September 18 from 5:00 to 9:00. What a great way to start the school year! Come and enjoy some tasty sundaes and meet some Lions!

The donations that we receive will go to a Lions Charity. ■



Loudon Food Pantry News

Canterbury Fair & Loudon Old Home Day

We set up a booth at these events each year. Again this year, we had a lot of fun! We met up with old friends and made some new ones. I'd like to thank everyone who donated and purchased our products. Without your help, we would not be able to feed as many households that we do!

Macy's "Shop For A Cause"

As you may know, Macy's "Shop For A Cause" is a unique one-day-only shopping event created to support local charities' fundraising efforts, which has helped raised more than \$46 million for charities across the country since 2006. Macy's provided Loudon Food Pantry with "Shop For A Cause" shopping passes. As of August 14, we had sold five passes for \$5.00 each. That \$25 helps our cause and gives lots of savings to those who purchased them. I will update you in the next publication concerning the table we set up at Macy's on August 29.

Donations

Like every other food pantry, this is a really tough time of the year for us. Our donations are down considerably. Our shelves are empty and we are missing food staples that help sustain the households we feed! We need your help!

All food items will always be accepted but below is a list of items that are most needed:

Canned Beans – All types

Peanut Butter – All types

Canned Tomato Items – All types (diced, crushed, pureed, etc.)

Canned Fruit – All Items

Canned Vegetables – Spinach, Beets, Wax Beans are badly needed.

Mashed Potatoes – Any Flavor

Ready to Serve Soup – Any Flavor

Condensed Soup – Any Flavor (creamed soups as well)

Breakfast Items – Any Kind

Canned Meats – Any Kind

Shaped Pasta – Any Shapes (elbows not needed)

Canned Pasta – Any Kind

Fresh Produce – The farmers this year are being very generous (Thank You!). But we can always use more produce. Our people love fresh produce.

Frozen Meat (this includes professionally butchered game meat) – We give out canned and frozen meat each week. Other than private donations, our only other source for meat is The New Hampshire Food Bank. They do not always have meat for us to purchase. So meat donations will be extremely helpful.

Donations can be dropped off at the Loudon Food Pantry, 30 Chichester Rd., Unit D, Loudon, NH (in the same parking lot as Loudon Garage and Foxy Hair Care). Our office hours are Monday–Thursday 10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. and then we reopen from 3:00–6:00 p.m. Monetary donations can be mailed to the address above! Check out LoudonFoodPantry.org for the current list of our drop-off locations in your area.

Thank you for your support and your help in assisting us in feeding households who are struggling to feed themselves!

Sue, Bill & Sarah

Recreation Committee News



"Like" us on Facebook! Loudon Recreation has a Facebook page, check it out for details on upcoming events. There is also a survey that you can take to let us know what you would like to see! Those who follow us on Facebook or who check the website www.loudonnh.org know that we sometimes add stuff after the publishing of the latest Loudon Ledger so please check for updates.

Loudon Community Summer Fun Nights were a success again this year. Luckily the weather held out and we were able to hold every event this year! Every Wednesday night in the months of July and August (one Thursday night) we had an event at the recreation fields for all to enjoy. We started out with the ice cream social and had Pete Cluett and Stone Boat Farms with their beautiful Belgian Draft Horses for all to enjoy; then we had Lucky Bob the magician/juggler; The Lazy Boy Rockers with their rock music for all ages; Wildlife Encounters with their amazing animal show; John Higby the YoYo Guy; Bryson Lang a comedian/juggler; and the ever popular Loudon Talent Show. We were fortunate to be able to have the 39th Army Band on a special Thursday night event to end our programming for the summer. Thank you to the Recreation Committee members who made the events possible for Loudon residents and a special thank you to Laurie and Madelyn Jaquith who spent a lot of time organizing the talent show! Congratulations to all the winners. We hope that those who came down enjoyed the shows. We are always looking for suggestions for the future so please share what you liked or would like to see.

Summer Swim Lessons were a huge success thanks to Corinne Rowe who organized the lessons for Loudon youth. We have many more confident swimmers here in Loudon thanks to the instructors with Swim NH LLC.

Tennis Courts

The evenings are getting cooler but there is still time to use the tennis courts located in the village near the recreation fields for some tennis fun!

Line Dancing

A New Beginning Country Western Line Dancing — lessons for beginners and all adults will be starting September 17 on Thursdays from 1:00–2:00 p.m. If you are an adult or senior who is ready for lots of fun and laughs, please come on down to The Loudon Community Building (Charlie's Barn) on South Village Road behind the town offices. No charge, donations accepted. Contact Janet at 961-0061 for more information.

Recreation Committee is Always Looking For More Help!

Loudon Recreation Committee is a volunteer group that organizes classes, workshops, events and activities for citizens of ALL AGES in Loudon. We NEED other volunteers to step up and help out on this committee. This small group does quite a bit in town and we would like some fresh ideas. If you aren't able to make a meeting but would like to share your ideas, suggestions or comments please take a moment to fill out the survey on the website www.loudonnh.org. Recreation Committee meetings are generally the fourth Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. at Maxfield Public Library.

A NEW BEGINNING COUNTRY WESTERN LINE DANCING

**LESSONS BEGINNERS & ALL
ADULTS STARTING THURSDAY,
SEPT. 17, 1 to 2 p.m.**

**NO CHARGE DONATIONS
ACCEPTED
AT CHARLIES BARN**

**FOR MORE INFO CALL
JANET AT 961 0061**

Steps to Take if You Fall Victim to Medical Identity Theft

Hopefully you will never have to use these steps, but, with the rise of healthcare data breaches, it appears to be inevitable:

1. Request a copy of the medical record.
2. Once received, notify the provider and/or health insurance carrier that you are a victim of identity theft.
3. File a police report with your local law enforcement agency.
4. Complete an identity theft affidavit.
5. Send the police report, affidavit, and a cover letter to the provider and/or the health insurance carrier requesting the fraudulent information be removed or redacted from your medical record.
6. Place a free 90-day fraud alert on your credit report by contacting one of the following: Experian, Equifax or TransUnion.
7. Notify all of your healthcare providers that you are a victim of identity theft.
8. If it involves a collection account, notify the collection agency you are a victim of medical identity theft.
9. Request written confirmation that your record(s) has been corrected and any collection accounts have closed.

As with all types of identity theft, your best defense is consistent monitoring of all of your accounts and statements. If something does not feel or sound right, do not dismiss it. Ask questions until you are satisfied. Your life may depend on it. ■

Boy Scout News

The boys of Boy Scout Troop 247 have had a busy summer. Right as school let out, the boys (and their amazing leaders) headed to South Eastern Massachusetts to volunteer for the Patriots Half Triathlon. The boys helped the athletes get ready to race and later worked an aide station passing out water and sports drinks.

The last week in July, the boys headed to Gilmanton for a week on the Griswold Scout Reservation at Hidden Valley Boy Scout Camp. The boys had a great time working on merit badges and enjoying camp life. They came back exhausted, dirty and sporting a few bug bites, but bursting with wonderful memories.

August started off at home, Troop 247 set up a mini-camp at the rec fields for Old Home Day. They marched in the parade and conducted a flag raising ceremony. Thanks to everyone who purchased water or candy from our table.

The boys continued their volunteer efforts supporting the Timberman Ironman Triathlon. The boys and many family members helped the athletes prepare for the race by stuffing swag bags and working registration for two days. On race, day Troop 247 staffed two aide stations, one on route 129 in Loudon and one at Ella-

coya State park. The athletes were very appreciative of the water and Gatorade on the hazy hot and humid day.

It wasn't all work, the boys squeezed in some fun with a pool party and barbecue, a good time was had by all. They ended summer the same way they started it, by heading to South Eastern Massachusetts for the Cranberry Fest Triathlon.

Now that school is in session, regular meetings will commence and since it's September, it's time for popcorn. Be on the look out for Boy Scouts honing their sales skills at Show and Sell booths around the area. Thank you in advance for your support. Funds raised support troop activities and volunteer projects as well as helping the boys earn their way to summer camp.

We're all looking forward to the Boy Scout Jamboree being held at NHMS on Columbus day weekend.

Interested in becoming part of our troop? Please contact Scout Master John Decato at jdecato344@comcast.net or 603-216-7855. ■



2015 Halloween Party



Volunteers NEEDED!!!!!!!

187 elementary school aged kids attended the 2014 Halloween Party, which brought in 1,417 piece of food and collected \$576 for the Loudon Food Pantry. This was possible because of the 65 volunteers who helped. Would you like to help out this year????

There are a number of ways to help:

- Donate your **TIME** on 10/16 from 5:30–8:30p.m. I desperately need volunteers to help run the prize table, concession stand, and games.
- Donate **bags of candy** that are *unopened* and have *individually wrapped candy*.
- Donate individually wrapped **baked goods** that can be sold at the concession stand.

All money earned at this event goes directly to the Loudon Food Pantry.

(Please bring baked goods or other donations to Loudon Elementary School gymnasium for 5 p.m. on Friday 10/16.)

Thank you for any donations or help you can give. This is such a fun way to raise food and money for those in need. 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.

MAGICIAN NEEDED!!!!



Do you have magical talents to share????

Please consider donating an hour or two of your time for the 2015 Halloween Party at Loudon Elementary School on Friday 10/16 from 6–8 p.m. If you are interested, please contact Elizabeth West at elizabethwest001@yahoo.com

Old Home Day Winners

CHILI CONTEST WINNERS

- 1st

Dave Kelley
- 2nd

Isaiah Wells
- 3rd

Curt Ramsey, *3-Bean Alarm Sweet and Spicy Chili*

BAKING CONTEST WINNERS

ADULTS

- 1st

Robert Gagne, *Carrot Cake*
- 2nd

Dale Hall, *Fudge*
- 3rd

Alicha Kingsbury, *Squash Bread*

KIDS

- 1st

Haleigh Kingsbury, *Blueberry Pie*
- 2nd

Michael Kingsbury, *Apple Crisp*
- 3rd

Gracie (no last name), *Cherry Bombs*

PARADE WINNERS

CIVIC & ORGANIZATION

- 1st

Young at Heart
- 2nd

Loudon Freedom Soccer
- 3rd

Louie the Lion

COMMERCIAL & SMALL BUSINESS

- 1st

Healthy Heart Veterinary Clinic
- 2nd

Alicia’s School of Dance
- 3rd

Stone Boat Farm

INDIVIDUAL SUPPORTERS

- 1st

Randy Pratt’s ladder truck
- 2nd

Wayne Wilson’s 1964 Panzer Tractor
- 3rd

Jerry Bean, Bean Street Railroad

WALKERS

- 1st

Nicholas Gelinas, Louie Junior — the Fire Lion
- 2nd

Gabryelle and Collin Twardosky with their goats Lydia and Lacy
- 3rd

Cub Scouts and Scout Troop Color Guard

Chili and Baking Contest Recipes

This is only a partial listing of recipes that were submitted to the Old Home Day contests. We hope to run the rest of them in the next issue.

Baking Contest Recipes

SMOLDERING NACHO CORN BREAD

- ½ cup

yellow corn meal
- 1 cup

finely round nacho doritos
- 1 cup

all purpose flour
- ¼ cup

sugar
- 3 tsp.

baking powder
- 1 tsp.

salt
- 1 cup

buttermilk
- 1 egg

beaten
- ¼ cup

oil
- ½ cup

mayonnaise
- 1

fresh jalapeno

In bowl, combine corn meal, Doritos, flour, sugar, baking powder, and salt in a separate bowl, whisk together egg, oil, mayonnaise, and jalapeno. Combine wet and dry ingredients and stir until just blended. Pour batter into a 9” round or 8” x 8” square greased pan. Bake at 425°F approximately 20–25 minutes until top is slightly brown.

SPONTANEOUS COMBUSTION CARROT CAKE — Bob Gagne

Cake Mix

- 2 cups

all purpose flour
- 2 tsp.

cinnamon
- 2 tsp.

baking soda
- 2 tsp.

baking powder
- 1 tsp.

salt
- 2 cups

sugar
- 1½ cups

vegetable oil
- 4

large eggs
- 3 cups

grated carrots
- ½ cup

chopped walnuts

Cream Cheese frosting

- 1 stick

butter
- 8 oz.

cream cheese
- 2 tsp.

vanilla extract
- 1 lb.

confectionary sugar

Sift together flour, cinnamon, baking soda, baking powder, and salt. In another bowl, beat sugar and oil, until well combined. Add eggs one at a time, beating well after each addition. Stir dry ingredients into sugar/oil/egg mixture, stir in carrots and walnuts, mix well. Heat oven to 325°. Grease and flour pans. Pour batter into pans; bake until the layers start to pull away at the sides and toothpick comes out clean, approximately 45 minutes.

Frosting

Beat butter, cream cheese, vanilla and sugar with mixer until fluffy. Frost layers when cake is cool.

SMOKING SQUASH BREAD — Alicha Kingsbury

(Makes 2 loaves.)

- 3 cups

shredded zucchini

- 3 cups

flour
- 1¾ cups

sugar
- 1 tsp.

baking soda
- 1 tsp.

salt
- 1 tsp.

cinnamon
- ¼ tsp.

baking powder
- ¾ cups

applesauce
- 2 large

eggs
- 1/3 cup

vegetable oil
- 1 tbsp.

vanilla

Combine all dry ingredients in one bowl, liquid ingredients in a separate bowl. Put liquid mixture in center well of dry ingredient, stir until moistened. Bake in greased pans at 350° for 1 hour and 15 minutes.

Chili Contest Recipes

BACKDRAFT PULLED PORK CHILI — Jeff White

- 2 lbs.

Pork Loin
- 2 tbsp.

Honey
- 2 tbsp.

Brown Sugar
- 2 tbsp.

Chili Powder
- 2 tbsp.

Cumin
- 1 tbsp.

Cilantro
- 2 cans

un-drained Black Beans
- 1 cup

strong coffee
- 1 cup

water
- 2 cans

tomato paste
- 2 cups

corn
- 1 tbsp.

liquid garlic
- 2 tbsp.

minced onion

CHILI — Dianna Avery

- 2 lbs.

ground beef
- 1

medium onion
- 2

cloves garlic
- 2

green peppers, diced
- 2

stalks celery, sliced
- 2 cans

Red Kidney beans, 16 oz each
- 1–2 tbsp.

tomato paste
- 1 can

diced tomatoes, 28 oz
- 1 tbsp.

cocoa
- 2 tbsp.

chili powder
- 1 tsp.

oregano
- 1 tsp.

cumin
- 1 tsp.

red pepper flakes

Rinse and drain beans. Cook onion, green peppers, celery, and garlic until somewhat soft. Cook meat and drain fat. Add beans, tomatoes, spices, and seasonings to meat and pepper and onion mixture. Cover and simmer for 1.5 hours.

CHILI — Judy Johnston

You will need:

- 2 lbs.

ground beef
- 1 can

tomato sauce, 8 oz
- 2 cans

water

- 1 tsp. paprika
- 1 tsp. salt (optional)
- 1 tsp. onion
- 1 tsp. garlic
- 1 tbsp. red pepper seasoning (more as desired)
- to season cumin and oregano

Brown the 2 lbs. ground beef. Drain and add: one can tomato sauce, two 8-oz. cans water, cumin and oregano to season, paprika, salt, onion, garlic, and red pepper seasoning. Mash to thicken, if desired. If too thick, put in $\frac{1}{4}$ cup water and mix. Simmer 30 minutes. Serve and top with sour cream or shredded cheese. ENJOY!

3-BEAN ALARM SWEET & SPICY CHILI — Curt Ramsey

- 1 lb. ground beef
- $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. thick cut bacon
- 1 can kidney beans, 15-oz
- 1 can butter beans, 15-oz
- 2 cans pork & beans, 15-oz each
- 1 tsp. chili powder
- 1 tsp. smoked paprika
- $\frac{3}{4}$ tsp. cayenne pepper
- 1 tsp. onion powder
- $\frac{1}{4}$ tsp. white pepper
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup ketchup
- $\frac{1}{3}$ cup molasses
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup brown sugar

Brown ground beef and drain. Cut bacon into $\frac{1}{2}$ "– $\frac{3}{4}$ " pieces and cook until crispy, drain. Drain butter beans, do not drain kidney beans. Put all ingredients into crock pot and stir until well mixed. Heat through on high, approximately 3–4 hours, stirring occasionally.

FIREHOUSE 61, STATION 2 CHILI — Jan Perreault

- 1 lg. can peeled, crushed tomatoes
- 2 sm. cans diced tomatoes
- 1 lg. can dark red kidney beans
- 1 each green and red peppers
- 1 lg. yellow onion
- 1 lb. ground beef
- 1.5 lb. ground turkey
- 1 tbsp. red pepper flakes
- 2 tbsp. cumin
- 2 tbsp. chili powder
- 2 tsp. cayenne

Brown meat, drain. Drain and rinse kidney beans. Combine all ingredients in crock pot. Cook on high 6 hours. Add more spices to taste. ENJOY

"BURNING DOWN THE HOUSE" CHILI — Sandy Hurd

- 1 lb. ground seasoned turkey sausage
- 3 tbsp. chili powder
- 1 sm. can tomato paste
- 1 can diced tomatoes w/juice
- 1 can pinto beans w/liquid
- 1 lg. green pepper
- 1 lg. onion
- 1–2 sm. green chili peppers
- rosemary, sage, salt and ground pepper — to taste

Combine pinto beans w/liquid, 3-tbsp. chili powder, and tomato paste, let simmer. Brown turkey sausage — add seasonings. Add bean mixture to turkey; mix in green pepper and onion. Add green chili peppers — to taste. Simmer for 1 hour on top of stove or 4–5 hours in crock-pot.

SMOKED VEGGIE POT ROAST CHILI — Samantha French

- 3.5 lb. Chuck roast
- 1 stick butter
- 1 pkg. au jus mix
- 3 tbsp. cumin
- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup chili powder
- 1 tbsp. fresh ground pepper
- 1 tsp. celery salt

Cook above ingredients in crock-pot on low 6–8 hours, until meat falls apart.

- 2 big onions, sliced
- 1 big green pepper, halved and seeded
- 1 big red pepper, halved and seeded
- 1 head garlic, top cut off

Drizzle with olive oil and Kosher salt. Smoke in smoker for 3.5 hours @ 275°

- 2 cans tomato puree, 29 oz. each
- 1 can diced green chilis, 4.25 oz.
- 1 can black beans, 15.5 oz., rinsed and drained
- 1 can small red beans, 15.5 oz, rinsed and drained
- 1.5 tsp. cumin
- 2 tbsp. chili powder

Shred meat, removing any pieces of fat. Return to the au jus left in the crock-pot. Chop up onions, peppers, and 5–6 cloves of garlic and add to meat in crock-pot. Add beans (drained and rinsed), green chili peppers, and tomato puree to meat and veggies in crock-pot. Stir, add the additional cumin and chili powder — if you think it is needed.

Cook on low for an additional 6 hours in crock-pot. Taste, you may need to add salt to your liking.

Serve, topped with shredded sharp cheddar, 1 teaspoon of sour cream, and chopped scallions.

ENJOY. Worth all the extra work! ■



Sampling the entries in the Chili contest.

The Loudon Agriculture Commission
proudly presents the following workshop:

Grant Writing For Farmers

This workshop will give you the tools to write a successful VAPG (Value Added Producer Grant) and LFPP (Local Food Promotion Program) application. Susan Poland, Business Programs Specialist for USDA's Rural Development in Vermont and New Hampshire will add her insights and guidance as well.



Thursday, November 12th at 6pm at the Community Building in Loudon.

Please pre-register by emailing Cindy Shea at cindy_shea@comcast.net or call 603-660-9108.

Loudon Old Home



The Dow Family stands around a beautiful granite bench dedicated to Roger and Irene Dow. Left to right: Bruce, Peter, Roger, Tom, and Mike.



Tracy Dow, Judy Hamilton, and Ashley Dow waiting for breakfast.



One of many fire-themed floats in the parade, this one pictures the Oak Hill Fire Tower.



Horseshoe tournament winners Eric Pease and Ron Sargent receive their trophies from Tom Dow (right).



2015 Citizen of the Year, Deanna Leonard, waves to the crowd.



Old Home Day is for all ages! Several generations enjoy the day.

Black

Day ALL FIRED UP!



Perennial favorites, Bodyworks, performs a karate demonstration.



Braydon Burr, poster contest winner.



Former Loudon Fire Chiefs Jeff Jenkins (left) and Roger Dow.



Breakfast cooks Tom Blanchette, left, and John Storrs.



Another parade entry.

Black



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ALICHA KINGSBURY

B&B welcomes a new agent, Alisha Kingsbury! Alisha is passionate about living in Loudon with her two children and her husband. A supporter of local community, Alisha enjoys volunteering for Loudon Youth Association and Loudon Elementary PTA. As a former business owner with a Business Management degree and background in banking, she is ready to help you with the sale or purchase of your home.



Largest Eastern Hemlock in Merrimack County Located in Loudon!



New Hampshire Big Tree Program

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Town of Loudon, Selectmen
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Dear Selectmen,

Congratulations for being the steward of the **Merrimack County Champion Eastern Hemlock**. The tree was measured by Bob Lyon & David Mills for the New Hampshire Big Tree Program. The tree has the identification number of # 849 in the state database. The GPS coordinates are Latitude: 43.31513° , Longitude: 71.44825°.

As steward of this fine specimen, we ask you to take good care of it by keeping it safe and healthy. For tree care information, please call your Cooperative Extension County Forester or find an arborist in your area by going to <http://extension.unh.edu/Forests-Trees/Trees>.

A Big Tree Team will remeasure your tree periodically. Please keep us informed if something happens to your tree. If the stewardship of the property should change, please inform the new stewards of their role with this championship tree and have them identify themselves to us. Thank you.

Many stewards ask about signs for their tree. The Big Tree Program has available an engraved sign and post that may be placed in the ground near the tree. Both are designed to be weather and vandal proof. A donation of \$50.00 more or less would be appreciated to cover the cost of making the sign. If you are interested in having a sign please contact John Wallace at crawford@myfairpoint.net

We hope that you will continue to be on the lookout for other Big Trees in your town, in the county and around the state. For more information on the New Hampshire Big Tree Program, you can go to www.nhbigtrees.org. Information on the national program is available at www.americanforests.org.

Sincerely,

Carolyn E. Page
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The University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension and the Division of Forests and Lands are proud to present this certificate of appreciation to the Town of Loudon, NH for being the steward of the Merrimack County Champion Eastern Hemlock. The University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension is a part of the UNH, U.S. Dept. of Agriculture, and New Hampshire counties cooperating.

THE SPONSORS OF THE NEW HAMPSHIRE REGISTER OF BIG TREES

Proudly present this certificate of appreciation to:

Town of Loudon, NH

As steward of the following County Champion Big Tree, as of this date, the largest reported specimen of its species growing in your county.

Tsuga canadensis

Scientific Name

88 feet

Height

43 feet

Average Crown Spread

261

Total Points



Eastern Hemlock

Common Name

162 inches

Circumference

Loudon / Merrimack

Town & County

April 25, 2015

Date

Mary Tebo Davis
Community Forestry Educator
UNH Cooperative Extension

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Carolyn Entz Page
Natural Resources Steward

Delinquent Cattle

By Carole Soule

Summer is here, turkey chicks are feasting in the garden, and calves are still arriving. Twelve of our expected calves have been born, with eight more due. So far this year I have only assisted with one birth. This calf might have been born on his own but, just to be sure I secured a rope halter to one of the calf's protruding hooves and pulled while BluMoo, his mother, pushed. As soon as he was on the ground, mom sprung up and started licking her new calf while I scurried out of the holding pen. BluMoo is friendly and easy to handle but at birth time it's best to stay out of the way for a while.

Most of our cattle are "halter broken," which means they allow humans to lead them using a halter and rope. It's wise to train calves when they are young. It's a lot easier to hold onto a flying 200-pound calf than an airborne 800-pound cow. We nicknamed one calf Flying Felix, because he leapt in the air during training. His brother, Milo, chose to throw himself on the ground rather than be led. Now both Felix and Milo are tame, friendly, and respectful of people.

Without respect for humans, any cow, steer or bull can attack, injure or even kill, which is what happened recently to a farmer friend of mine in Hampton Falls. While no one knows exactly what happened, Chris was found dead 24 hours after a probable encounter with his bull. Bulls, cows, and steers often head butt each other, either in play or to show dominance, which is mostly likely what happened to Chris. An 80-pound calf head butt might seem cute but can be deadly from a 1,000-pound bull. Even the best athletes among us are frail when compared with cattle. Cattle don't know how frail we are and it's best they never learn.

Cattle typically show signs of aggression before attacking. First-time farmers are often not aware of those signs but even I, an experienced farmer, have been fooled. Once, in a pasture with cattle I didn't know, I was head butted by an aggressive cow. This particular cow let me leave the pasture but later displayed the same behavior with someone else who fortunately got away but with bruises and horn marks on his body: a close call.

What is the solution? Consistent handling and identification of aggressive behavior is the best approach. If our cattle show signs of aggression, we "ship" them as soon as possible. Aggression might be as simple as head shaking or not moving away when I wave my arms. I must be the dominant animal and any cow that displays even slight aggression is not safe. "Shipping" typically means turning the animal into ground beef or steaks.

It's never easy to ship an animal. They all have personalities and character but I must admit, there are some that are easier to say "Goodbye" to than others. I had wanted to buy the bull that killed my friend but instead he went to auction. Soon, if not already, the bull will be steaks on someone's plate. This was one of those times I didn't mind the goodbye if only to keep the bull from hurting someone else.

While cattle might never be considered 100% safe, let's remember that nothing in this world is totally safe. Driving a car is perhaps the most dangerous activity and most of us do it every day. I'll take my chances with cattle and share some recipes with you to serve up some of those delinquent critters.



T-bone Steak with Marinade

- 1 cup EVOO (Extra-Virgin Olive Oil)
- 3/4 cup soy sauce
- 1/2 cup lemon juice
- 1/4 cup Worcestershire sauce
- 1/4 cup prepared mustard
- 4 cloves garlic, minced
- ground black pepper to taste
- 4-6 T-Bone steaks

Preparation:

Whisk the vegetable oil, soy sauce, lemon juice, Worcestershire sauce, mustard, garlic, and pepper together in a bowl until combined.

To use the marinade, place the meat in the bag, coat with the marinade, squeeze out excess air, and seal the bag. Marinate in the refrigerator at least 2 hours. Do not over marinate as T-bone steaks do not need much tenderizing. Discard the marinade after it has been used. ■

Welcome to Loudon!



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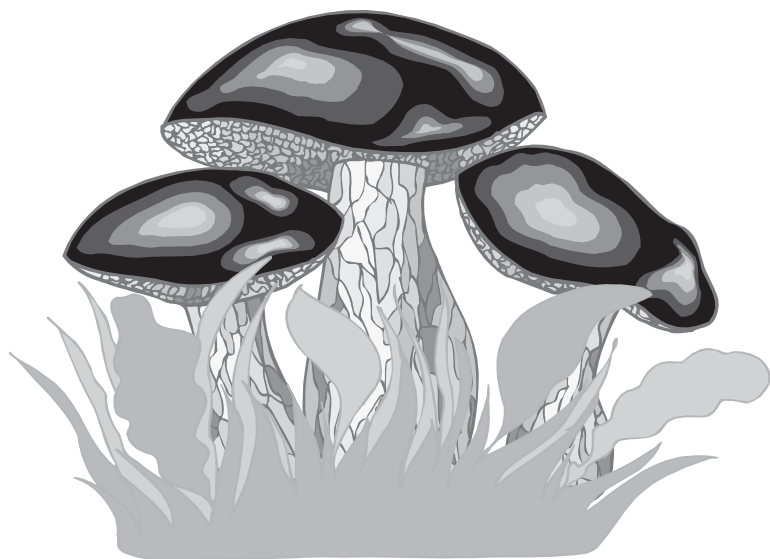
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2015 Fall Workshop Series

BARNs AND FACILITIES FOR SMALL-SCALE FARMS

DATE & TIME:

Monday, October 5, 2015, 6:30 PM

LOCATION:

Boscawen Municipal Complex, 116 North Main Street, 4th floor, Boscawen (handicapped accessible)

DIRECTIONS:

From I-93, take Exit 17 and bear right off the ramp. Follow Rte 4 to the traffic circle and take the second ramp in the circle to Harris Hill Road for 0.2 miles, turn right onto Tremont Street for 0.2 miles, turn left onto Jackson Street for 0.4 miles and arrive at the Boscawen Complex on the right. **From Rtes 3 and 4 southbound through Boscawen:** Turn right at the traffic light onto N. Main Street (Route 3 South). Shortly after Alan's Restaurant (on right), the Boscawen Municipal Complex is on the left. Turn left onto Jackson Street and left into the parking lot.

COST:

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TO REGISTER:

To register, contact the Boscawen Agricultural Commission at 753-9188 x 301 or agriculture03303@gmail.com



Presenter: John C. Porter, UNH Cooperative Extension Professor and Specialist, Emeritus

John will cover the basics of building new barns and renovating old ones to meet the needs of small-scale farming.

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September Senior Health Clinics

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association is holding a Senior Health Clinic September 22 from 9 a.m. until noon at the VOANNE Senior Housing. 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. If you need a ride, please call 798-5203.

September Walk-In Immunization Clinics

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association offers monthly Walk-In Immunization Clinics for children and adults who are uninsured, underserved, and who have no access to these needed services in order to lead a healthy lifestyle. A clinic will be offered on Tuesday, Sept. 15 from 2:30–4:30 p.m. at St. Paul's Episcopal Church Outreach Center, 21 Centre St. in Concord. A fee of \$10 is requested per person. Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Please bring an immunization record with you. For more information, call Concord Regional VNA at (603) 224-4093 or (800) 924-8620, ext. 5815.

September Walk-In Blood Pressure Clinic

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association is a free monthly Walk-in Blood Pressure Clinic on Friday, September 4, 9:30–11 a.m.

Blood Pressure Clinics are at the Heights Community Center, 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.

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association Offers September Men's Grief Discussion Groups

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association is offering a Men's Grief Discussion Groups on Thursday, September 10 and Thursday, September 24 from 9 to 10 a.m. at Wesley United Methodist Church, 79 Clinton Street in Concord. The ongoing drop-in grief discussion groups are designed to help men who are adjusting after the loss of a spouse or significant other.

There is no registration or fee to attend. For more information, please call (603) 224-4093, ext. 2828 or e-mail carmella.dow@crvna.org.

Concord Regional VNA Offers "Don't Sit. Be Fit." Presentation in Loudon

Concord Regional VNA is offering a free presentation "Don't Sit. Be Fit." on Wednesday, September 16 from 10 to 11 a.m. at Richard Brown House, 142 South Village Road in Loudon.

We all know exercise and physical activity are good for us. Making exercise and physical activity a regular part of your life can improve your health and help you maintain your independence. Join us as we discuss the benefits and simple strategies to remain active as you age.

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NH Waterfowl Hunting Seasons Set



The New Hampshire Fish and Game Department has set final season dates and bag limits for the 2015–2016 waterfowl hunting season, after considering comments from sportsmen at the recent public meeting.

New Hampshire's upcoming waterfowl season is very much like last year's. The overall duck season is 60 days, with a bag limit of six birds daily; and the Canada goose season is 70 days, with three birds in the daily bag. One significant change in this year's regulations is that the daily bag limit for brant has been reduced from two birds to one bird, with a possession limit of three birds.

A map of the waterfowl zones may be viewed at www.huntnh.com/hunting/waterfowl-zones.html.

Following are the waterfowl seasons for ducks, mergansers, and coots:

- **The Northern Zone** waterfowl season opens on October 2 and runs through November 30, 2015.
- **The Inland Zone** waterfowl season opens on October 6 and runs through November 5; then reopens November 15 through December 13, 2015.
- **The Coastal Zone** waterfowl season opens on October 7 and runs through October 16; then reopens November 15 through January 3, 2016.

To hunt for migratory birds, a resident must have a current Regular NH Hunting, Combination or Archery License. A nonresident must have a Regular NH Hunting, Combination, Archery or a Small Game License. No license is required for youth hunters (under age 16); youth must be accompanied by a properly licensed adult age 18 or older. In addition, duck and goose hunters age 16 and older must have:

- NH Migratory Waterfowl License;
- National Migratory Bird Harvest Information or "HIP" certification number to hunt ducks, geese, woodcock and snipe; and a
- Federal Duck Stamp with the hunter's name signed across the face.

The Federal Duck Stamp can be purchased at many U.S. Post Offices or at Fish and Game headquarters in Concord or Fish and Game Region 2 Office in New Hampton.

HIP permit numbers can be obtained by calling 1-800-207-6183, or go to the "Buy Your License Online" section of the Fish and Game website huntnh.com to receive a permit number (there is no charge). This number should be written on the hunting license. Harvest information from HIP helps Fish and Game and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service make more reliable estimates of the number of all migratory birds harvested. Each year, a random selection of hunters is asked to complete a voluntary harvest survey.

Hunters are asked to report all banded birds by calling toll-free to 1-800-327-BAND. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will send a certificate with information about the bird.

Hunters should exercise caution this fall when field dressing ducks due to the possibility of the birds being infected with Avian Influenza (AI). For more information on AI, visit: www.aphis.usda.gov/publications/animal_health/2015/fsc_hpai_hunters.pdf

To learn more about waterfowl hunting in New Hampshire, or to buy licenses and permits online, visit huntnh.com. ■

OBITUARIES

CHARLOTTE M. WELLS

Charlotte M. Wells, of Loudon, passed peacefully Saturday, Aug. 1, 2015. Born in Danzig, Germany on May 8, 1927, Charlotte came to the United States from Bremerhaven, Germany after marrying her husband Ernest Wells in May of 1949.

Known most recently as "G-G," she was a devoted wife, mother, and grand and great-mother, and friend to many. An endless list of credits and accomplishments could be included here, but for those who knew her, all that really mattered to her was that you knew her. Her greatest joys in life came from the company of family and friends and insuring they always felt welcome in her presence (and well fed!). She never missed an opportunity to host or attend gatherings to celebrate the family she loved and the friends she cherished.

Charlotte was kind and selfless, always putting the needs of her family before anything else. She loved to travel and share her stories with those she encountered. Some of the occasions she cherished most were vacations at the beach, in the mountains, and by lakes with family — whether sitting by a campfire or chatting over her pancake breakfast. In between vacations, summers were spent making sure the swimming pool was ready for her children, grandchildren, and so many in the neighborhood (of course, this included food, too!). She cultivated an appreciation of family and tradition for those around her, and took great pride in seeing the accomplishments of those she loved — whom had more often been touched and inspired by her example.

She was predeceased by her husband, Ernest Wells, her mother, Martha, and a son, Andrew.

She leaves behind her son, James Wells and wife, Deborah of Colebrook; daughter, Audrey Wells and her fiancé, Paul Huckins of Loudon; son, Glenn Wells and wife, Marcy of Manchester; and her cousin, Helga Guthrie, of Concord, who was more like a sister.

Her beloved grandchildren include, Nina and husband, Juliano, Eben and wife, Jennifer, Nicholas and wife, Daryl, Amanda and significant other, Bennie, Daniel and significant other, Brittney, Meghan and fiancé, Shawn, Martha and significant other, Anthony, Hannah, Liam and Brittany, as well as her great-grandchildren, Kelly, Camden, Nathaniel, Carli and Benjamin, and awaiting Easton James. She also leaves several very special nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the Loudon Food Pantry or the Loudon Faith Community Baptist Church Youth Group.

WENDALL A. MOORE

Wendell A. Moore, 92, of Loudon Ridge, died Sunday, Aug. 2, 2015, at Merrimack County Nursing Home in Boscawen surrounded by his family.

He was born on the family farm on Oct. 26, 1922, to Karl C. and Inez A. (Osborne) Moore where he resided his entire life. He graduated from Belmont High School in 1940.

His passion was his family and his life on the family farm where he raised poultry for Hubbard Farms in Walpole, for nearly 30 years; purebred Suffolk sheep and Hereford cattle. He was a member of the NH Farm Bureau and, during his lifetime, his farm received the USDA Bicentennial Farm award (1976) and NH State Grange Century Farm award (1989). He loved his family, his farm and his Ford tractors.

He was predeceased by his parents and two brothers, Lauris D. Moore and Lloyd O. Moore and one sister, Phyllis A. (Moore) Page.

He is survived by his wife of 62 years, Beatrice (Turner) Moore; two sons, Karl C. Moore of Loudon and Larry J. Moore and his wife, Melissa, of Loudon; two daughters, Linda S. Flewelling and her husband, Gere, of Loudon and Diane J. Pearl and her husband, Bruce, of Gilmanton. He is also survived by one granddaughter, Angela C. Pearl and her children, Téa and Aidan Rodney of Gilmanton and nine grandsons, Brett D. Pearl of Gilmanton and Brian M. Pearl and his wife, Jenna and their children, Madelyn and Brooklyn Pearl of Gilmanton; Christopher K. Moore and his wife, Christine, of Rockwell, N.C. and Andrew N. Moore and his fiancé, Lindsay Hoyt, of Salisbury, N.C.; Scot A. Flewelling and Evan G. Flewelling of Loudon; Samuel R. Moore and his wife, Christina, of Loudon, Jeffrey K. Moore and Bradley D. Moore of Loudon. He is also survived by one sister, Barbara (Moore) Burt of Lee, Mass. and many nieces and nephews.

The family thanks the staff of Merrimack County Nursing Home and the Concord Regional VNA Hospice program for their loving care and support.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Concord Regional VNA Hospice program at 30 Pillsbury St., Concord, NH 03301.

JOYCE M. AUDET

Joyce M. (LaCroix) Audet, 65, of Loudon, passed away at home with her family Tuesday, Aug. 11, 2015. She was born in Concord on May 3, 1950, to Jack and Betty LaCroix Sr.

She was predeceased by two brothers, Gary LaCroix and Jack Lacroix Jr.

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Joyce married the love of her life, Richard Audet on June 26, 1971. She provided childcare in her home for more than 25 years. She loved spending time with her family, spending time at Tucker Pond, going to York Beach, fishing and cooking.

Joyce is survived by her loving husband, Richard P. Audet of Loudon; daughter, Stephanie (Audet) Curtin and husband, Dave, son, Christopher Audet; sister, Deborah St. Amand and husband, Sylvio; sister, Roxanne Sinclair and husband, Scott; brother, Scott LaCroix and wife, Tanya; 10 grandchildren; five great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association, 30 Pillsbury St., Concord, NH 03301.

PETER E. CYR

Peter E. Cyr, 60, of Loudon, passed away peacefully on Sunday, Aug. 16, 2015, at the CRVNA Hospice House in Concord.

Peter was born in Concord on Oct. 11, 1954. He attended St. John's School and graduated from Concord High School.

Peter worked for the Jensens Communities for many years in the maintenance department where he was a skilled carpenter and talented tradesman. Throughout the years, Peter loved working in his wood shop creating beautiful family heirlooms for his loved ones. When not enjoying his woodworking, Peter liked to work in his vegetable gardens, ride his Harley Davidson and spend time with his family and friends. Peter loved and embraced being a grandfather to his five grandchildren who more affectionately referred to him as "Bumpa." Peter will be fondly remembered of having the ability to make all those around him smile with his infectious, unique, one-of-a-kind laugh and it will be forever embedded in the hearts of those who knew and loved him so dearly.

He was predeceased by his mother, Mary (Thomison) Cyr.

Peter is survived by his beloved wife of 36 years, Janice (Riel) Cyr of Loudon; his children, William Fitzgerald and his wife, Candace of Penacook; Keri Fitzgerald Davidson and her husband, Derek of Bow; his grandchildren Madison Constant, Rylee Constant, Morgan Davidson, Conor Fitzgerald and Grady Fitzgerald; his brothers Paul Cyr of Franklin; Fred Cyr and his wife, Marsha of Kennerwick, Washington as well as numerous brother and sister in-laws, nieces, nephews and friends.

In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be given to CRVNA Hospice House Program 30 Pillsbury St. Concord, 03303. ■

Library Trustees Meeting Minutes — July 6, 2015

Ken Krzewick called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

In attendance: Trustees Ken Krzewick, Molly Ashland, Alice Tuson; Alternate Herb Huckins; Deborah Gadwah-Lambert, Nancy Hendy, and Fran Nash

Acceptance of minutes: The Trustees reviewed the minutes from the June 15, 2015 meeting. *Ken Krzewick moved to accept the minutes as proposed; seconded by Molly Ashland. All were in favor.*

The display rack from the Loudon Village Arts Association will be stored in the shed of the library. These racks are used twice a year for the art shows.

There was discussion about donation of books and the monthly book sale. Sorting through book donations and time spent in preparation for the monthly book sale is very time consuming and is not the best use

of staff time and resources. There was discussion on how to alleviate this problem. There could be a book donation bin placed on the premises from an outside company, as well as written guidelines on what kind of books would be accepted by the library.

Alice will submit a section to the August *Loudon Ledger* to announce Deborah Gadwah-Lambert as the new library director.

The next Trustees' meeting was scheduled for August 3, 2015 at 5 p.m.

Adjournment: Ken Krzewick made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:33 p.m.; seconded by Molly Ashland. All were in favor.

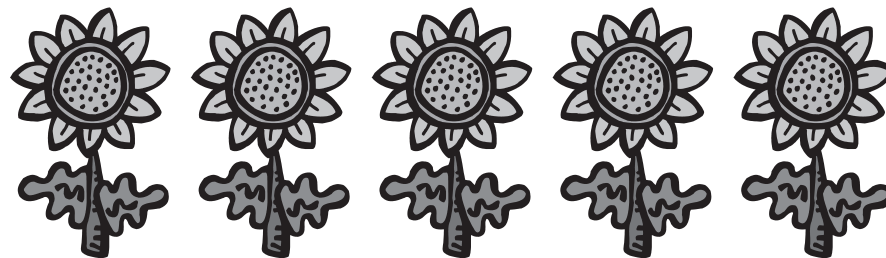
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What Type of Return Will I See On Installing New Windows?

Jack Prendiville
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Ever heard the suggestion that new windows will increase the value of your home? Of course you have and it's typically true. Whether you plan to stay in your house for years or want to sell tomorrow, new windows offer amazing financial benefits. So, how much? The answer depends on the type of windows you install, but according to Energy Star, homeowners who install Energy Star-rated windows can save up to \$500 a year on their heating and cooling costs. That's great if you want to stay in the home but what if you want to sell? Well many agree that installing new windows adds real value to your home. According to HGTV homeowners who install new windows can expect to recoup 60 to 90% of the value of their investment in energy efficient windows. You'll be making your home more appealing and perhaps getting some of your money back. It's a win-win. ■



Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — July 14, 2015

Present: Chairman Bowles, Selectman Krieger and Selectman Ives.

Also Present: Fire Chief Rick Wright, Zoning Board Chairman Dave Powelson and Planning Board Vice Chairman Stan Prescott.

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

Selectman Krieger moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, July 7, 2015 as written. Seconded by Chairman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.

Chairman Bowles opened the Board of Permit meeting.

Chairman Bowles explained that they have three junkyard permit renewals to consider. He said Chief Fiske has reviewed the permits.

The first is the Eastman permit on Ricker Road. Chief Fiske indicated that he has no issue with this permit.

The second is the Green permit on Bumfagon Road. Chairman Bowles said that DES was called up there for an oil spill recently. Chief Fiske recommended that the permit not be signed until DES clears it.

The third is the Lane permit on Route 106. DES recently inspected that property and found some compliance issues. Mr. Fiske recommended holding that permit until those issues are taken care of.

Chairman Bowles stated that Chief Fiske is the one that deals with these permits so he

would go along with his recommendations. Selectman Krieger stated that he would also go along with Chief Fiske. Selectman Ives agreed that the Green and Lane permit should be held until all issues are cleaned up. Chairman Bowles said the Ricker Road renewal is all set and they will hold the other two until they hear from Chief Fiske. Selectman Krieger asked who would be notifying the two. Chairman Bowles said that Chief Fiske will do that, he is compliance. Selectman Ives said the two permit renewals will be held until Chief Fiske gives his okay.

Mr. Powelson asked Chief Wright if there is a fire department rule regarding shared driveways; there is talk about the possibility of one on Route 129. Chief Wright said 9-1-1 prefers that it not be done; there is no specific rule. Selectman Ives said he thought Zoning/Planning discouraged it; he wouldn't be in favor of it. Mr. Powelson said there is an application in for two houses on Route 129 to share a driveway and he doesn't see any particular issue with that. Mr. Prescott stated that the town doesn't have any jurisdiction over it if it's on a state highway. Mr. Powelson said they are coming to the Zoning Board for side yard setbacks and he doesn't have a problem with them sharing a driveway. Selectman Ives stated that 9-1-1 discourages it and they try

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to discourage it. Mr. Powelson said he is trying to figure out what problems there might be. Chief Wright said numbering; they have them with no numbers that they have been to a couple times and it's a delay to try and locate the right place. Mr. Powelson said there is a shared driveway up the road. Chairman Bowles said that was a sight and safety issue. Mr. Prescott said this one is steep but the Planning Board was told they could get in there, they had driveways laid out. Chairman Bowles said he thinks they have changed the location of the driveway. Mr. Powelson said there are three that share his driveway. Chief Wright said there was a question on Berry Road last year and they really tried to discourage it; he said it is not a good idea. Selectman Ives said that just because they have some doesn't mean they should allow more.

Mr. Powelson said someone is looking for 30,000 lb. carbon dioxide tank for greenhouses and he thinks the fire department should weigh in on it. He isn't sure if it is on the Zoning agenda this month or not.

Mr. Powelson explained that someone called the Planning/Zoning Secretary about a house on Route 106. They want to buy the house and put in a home occupation. He explained that it looks like it is a large compound, with a barn or garage and a house. Mr. Powelson said they want a home occupation and build a garage to sell Rhino shelters. Mr. Powelson said it is in the C/I district but is being used as residential. Selectman Ives asked if they can build a separate building for home occupation use. Chairman Bowles said they can; it was changed a few years ago to allow the separate building. Mr. Powelson said he will see if they want to come in for a special exception. Selectman Krieger said he doesn't want to discourage growth.

Chairman Bowles closed the Board of Permit.

The Board met with Fire Chief Rick Wright.

Chief Wright submitted two confidential memos regarding personnel issues.

Chief Wright submitted information regarding missing items from the fire station.

Chief Wright explained they had a meeting at Concord Area Compact regarding the ambulance billing service. He said there were several towns there discussing options. There is a meeting scheduled for next Wednesday with three vendors.

Chief Wright said they have a new member, a firefighter/EMT, he works fulltime at Pease, he lives on Chichester Road and Chief has heard nothing but good about him.

Chief Wright said the UJOC will be open Sunday at Station 2 at the State's request from 10:00–5:00.

Chairman Bowles asked if Chief is all set for the weekend, if he has enough coverage. Chief Wright said he is and they do.

The Board recognized Mark Richards, 1110 Route 129, from the audience.

Mr. Richards explained that he is again complaining about the farm across the street. He explained that a chicken coop has been put in directly across from his residence so he's here to find out what can be done about it. Mr. Richards said he called the state and was told they are doing Best Practice but he feels it's a devaluation of his property. Mr. Richards explained that it looks nothing like what it did when he moved in, it was beautiful rolling fields, now there are pigs, goats, cows and he hears there will be chickens. He said he is voicing his concern, he had thirteen cows on his front lawn a week ago that caused property damage, and he just paid \$9,000 for a paved driveway that now has hoof-marks on it. Mr. Richards said they filed a report. He is concerned about his wife's safety, the cows came flying up the road, and she had to run into the house. Mr. Richards said this is the third time they have gotten out this year; he said there has to be a limit or a fine. He is concerned about the additional flies they are getting now. Mr. Richards said he noticed that the property owner across the street is only paying \$1 per acre; he said he isn't sure how that valuation came about. Mr. Richards said he would like to have that checked into. He stated that he is disappointed; he doesn't know what can be done so now he's dealing State Senators, State Representatives, and the Executive Council. Selectman Krieger stated that he found an RSA 635:3 about trespassing livestock for Mr. Richards. Mr. Richards said he did not know about this RSA. He explained they did file a report when the cows were at his house right after the lawn had been reseeded; there were hoof prints, cow poop all over the place which actually ate part of the pavement. Mr. Richards said if this happens again they will go to civil court and sue for damages. He said he just want to get along; there are 34 acres so he doesn't understand why it all has to be done across from his yard. He explained that there are days when he can't go out on his front lawn because of the smell. Selectman Ives asked if an animal presents danger to a family can you legally dispatch an animal. Selectman Krieger said yes but a person better be able to articulate it; the best thing to do would be to call the farmer. Chairman Bowles explained that the town has an Agricultural Commission. He said he would like to see them get involved as a mediator if necessary; it's part of their responsibility as a commission. Selectman Krieger recognized Mr. Tuson in the audience and asked Mr. Tuson to review RSA 635:3.

The Board recognized Jerry Gappens from the audience. Mr. Gappens explained that he was in the neighborhood so he stopped by for a few minutes. Selectman Ives explained that Fire Chief Wright was in earlier and said everything was going good. Mr. Gappens stated that Chief Wright is just a really cooperative guy. Mr. Gappens

explained that Police Chief Fiske came in and met with the NH Liquor Commission; about the enforcement side of things last week. Mr. Gappens said everyone seems to be working good together and is prepared. Selectman Krieger stated that Chief Wright's father was awesome and Rick is doing a great job too. Mr. Gappens agreed. Selectman Ives said he is providing great leadership in the fire department.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received the Merrimack Valley School District July 2015 invoice in the amount of \$722,040.64.

The Board received copies of the current expenditure reports.

The Board received a request from Jean Lee, Kim Bean and Friends regarding the placement of a park bench at the gazebo in memory of Irene Dow. The Board all agreed that the bench can be placed near the gazebo. Selectman Krieger said he thinks it is a great idea; the Dow family has done a lot for the town.

The Board received a letter from Matt and Patty Smith regarding 7060 Pleasant Street Extension. Chairman Bowles stated that the deal fell through with the person that had the winning bid at the auction for this property. Mr. and Mrs. Smith offered to purchase the property. Selectman Krieger said he appreciates their generous offer but he thinks it would be fair to put it back up for auction. Selectman Ives said he feels they should make a good faith effort to get back as much as they can for the past owner. Chairman Bowles agreed. They all thank the Smith's for their offer but it will go back up for auction.

The Board received a memo from the office manager regarding the 2015 Junkyard Permit renewals. The Board reviewed them during Board of Permit earlier in the meeting.

The Board received an appointment paper for Douglas Towle to be an Agricultural Commission Member. *Selectman Ives made a motion to appoint Douglas Towle as an Agricultural Commission member with a term to expire March 31, 2018. Seconded by Selectman Krieger. All in favor. Motion carries.* Selectman Ives noted that they make these appointments based on the recommendations of the Agricultural Commission.

The Board received a letter from Senator John Reagan regarding the State Operating Budget.

The Board received a copy of a Shoreland Permit Application for Manchester Sand & Gravel and New England Flower Farms for their review.

The Board received a letter from Conservation Commission Chair, Julie Robinson regarding the Shoreland Permit Application for Manchester Sand & Gravel and New England Flower Farms. The letter indicates that the Conservation Commission has no issues with the application.

The Board received a thank you note from the Dow family.

The Board received the Maxfield Public Library Trustees meeting minutes of June 15, 2015.

The Board received the ESMI Self-report for June 2015.

The Board received an abutter notice from the Zoning Board of Adjustment regarding an application for a special exception for Larry Stripling of COPART. The meeting date is July 23, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

The Board received the June 2015 property transfers.

The Board received miscellaneous correspondence.

The Board recognized Earl Tuson from the audience. Mr. Tuson asked the Board if they have any questions for him. They said they did not. Mr. Tuson said the Commissioner of Agriculture contacted him to share some of Mr. Richards's concerns regarding property values. He said his only property value there is in agricultural production; it's the only property value he has, he can't put houses there. Mr. Tuson said the property is under Conservation Assessment. Mr. Tuson said Mr. Batchelder uses that property to relieve his own small property; this gives the livestock much more room. He said he has asked Mr. Batchelder to work with NRCS. He said he has been working with them and putting their suggestions into place. Mr. Tuson explained that the chicken coop is going there because the field that Mr. Batchelder originally inquired about is more usable for Mr. Tuson for growing vegetables. Mr. Tuson said this field has two entrances; there are wet areas and setbacks that Mr. Batchelder has to work with. Selectman Ives said he believes Mr. Richards moved there with the idea that he had a beautiful view but Mr. Tuson needs to be able to use his land as a farm; he said there needs to be give and take. Mr. Tuson said it is frustrating to hear that the police and even this Board somewhat advocate violent means of dealing with these things, shooting livestock is not kosher. Selectman Ives said if you have to protect your family if something comes onto your property that's their right. Mr. Tuson said they chase animals onto other people's property; there are laws against harassing animals. Selectman Krieger said they did not advocate anything and that is why he clearly told Mr. Richards his best bet was to call Mr. Tuson or someone that can deal with the animals. Selectman Krieger said by no means are they recommending that anyone shoot anything. Chairman Bowles said that as the property owner it would be in Mr. Tuson's best interest to encourage Mr. Batchelder to keep the fences in order and the cattle contained.

Selectman Krieger moved to adjourn at 7:22 p.m. Seconded by Chairman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.

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Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — July 21, 2015

Present: Chairman Bowles and Selectman Ives.

Also Present: Road Agent Lance Houle
Chairman Bowles called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Selectman Ives moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, July 14, 2015 as written. Seconded by Chairman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board met with Road Agent Lance Houle.

Mr. Houle explained that on Thursday they are going to have the cracks sealed on Hemlock Hill, Plateau Ridge and Cross Brook Road.

Mr. Houle said Pike grinded Lovejoy Road last week. He explained that they have started to add gravel. Mr. Houle said he would be closing the road on Wednesday while they lay fabric. Chairman Bowles asked that Mr. Houle stay in contact with Chief Wright and Chief Fiske during the road closure. Mr. Houle said he hopes to finish graveling Lovejoy Thursday and go to Piper Hill on Friday. He said they also will add a little gravel to Stonegate Terrace. Mr. Houle said everything will set and they should be in the second week of August to pave.

Chairman Bowles said he spoke to Mr. Martin about the glass at the Transfer Station, they feel there is about 1,000 tons there at this point. Mr. Martin feels it can be ground up in 4-5 days and would cost \$20,000 which is \$20 per ton. Chairman Bowles said at the last NRRA meeting they were saying it is \$23-24 per ton. He said because it is one site, and they can set up for 4-5 days they are willing to do it for that price. Chairman Bowles said now they need to figure out how to pay for it. Selectman Ives asked what is done with it. Chairman Bowles said it can be used around culverts, to sub-grade below gravel, and lifting areas of roads that are wet. He explained that it is a very usable product. Chairman Bowles said they need to do something because eventually DES is going to ask what they are doing with that big pile of glass. Selectman Ives asked when the last time they had it ground was. Chairman Bowles said never. Selectman Ives clarified that this would be an expense with no revenue coming in from it but they would have a stockpile of material to use. Chairman Bowles said when it was discussed with the previous road agent he thought half of the cost should come out of the transfer station budget and half out of the highway department budget. Chairman Bowles said they might have to wait until next summer and raise the money. Selectman Ives asked how long the price is good for. Chairman Bowles said he will check. He said the good thing is that it is not a yearly occurrence, that pile has been accumulating at least since Steve Bennett has been there; 12 years. Selectman Ives said he'd hate to sacrifice the budget. He'd like to see it built into the budget next year. Chairman Bowles said he will contact Mr. Martin and ask if he will hold the price for budget purposes. Chairman Bowles explained that there will be some return because they will use that instead of buying some gravel. Chairman Bowles said the transfer station has an expendable trust fund that they might be able to take half from but they would still need to find the other half. Chairman Bowles said they like to do it in the summer when it's as dry as possible; the end of August first of September is the ideal time for crushing. Selectman Ives said if they can find it in the budget for this year he

wouldn't be opposed to it but if it can wait and it be built into the budget it would be best. Mr. Houle stated that at least they are working on a plan; that should satisfy DES.

Selectman Ives said he was talking to someone in Epsom who told him that they don't use sand on their dirt roads in the winter, they use pea stone. Mr. Houle said they do, it's expensive. He said it has its purpose like in a heavy freezing rain storm but using it for everything would be a huge expense.

Selectman Ives asked Mr. Houle if he was going to get the paving done at the garage that they spoke to the crew about. Mr. Houle agreed to look at the paving and the budget.

Mr. Houle said Brian Magoon removed some trees for him on Lovejoy, Batchelder and School Streets. Mr. Houle said there are a lot more that really need to come down around town. Selectman Ives suggested that he keep picking away at them; some each year.

Chairman Bowles explained that they received an email from the Freewill Baptist Church regarding the hand rail that was taken out for the funeral of Betty Frost. Chairman Bowles said they need to figure out how to get that re-secured and get it so it can be easily removed for future funerals.

Mr. Houle explained that he received a call from Mike Harris. Mr. Harris claimed that he drove his car down Lesmerises Road off Clough Pond Road, he said there was no sign, the first 50 feet or so wasn't bad but then it got bad, he couldn't turn around or back out so he drove his car out and did damage to his vehicle. Mr. Houle said there is a big white sign there and about 30 feet in there were tree limbs down near the ground which would indicate the road is not traveled heavily. Mr. Houle said he went and took pictures of the sign and the trees hanging. He said Mr. Harris left another message today. Selectman Ives suggested that if Mr. Harris contacts Mr. Houle again he should explain that he is not authorized to settle anything like this and Mr. Harris should contact the Selectmen's office. Roger Maxfield asked what the sign says. Mr. Houle said it says closed by gates and bars; non-maintained road.

Selectman Ives told Mr. Houle that if he runs into anyone that is giving him a hard time he doesn't have to take any abuse he just needs to send them right to the Selectmen; that is what they are there for.

Chairman Bowles said that Steve Bennett updated the job description for the Transfer Station Manager. Selectman Ives asked Mr. Houle to review it. He explained that Mr. Houle and Selectmen Ives and Krieger would be reviewing the applications. He said the job will be posted on the town website and around town.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received appointment papers for Agricultural Commission members: Cindy Shea term to exp 3/31/16, Christos Koufos term to expire 3/31/16, Carole Soule term to expire 3/31/17, Bruce Dawson term to expire 3/31/17, Annette Batchelder 3/31/18, Larry Stone term to expire 3/31/18, and Douglas Towle term to expire 3/31/18. Chairman Bowles explained that these are not new appointments. These are corrected appointment papers; the originals said "Agricultural Committee" they should have read "Agricultural Commission."

The Board received an invoice in the amount of \$23,410.25 to NHMS for Fire Department expenses for NASCAR race for

review. Chairman Bowles noted that this amount was down from last year.

The Board received an email from the Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church regarding front step handrail. This was discussed earlier in the meeting. Selectman Ives asked who requested that the railing be removed. Chairman Bowles said he offered it to Henry when he was making his condolences. He explained that it is always removed for funerals. Chairman Bowles explained that the bolts rusted into the shield so when they went to take them out the bolts twisted off, and need to be replaced. He said it is fixable; the highway guys just haven't had time to get to it yet.

The Board received a copy of a letter that went from Chief Fiske to the Loudon Police Personnel. Chairman Bowles read the following: *I would like to express my appreciation for everyone's help and coordination during this past race week. This particular weekend is notorious as being a busy and stressful weekend as most of you are aware. I was proud to see everyone working in harmony and saw true team participation. Whether it was responding to calls, checking on personnel, to setting up road closure details, all went smoothly.*

The Board received the Clough Pond Beach water test results from Chief Fiske. The results are good for swimming.

The Board received a change of attorney paperwork for Fairpoint litigation from the town attorney.

The Board received a copy of the Loudon Agricultural Commission June 4, 2015 meeting minutes.

The Board received a copy of the check they received for the hay field mowing.

The Board received Emerald Ash Borer information from NH Dept of Agriculture.

The Board received information from Deb Avery regarding her daughter Brooke's UNH/Hockey East press release and a thank you for a scholarship.

The Board received a thank you letter from Scholarship recipient Chance Grimaldi.

The Board received an Xfinity TV service change notice.

The Board received miscellaneous correspondence.

Selectman Ives stated that the building committee is waiting for plans from the architect, who is waiting for information from her engineer. Once the architect has the information and finishes the plans it will go out to bid to general contractors. Selectman Ives said they have a list of three general contractors they want to work with and a list of sub-contractors i.e excavators, electricians, plumbers, most of these are from town. He said they are still moving forward but it is dragging right now and is frustrating but they are moving forward.

Selectman Ives moved to adjourn at 6:43 p.m. Seconded by Chairman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Dustin J. Bowles, Chairman

Robert P. Krieger, Selectman

Steven R. Ives, Selectman

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — July 28, 2015

Present: Chairman Bowles, Selectman Krieger and Selectman Ives.

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

Selectman Ives moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, July 21, 2015 as written. Seconded by Chairman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received eleven (11) past due ambulance bills for review. *Selectman Ives made a motion to send the following ambulance bills to collection: acct #1263 for \$286.66, acct #6128 for \$712.40, acct #6128 for \$742.40, acct #6392 for \$312.66, acct #6896 for \$820.20, acct #6902 for \$108.69, acct #7539 for \$104.79, acct #7888 for \$605.60, acct #8248 for \$126.82, and acct #8459 for \$250.00. Seconded by Selectman Krieger. All in favor. Motion carried.*

The Board received copies of invoices from the Police Department to CN Brown in the amount of \$1,200 and to NHMS in the amount of \$101,716.50 for the 2015 July NASCAR race.

The Board received a notice from DES regarding Solid Waste Facility Operator Workshops. A copy was forwarded to Transfer Station Manager Steve Bennett.

The Board received a copy of J.O. Cate Van new driver certification for Wilfred Comtois.

The Board received a copy of the ESMI 2nd Quarter 2015 Host Community Fee report.

The Board received a copy of the UNH Training Calendar. A copy will be forwarded to the Road Agent.

The Board received the ZBA approved meeting minutes of June 25, 2015.

The Board received a newspaper article that was left anonymously on the counter in the town office on July 28, 2015.

The Board received a memo from the Office Manager regarding the following:

The Transfer Station job has been posted on the town website, in the usual posting places and in the town office. Applications/resumes are due by 4 p.m. Tuesday, August 4, 2015.

The Scholarship Committee needs to get together to review applications.

New town office update — architect is still waiting for engineers.

Auditor will be in the office August 17-19, 2015.

Chairman Bowles said the recreation committee event this Wednesday is "Wildlife Encounters" at the recreation field at 7 p.m.

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

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Dustin J. Bowles, Chairman

Robert P. Krieger, Selectman

Steven R. Ives, Selectman

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — August 4, 2015

Present: Chairman Bowles and Selectman Ives.

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

Selectman Ives moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, July 28, 2015 as written. Seconded by Chairman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.

Chairman Bowles recognized Alfred Page from the audience.

Mr. Page explained that he is very interested in purchasing one of the two mobile homes that the town owns in the Presidential Pines mobile home park. Mr. Page said he has seen the outside and would like to see the inside of the homes. Selectman Ives suggested that Mr. Page look at the homes and if he is still interested his next step would be to get approval from the park. Chairman Bowles will contact Mr. Page on Wednesday and meet him at the properties.

Chairman Bowles recognized Steve Jakubowski from the audience. Mr. Jakubowski said he noticed a sign on Bee Hole Road in front of a residence that says "robbed" and gives details such as the date and approximate time and asks for help from anyone that may have seen something. He asked if this is something that will be reported in the police blotter in the *Loudon Ledger* so people know that this is going on. Mr. Jakubowski explained that when he first raised the issue about the police putting something in the *Ledger* it was specifically for this type of thing as opposed to pizza night. He asked if this is something they will put in. Selectman Ives said he doesn't know; that would be up to the Police Chief because he is not going to tell the Chief how to run his department. Mr. Jakubowski said that in previous conversations the Board was in general, supportive of this type of stuff and that residents should know about it. Mr. Jakubowski asked that whatever influence the Board wants to exert on the Police Chief he would ask that this be included in the *Ledger*. Chairman Bowles stated that the Chief can certainly be asked to include it. Mr. Jakubowski clarified that he is not asking the Board to tell the Chief how to run his department he said there is a difference between running a department and as a public officials making the voters and residents aware of what is going on. Selectman Ives explained that he said that because he doesn't know police business so he doesn't know if advertising robberies is productive or counter-productive. Mr. Jakubowski said other local and state-wide newspapers list police activity so they obviously think it's important and productive. Chairman Bowles said his opinion the eyes and ears of this community are the people; they can help the most. He said that the highway guys being out at 2-3 in the mornings in the winter have spotted things that they have called in; they just need to know there are issues in certain areas. Mr.

Jakubowski said the best tool the police department has is the residents of Loudon.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received an email from Marc Richard regarding property on Route 129.

The Board received an email from Michelle Richard regarding property on Route 129.

The Board received the J.O. Cate Committee Meeting Minutes of June 25, 2015.

The Board received the J.O. Cate scheduling report for June 26, 2015 to July 30, 2015.

The Board received the following reminders.

Old Home Day is this Saturday, August 8th.

MV School Board Meeting is Monday, August 10th at 7:15 p.m.

Scholarship Committee Meeting is Tuesday, August 11th at 5:00 p.m.

TCP Meeting is Thursday, August 13th at 1:15 p.m.

The auction for the two tax properties is Saturday, August 15th starting at 10:00 a.m.

Chairman Bowles stated that the Board received Transfer Station Manager Job applications. Mr. Bowles handed the envelope with the applications to Selectman Ives. Selectman Ives said he, Selectman Krieger and Road Agent Houle will be reviewing the applications.

Chairman Bowles recognized Library Trustees, Molly Ashland and Alice Tuson from the audience. Ms. Ashland introduced the new library director Debbie Gadwah-Lambert to the Selectmen. She said they are very happy to have Debbie; she has already done some amazing things and upgrades

that have been needed. Chairman Bowles welcomed Debbie and expressed his hope that the library and the board will continue to work together. Selectman Ives also welcomed Debbie. Debbie said they are planning informal "meet the librarian" days the second and third Saturday of September at the library. Selectman Ives mentioned they should be sure to get it in the *Ledger*. Debbie said the library has a Facebook page and she is actively working on a new website.

Selectman Ives moved to adjourn at 6:37 p.m. Seconded by Chairman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.

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Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — August 11, 2105

Present: Chairman Bowles, Selectman Krieger and Selectman Ives.

Also present was: Police Chief Bob Fiske, Fire Chief Rick Wright, Road Agent Lance Houle, Planning Board Representative Stan Prescott and Zoning Board Representative Dave Powelson.

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

Selectman Ives moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, August 4, 2015 as written. Seconded by Chairman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.

Chairman Bowles opened the Board of Permit meeting.

Chief Fiske explained that he hadn't heard from NHMS regarding the Color Run that is to be held at night as well as the Boy Scout Jamboree. He said he spoke to Jessica at the track; she said she is on the agenda to meet with the Selectmen next week. Chief Fiske said he asked if she has submitted a traffic control plan to the state, she told him she has spoken to them. He said that he has not seen any correspondence, he doesn't know how many people there will be, what gate they are going in etc. Chief Fiske explained that he wanted to bring it to their attention because time is of the essence. Chairman Bowles asked if a date is set for

the events. Chief Fiske said the Boy Scouts are Columbus Day weekend and The Color Run is September 12. Selectman Ives said with kids involved he would like to speak to someone from the Boy Scouts about that event.

Chief Fiske said Greg Colarusso is looking to put an electrical line across Currier Road for a new house. Chief Fiske is wondering if this is something that should be bonded. He recalls that when the Browns wanted to run a sap line under the road on the Ridge a bond was discussed. Chairman Bowles said that was a paved road and they wanted the bond in case they had to go back in and fix the road. Chief Fiske asked if Mr. Colarusso can move ahead or if he needs a bond. Selectman Krieger asked the Road Agent what he thought. Mr. Houle said he doesn't think there will be any mess. Selectman Ives said being a gravel road and with the people being involved he knows they'll do an excellent job. But he is concerned that if they don't set a bond for this one they'll be setting a precedent for the next one that comes along that maybe doesn't have quite the same reputation. Discussion ensued regarding the cost of fixing the road should it not be fixed properly. The Board agreed that a bond in the amount of \$2,000 would have to be put in place.

Chief Fiske said there is a controversy regarding sprinklers. He said there is a house on Memory Lane and one on Lower Ridge Road being built. He said that since sprinklers cannot be mandated now the question is why do they have to have them. Chief Fiske said he believes the sprinklers were a condition of the subdivisions and those sprinklers must be roughed in before the rough inspection or they won't get a certificate of occupancy. Chairman Bowles said if they are part of a subdivision approval he believes they have to follow through; they can try to go to zoning for relief. Mr. Powelson said with the appeal process they can appeal any decision made by any board. He explained that they have to appeal within 45 days of the decision so they can't appeal the original decision they would have to appeal Chief Fiske's decision. Mr. Powelson said they could try a hardship variance but this is a life safety issue. Selectman Ives said they can't change the conditions of the subdivision approval on a house by house basis and that's what they are trying to do. Mr. Powelson said they can come see the zoning board.

Selectman Krieger asked Chief Fiske to contact Jessica at the track and fill her in on

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their discussion tonight. He also suggested Chief tell her that things need to move along quicker.

Chairman Bowles closed the Board of Permit.

The Board met with Chief Fiske.

Chief Fiske said he wrote a letter to NHDOT requesting that the speed limit be dropped from 55 at Staniels Road.

Chief Fiske said an officer went to check on Mr. Shaver's property this afternoon and found that he is continuing to clean up a little at a time but it is nowhere near substantial. Chairman Bowles said he has been in the transfer station so he knows he is making an attempt.

Chief Fiske said he will be writing a letter to the Lane and Green junkyards asking that they get a remedial letter from DES so they can move forward with their permits.

The Board met with Chief Wright.

Chief Wright explained that Loudon's first factory-built Engine — a 1941 Ford Model T — was in the Loudon Old Home Day parade and is in the fire station now. He said Engine 2 was Loudon's second Engine ever and is currently owned by former Fire Chief Jeff Jenkins. Chief Wright said both he and Jeff would like to see the department get this truck back; it is an important part of history. Chief said they are currently looking at options to make that happen.

Chief Wright said he and other Capital Area towns met with four different ambulance billing companies; he said they have another meeting tomorrow. After that meeting he will bring the Selectmen his recommendation for which company he thinks they should hire.

Chief Wright said a sign board was purchased in memory of Joe Merrill and delivered to the fire station yesterday. He said the sign board will be stored at station one and be available to any town agency that has an event that they would like to use it for. Chief Wright thanked Cindy Merrill and Dusty Bowles for their help with the purchase and delivery of the sign board.

Chief Wright said on Sunday the fire department personnel did a cat rescue from a tree on Hardy Road. The cat's owner called and thanked them for the professional and courteous way they handled the rescue; a picture is being sent to the *Loudon Ledger* to show appreciation for a job well done.

Chief Wright said the date for the Harvest supper has been set for Saturday, October 17th.

Chief Wright said they had their 75th Anniversary dinner at the Sno-Shakers Club a couple of weeks ago.

Chief Wright said at Old Home Day they had some of the old trucks and games for their 75th. Chief Wright said he wants to thank all the people who worked for the fire department fundraiser.

Chief Wright said the Timberman Triathlon will be coming through town on Sunday.

Selectman Ives said Judy Merrow brought old photo's to the 75th Anniversary dinner. It was a good time going through those photos. Chief Wright explained that she asked if the department has a historian. Chief Wright said they don't but since then he has spoken to Gary Sleeper who is going to organize photos and put them on disk, Charlie Byrnes is going to update the fire department board of past people and Dick Wright is going to talk to some of the former members and get history.

The Board met with Mr. Houle.

Mr. Houle explained that they set three basins and 180' of pipe at Oak Hill and Lovejoy Roads. He said they put in a basin and 100' of pipe across from Dragonfly Drive on Lovejoy Road and it worked today. He said he met with Pike today and they looked at driveway tie-ins. Pike will be in on Friday to lay the base. Mr. Houle said Mr. Malfait was very cooperative so they were able to move the stonewall back and set a basin.

Mr. Houle said he spoke to a gentleman that blew a tire on E. Ricker Road. Mr. Houle reviewed the tax map with the gentlemen it's hard to pinpoint whether it happened in Loudon or Chichester. Mr. Houle said the man is getting a little frustrated. Selectman Krieger asked what the man wants. Mr. Houle said he hasn't asked for anything yet he just wanted the Selectmen to be aware of the situation.

Chairman Bowles asked about the driveways on Lovejoy Road. Mr. Houle said they started working on them today, marking them, cutting some and getting them tied into the new road. He explained that they will be working on them Wednesday and Thursday in preparation for pavement on Friday.

Selectman Ives explained that he, Selectman Krieger and Road Agent Houle are the hiring committee for the Transfer Station Manager Job. He said that applications were due last Tuesday. Selectman Ives opened the envelope that contained the applications and said they received three applications. The applicants will be contacted to come in for interviews next Tuesday. Selectman Ives stated for the record that one of the applicants is sitting on this Board, Dustin Bowles. Selectman Ives said Mr. Bowles will not be involved in this procedure whatsoever.

Selectman Krieger asked Mr. Houle to get together with the office manager to discuss t-shirts for the highway department. Mr. Houle said he will, there have been conversations about colors and what should be on the t-shirt. Mr. Houle suggested they just say Town of Loudon with the seal so the transfer station department can also use them.

Selectman Krieger thanked all the departments for a successful Old Home Day. It seemed well attended in the morning when he was there. He said the Old Home Day Committee does a very, very good job. He said it couldn't be done without the help of the Highway, Police and Fire Depart-

ments. Selectman Krieger said a lot of people that aren't even from Loudon come over. Chairman Bowles said everyone does a good job and the committee certainly puts in a lot of hours to make it happen. Selectman Ives said it shows the teamwork among all the departments, everybody works together and gets the job done. He agrees with Selectman Krieger; people from outside the town say what a nice town this is.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received a copy of the August 2015 bill for the Merrimack Valley School district in the amount of \$722,040.64.

The Board received a copy of a letter from Bob Fiske to NH DOT regarding Staniels Road and Route 106 project. The letter is in regards to his concerns about the speed limit as was discussed earlier in this meeting.

The Board received information regarding the NH Big Tree Program and a certificate of appreciation for Tree #849. Roger Maxfield stated that this tree, located on Piper Hill Road, is the largest Hemlock tree in Merrimack County.

The Board received a J.O. Cate Van, new driver certification notice for Fred Miller. The Board thanks Mr. Miller for volunteering his time to the Van.

The Board received population estimates from Office of Energy and Planning.

The Board received Fuel/Electric Assistance information from CAP. CAP is setting up appointments for the 2015/2016 season. This information will be posted in the town office lobby.

The Board received the Agricultural Commission July 2, 2015 Meeting Minutes.

The Board received Maxfield Public Library Trustee Meeting Minutes of July 6, 2015.

The Board received an updated Telephone Listing with new Library Director's information.

The Board received correspondence from Michael Harris regarding drone aircraft.

The Board received the following reminders.

TCP Meeting is Thursday, August 13th at 1:15 p.m.

The auction for the two tax properties is Saturday, August 15th starting at 10:00 a.m.

Chairman Bowles recognized Police Chief Bob Fiske. Chief Fiske gave each of the three Selectmen a copy of the following letter:

August 11, 2015

To all my friends and Residents of Loudon:

After nearly 44 years serving as your Police Chief, as well as the past 20 years serving as the Code Enforcement Officer,

Building Inspector, Health Inspector and in recent years, Emergency Management Director, this letter will serve as my official notice of retirement from these duties effective September 20, 2015.

When I started in 1969, after returning from Vietnam, I was the youngest Police Chief in the State of NH at the age of 21. Although I took a brief break for approximately 3 years early in my career, it was evident that the profession pulled me back into the force.

In the many years I have worked for the residents of the Town of Loudon, I have seen a magnitude of changes. From a small, 2 person police force that was based from my home residence with my personal vehicle, to the fully staffed police department that consists of 6 full time officers and up to 6 part time police officers, an administrative assistant and dispatcher, fully equipped cruisers, to include a mobile command unit and trailer. In addition, several grants have been obtained over the years to oversee the various threats we need to remain vigilant of such as the emergency command unit, surveillance cameras, and emergency response procedures which deal with the major venue that hosts major races.

It has truly been a rewarding and pleasurable experience working for the residents of Loudon. I feel somewhat guilty in leaving my employ because of the close relationship that I have gained with all of our residents.

Although I will miss interacting with town folks on a daily basis in my chosen profession(s), it has come time for me to step back and look forward to enjoying a long and healthy retirement.

I cannot express enough gratitude to the residents over the years and have been truly humbled by your unwavering support. It has been an honor and privilege to serve and protect the residents of Loudon.

I look forward to being involved in the transitioning of my positions to persons qualified to continue the tasks.

In closing, I would like to commend the men and women of the Loudon Police Department for their dedication and professionalism to duty. It has been a true brotherhood and I will miss them dearly.

Sincerely,
Robert N. Fiske

Chairman Bowles stated that they regretfully accept it.

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

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Planning Board Meeting Minutes — July 16, 2105

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Vice Chairman Stanley Prescott.

Attendance:

Tom Moore, Henry Huntington, Stan Prescott, Bob Cole, Ex-Officio Dustin Bowles, and Alternate Alice Tuson

Alice Tuson was appointed to be a voting member in the absence of George Saunderson.

Acceptance of Minutes:

June 18, 2015 Regular Meeting — Henry Huntington made a motion to accept the minutes as written; seconded by Bob Cole. All were in favor.

Old Business:

Application #15-03, Debra Rattee — Minor Subdivision, Map 46, Lot 35, RR District. Abutters Paula, Kevin, and Warren Wells and Scott Newton were present. Jeff Green represented the applicant.

Mr. Green distributed revised plans, noting that he has included the buildable areas, added the north arrow, noted driveways for Lots 16 and 18, adjusted acreage as a result of last month's lot line adjustment, corrected note numbering, and added lot configuration boxes. He will add note #9 for the septic approval. Stan Prescott said the Board wanted the VanWormer septic system shown as it is located very close to the property line. He also said that Mr. Green stated at a previous meeting that there was no definition for the driveways of Lots 16 and 18 but he went to the registry and found the Hillger deed which clearly gives definition. Mr. Prescott said this needs to be straightened out. He pointed out that note #8 says 33' ROW; it should be 50' down to 33' at a specific location. Mr. Green stated that it is a 33' ROW for people to use. He said he could clarify that it is within a 50' strip from School Street to the beginning of the Wells property.

The Vice Chairman asked if there any abutters wishing to speak in favor of or against the application. Warren Wells said he is against the application. He asked if the plan is to build just one house. Mr. Green said that is correct. Mr. Wells asked how this subdivision will be getting services. He said the VanWormer property is being fed from Sunset Drive by secondaries. He asked how this lot would be served with a 33' ROW. Mr. Green said the applicant has three options: 1) she could grant herself an easement across lot; 2) come in off Rainbow but there would be a wetland impact; 3) come in off School Street by way of the 33' ROW by VanWormer.

Tom Moore said the notes on the plan referring to an association that does not exist are a concern. Mr. Green said they cannot make residents join an association; they are simply trying to give them a tool to start that. He said the maintenance agreement says if the Hummels or these two lots access

Rainbow Drive they would have to join whatever was in place at the time. Mr. Green said the residents on the road have an informal agreement right now. He said a fair share would be determined by the association when developed. Warren Wells said he is trying to get something together. He said there is a lot of wording being passed around; it is simple but would cover everything. Mr. Wells said it is difficult to get the wording determined when dealing with a large number of people. Stan Prescott stated that it is part of the planning regulations that an association be established. He said the town's attorney reviewed the draft agreement and his comments need to be addressed. Mr. Green was given a copy of the attorney's comments as well as a letter with questions/comments that was submitted by abutter Joe Eggleston. Mr. Green addressed Mr. Eggleston's first point about the lot being a corner lot. He said the lot's frontage is on a private road, Rainbow Drive, not on School Street. He addressed Mr. Eggleston's second point about the driveway to Lot 35-1 crossing a side setback. Mr. Green said the driveway already existed; the access off School Street has been in place since 1988.

Stan Prescott stated that the town attorney says the applicant needs to get an association established. Mr. Green said they cannot do that as they cannot make anyone create or join an association. He said they can only state that the lots will belong to an association at such time as one is established. Referring to Section 23.3 of the regulations, Dustin Bowles said because the applicant is creating a subdivision on a private road, she could create a road maintenance agreement for these two lots out to School Street. Bob Cole said he also understands it that way. Tom Moore asked if the road is part of the lot and if it is taxed as one lot. It was agreed that was correct. Stan Prescott said it would appear that she will sell Lot 35 and own Lot 35-1 and the road. Warren Wells said this is a minor subdivision with access off School Street. He said it was stated in previous meetings that there would be no access on Rainbow Drive; he feels there are some blurred lines when it comes to accessing Rainbow Drive/joining an association. Jeff Green said the applicant has access to Lot 35-1 through a strip of land that she owns; that would become a shared driveway with the VanWormer property. He said notes #6 and #7 could be combined, stating that both lots would be subject to join if an association is established. He again stated that the applicant cannot establish something but this agreement would be a tool that these two lots cannot refuse participating at the time something is created. Alice Tuson said she thought it would be good to get something in writing. Tom Moore asked Mr. Wells how other residents on the road feel about an

association. Mr. Wells said he is telling people it would be in their best interest to do this, that way they would have some sort of agreement if selling their property, etc. He said there is some resistance. Dustin Bowles said he feels he would be satisfied if there was an agreement from the end of the subdivision out to School Street in place. Stan Prescott stated that Mr. Green is to address the attorney's comments.

The Vice Chairman closed the hearing to the public and opened it to Board members only.

Alice Tuson referred to Article 4 of the Land Development Regulations with regard to points #1 and #2 of Mr. Eggleston's letter. She noted that the fire department does not like shared driveways and asked if the Board should get their input. Point #1: Dustin Bowles said Rainbow Drive is a private way and he does not agree with Mr. Eggleston's statement about it being a corner lot. He said the access was created long ago. Jeff Green said they met with the VanWormers about the driveway, taking care of it, logging, etc. He said they are looking at several options for the access area. Tom Moore said he agreed the lot is not the intent of the definition of a corner lot. Board members agreed. Point #2: Tom Moore stated this lot is old and there were no other intentions at the time except as an access to this land. He said he does not have a problem with it; he sees it as a grandfathered situation, leading to the only dry spot on the lot. Others agreed. Point #3: The lot number would stay with the existing house; the new lot number would go with the balance of the parcel.

There was lengthy discussion about creating an association, maintenance agreement, and the attorney's responses. Mr. Prescott again said that Mr. Green needs to answer the attorney's questions. Notes 6 and 7 will be combined, adding Lot 35-1 to note 6, deleting note 7. The ROW width in note 8 needs to be clarified as 50' to 33' at the Wells property. It was agreed that clarification on the agreement is needed before deciding the note wording. The VanWormer septic system is to be shown. Dustin Bowles said the Board is asking the applicant to do something that cannot be done. Henry Huntington said this is a unique situation and he would suggest going back to the attorney to be more specific as he feels the response is rather vague. He said now is the time to get it right, once and for all. Stan Prescott said this is why he asked Mr. Green to write explanations to the attorney's questions. He said the Board could then iron it out with the attorney. Mr. Prescott said he would gladly take Mr. Green's info to the attorney for clarification.

Tom Moore asked if the applicant is planning to make the road its own lot at some point. Mr. Green said she would love to be able to do that. He said there are now established bounds but it would have to

have an owner. He said it could be deeded to an association. Warren Wells said he would gladly take it if Ms. Rattee wanted to separate it. It was left that Mr. Green should respond to the town attorney's comments and have his client talk with Mr. Wells about his offer.

Dustin Bowles made a motion to continue the hearing to the meeting of August 20, 2015; seconded by Tom Moore. All were in favor. The meeting will be at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Building; there will be no further notification.

Discussion:

Miles Smith Farm — Theresa Downey and Bruce Dawson were present as Carol Soule was unable to attend. Ms. Downey stated that she works for Bruce and Carol at the farm. She explained that they received a letter from Code Enforcement asking them to meet with the Planning Board about events being held at the farm. Stan Prescott explained that this matter was discussed at a recent Board of Permit meeting and there were concerns that the events might be becoming more than those approved only with a letter of intent. Ms. Downey explained that they have typically done one large event in the fall and have had to shuttle people in from a parking area across Route 106, etc. She said they decided to hold three smaller events in an effort to spread attendance over several months. They are doing more advertising for the May and July events and less advertising for the October event. They are also parking cars on the farm's property, no longer on Route 106 and shuttling. Ms. Downey explained that the vendors shown on the event map are people giving out samples of their own products that can be purchased in the farm's store. Vendors are not selling anything from their booths. There was discussion about the layout of the area, parking, safety, etc. It was agreed that if these events get any bigger they would have to look at other options.

Old Business:

Application #15-04, New England Flower Farms — Major Site Development, Map 50, Lot 6, CI/RR Districts.

Henry Huntington and Bob Cole recused themselves from this case. There were no abutters present. Tim Bernier represented the applicant.

Mr. Bernier distributed revised plans. He said there was one substantive change, which being a CO₂ tank on sheet 5. He said it was realized that this tank will be needed after the initial applications were filed so they will be going to the ZBA for a special exception. Mr. Bernier pointed out several clarification notes. He spoke with DOT about the driveway permit and learned that the last inspection was done today. Traffic

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and sight distance were considered. Mr. Bernier said they received approval for expedited review from DES, which means the wetlands and Alteration of Terrain applications can be taken out of order. The public water supply application has been filed. The shoreland application was approved for expedited review as well. Mr. Bernier said they will go to the ZBA next week to finalize the four variance applications. He said they would like to have this Board consider a conditional approval pending those and the tank application.

Mr. Bernier said the CO₂ tank will be 30' x 7'6", fenced-in next to the loading dock. He said CO₂ is not a fire hazard but is poisonous. It would collect in a low area if a leak occurred. Dustin Bowles asked if the tank is required to be in containment. Mr. Bernier said it is not; the requirements are more to protect it from being hit. He said the tank will be installed per NFPA standards plus the installing company's own stringent regulations. He said they will be submitting the application for the tank for the August ZBA

meeting and will get a full plan to the fire department for review. There was discussion on the tank. Henry Huntington explained that it would probably be used mainly from October to March; they do a lot of venting during warmer months so it would not make sense to pump CO₂ in only to vent it back out. He said they can also extract CO₂ off the exhaust of the boilers when those are running.

Mr. Bernier explained that the public water supply needs to be protected. Sheet 6 shows a 100' well radius. He said they will not be putting anything in that radius even though some uses are permitted; it will be left natural. He said the main concern is controlling the source and delivery system. Mr. Bernier said the conservation easement has been adjusted. The acreage remains the same; they just moved the line to keep the portion of recovered gravel pit in the easement area at a minimum. He said they were also asked to keep the fill extension of the building out of the easement.

Vice Chairman Prescott read a request for a waiver of item #26 (lighting plan) on the checklist. He also read a request for a

waiver of item #28 (utility plan). *Dustin Bowles moved to grant the waivers; seconded by Alice Tuson. All were in favor.* It was stated that signage has not yet been determined.

Dustin Bowles made a motion to approve the application conditional upon all ZBA approvals; seconded by Tom Moore. All were in favor.

Bob Cole and Henry Huntington returned to the table.

Board Discussion:

Master Plan questions — Joanne Cassulo called the office today to let the Board know that they have signed an agreement with Carol Ogilvie to do the Excavation Chapter. She would like to know if the Board wants Carol to attend the August meeting. It was agreed that Carol should come in on August 20th. Joanne also asked if Board members had a chance to look over the Land Use matrix that Mike Tardiff handed out in May. Several members had questions on the matrix; Donna will follow up with Joanne for clarification. Tom Moore will work with Donna on the Utilities Chapter.

Report of the ZBA:

There are four variance applications for New England Flower Farms, a special exception for a shared driveway to cross side setbacks, and a special exception for online auction/vehicle storage on this month's agenda.

Report of the Board of Permit:

Stan Prescott reported that there were three junkyard license renewals on the agenda; Eastman was signed, Green and Lane were not signed due to DES issues, Code Enforcement will follow up. There was a question about a residential property on Route 106 being able to do retail sales as a home occupation.

Adjournment:

Dustin Bowles made a motion to adjourn at 9:45 p.m.; seconded by Alice Tuson. All were in favor.

Submitted by,

*Donna White
Administrative Assistant*

Next Loudon Ledger Deadline: Sept. 18, 2015 For the Oct. 2015 Issue

Zoning Board Meeting Minutes — July 23, 2105

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

ROLL CALL

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

Bill Lake represented the Fire Department.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Regular Hearing — *Ned Lizotte made a motion to accept the minutes of June 25, 2015 as presented; seconded by Earl Tuson. All were in favor.*

Site Walk — *Earl Tuson made a motion to approve the minutes of the June 29, 2015 site walk as written; seconded by George Saunderson. All were in favor.*

DISCUSSIONS

American Legion — Gary Tasker, Vice Commander of Post #88, spoke on behalf of the Legion. He stated that they have purchased the old police station on Village Road with the hope of having the American Legion there. He said it wasn't until after the purchase that it was discovered that the Zoning Ordinance does not permit the use in the Village District. Mr. Tasker said they are looking for some direction from the Board, maybe as a variance or maybe put it

on the ballot for an amendment. He said several people wonder if it was maybe an oversight when the Zoning Ordinance was done as the use is permitted in the RR District. Mr. Tasker said the Legion had planned to see the Planning Board for parking and realized it's not permitted. The process of doing an amendment was discussed. There was also discussion on a variance being the quickest solution but hardship would have to be proven. Mr. Tasker said they will discuss it as a group and decide the best option.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

Application #Z15-08 Variance for coverage area, #Z15-09 Variance for dredging & filling of wetland, #Z15-10 Variance for work in the wetland buffer, and #Z15-11 Variance for steep slope, New England Flower Farms — Map 50, Lot 6, C/I & RR Districts. There were no abutters present. Applicant Henry Huntington was present. Tim Bernier of TF Bernier, Inc. represented the applicant.

The chairman stated that the Board went through the points of the applications at the last meeting and have done a site review. Tim Bernier reported that they have met with the Conservation Commission; they were very positive about the project. He said there will be one addition to the plan as

it was realized that they will need bulk storage for CO₂; they will apply for that special exception for the August meeting.

Z15-08 — *Howard Pearl made a motion to approve the application as presented; seconded by Roy Merrill. Mr. Pearl said the applicant has done a good job laying out an excellent use of this property, including mitigation and conservation measures. Charlie Aznive said he feels it would improve the property. A roll vote was taken: Howard Pearl — yes; Roy Merrill — yes; Dave Powelson — yes; Ned Lizotte — yes; Earl Tuson — yes. Unanimous — PASSED*

Z15-09 — *Howard Pearl made a motion to approve the application; seconded by Earl Tuson. There was no discussion. A roll vote was taken: Howard Pearl — yes; Roy Merrill — yes; Dave Powelson — yes; Ned Lizotte — yes; Earl Tuson — yes. Unanimous — PASSED*

Z15-10 — *Roy Merrill made a motion to approve the application; seconded by Earl Tuson. There was no discussion. A roll vote was taken: Howard Pearl — yes; Roy Merrill — yes; Dave Powelson — yes; Ned Lizotte — yes; Earl Tuson — yes. Unanimous — PASSED*

Z15-11 — *Howard Pearl said he is not sure this application is even necessary but he sees why they are addressing the slope*

area. *Howard Pearl made a motion to approve the application; seconded by Roy Merrill. There was no discussion. A roll vote was taken: Earl Tuson — yes; Ned Lizotte — yes; Dave Powelson — yes; Roy Merrill — yes; Howard Pearl — yes. Unanimous — PASSED*

Application #Z12, TTD, LLC — *Special Exception for Reduction/Crossing of Side Setbacks, Map 25, Lots 5-4 & 5-5, RR District.* Earl Tuson recused himself from this matter. Abutters Alice and Earl Tuson were present. Applicant/owner Ray Dumont presented the application.

Mr. Dumont explained the location of the lots on Route 129, part of a subdivision on Pittsfield Road and Route 129. He said the proposal is to have a shared driveway for the two lots, thus the driveway will be in the side setbacks. He showed a map of the lots, pointing out the proposed location and split of the driveways. He said the State suggested the shared driveway when out looking at his other driveways. The chairman asked Bill Lake if there were any concerns from the fire department. Mr. Lake said they do not normally recommend shared driveways as they add confusion in the event of an emergency if they are not properly numbered/clearly distinguished. He presented

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information on the State's 9-1-1 addressing standards. Mr. Lake said the department cannot really say no if the Zoning Ordinance refers to two houses on a driveway. (208.4 C)

The chairman went through the points of the application with the applicant. Mr. Dumont agreed that he could put signs up to designate the number for each lot. Roy Merrill said a shared driveway certainly eliminates a driveway, but he wants to see it pitched the right way per the Zoning Ordinance since the other driveway along there is not. Mr. Dumont stated that the driveway is done per the State permit. Mr. Merrill said he wants it done per the Town specs.

Point #4: Charlie Aznive said he feels the properties will not have full value because of the shared driveway. Mr. Dumont said he would agree; the deeds would state the portion to have shared maintenance (generally the first 20'). The chairman asked if there were any questions from the Board. Hearing none, he asked if any abutters wished to speak in favor of the application. Hearing none, he asked if any abutters wished to speak against the application. Earl Tuson said he is against the application. He asked if the applicant has applied to the Planning Board for an amended subdivision since he is changing the driveway locations. Mr. Dumont said he has not. Mr. Tuson read from the Land Development Regulations regarding revisions. Mr. Dumont asked if a revision was really necessary for moving a driveway. Mr. Tuson went on to speak about problems with the driveway on Lot 5-3 last spring. He also said that he paced off the location of the proposed shared driveway and feels it is over the property line toward Lot 5-5. Mr. Tuson addressed point 3, saying he is concerned about the steep slope. He said drainage concerns were raised at Planning Board meetings during the subdivision process. Mr. Tuson addressed point 5, saying there are concerns of drainage on a steep hill and possible icing in the road. Mr. Tuson addressed point 6, saying there could be detrimental effect due to more water from this driveway, thus less filtration

before getting to the pond. He referred to the Planning Board handbook (page 314, driveway regulations, RSA 236:13). Mr. Tuson said he would like to get the State's input on the proposed location as he feels it has been shifted more than the State is aware. Charlie Aznive stated that he noticed some runoff in the area this past winter. Roy Merrill asked Mr. Dumont to show the Board the boundary pin. Mr. Dumont said he cannot find it. Mr. Tuson stated that it disappeared when the driveway was put in. Mr. Dumont stated that was not true. Ned Lizotte suggested doing a site walk to look at the pitch and lot line. Mr. Dumont said the house on Lot 5-4 has been sold and he cannot wait a month.

Alice Tuson spoke about the option of revocation of a Planning Board approval. There was discussion of a shared driveway on the Pittsfield Road side of this subdivision. Mr. Dumont said that driveway was part of the original approval. It was noted that the ZBA never addressed that shared driveway. After further discussion of concerns and timeframes, Mr. Dumont said he would like to withdraw the application and he will go to the State for the individual driveway permits he had in the beginning.

Earl Tuson returned to the table.

Application #Z15-13, COPART — Special Exception for Automotive Uses (on-line auction/storage), Map 40, Lot 7, CI District. Abutters Tim & Jennifer Jones were present. Property owner David Moody was present. COPART representative Larry Stripling was present. Web Stout of FWS Land Surveying presented the application. Howard Pearl stated that he would have to leave the meeting shortly; Charlie Aznive was appointed to be a voting member for this application.

Mr. Stripling explained the location and proposed use in review of the discussion at last month's meeting. He said they currently have a lot in Webster which is not workable because of traffic and road limitations. Mr. Stripling explained that they handle cars owned by insurance companies, rental companies, and some dealers. He said they are titled cars when they come in and are legally titled when they go out. The salvage title designates that the car needs to be inspected for road worthiness before it can be regis-

tered since it has been in an accident. He said the company has 160+/- facilities worldwide and they have never had any environmental issues.

Mr. Stout went through the points of the application. He said he feels this best fits under automotive use. He said they will have to go to the State for an Alteration of Terrain permit, and he feels the State will like the proposal as the parcel will be reclaimed. Howard Pearl asked if the storage yard would be impervious. Mr. Stripling explained that it would be stone. He showed the pads that are used if any drips are discovered. He also presented the EPA clean-up program that they use. Roy Merrill asked if the gas tanks are drained. Mr. Stripling said the vehicles do not belong to COPART so nothing is touched. He explained that the vehicles are held in a towing/storage location for five to seven days before they come to COPART. He said if the car had been hit and there were any leaks, the fluids would most likely have drained at those locations. Mr. Stripling said the company has been in business for forty years and they have no monitoring requirements because there have been no environmental issues.

Roy Merrill asked if the property will be subdivided. Mr. Stripling said COPART will buy the entire piece. Mr. Merrill asked if the other businesses that are down there now will go away. Web Stout stated that was correct; only COPART will be on the property. Mr. Stripling said the normal hours of operation are 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. He said there may be times when their crew has to go in on weekends to clear snow, etc but they are not open for business on weekends. Mr. Stripling said when a vehicle first comes in, pictures are taken; the vehicle is placed in the fenced lot and sold through an on-line auction. He said nobody comes to the lot to see or buy the vehicles. Mr. Stripling said approximately 25% of the

vehicles are going overseas. He stated that they use local sub-haulers to bring the vehicles in rather than run their own trucks. He said buyers are responsible for their own transport. Roy Merrill asked how long the vehicles stay after being auctioned. Mr. Stripling said the buyer is charged \$20 per day after seven days; most leave within a matter of days. The vehicles are there a maximum of ninety days; the processing of titles is what determines the timeframe.

The chairman asked if the abutters had any questions. Mr. Jones stated that their questions were answered during the presentation.

Ned Lizotte made a motion to approve the application as submitted; seconded by Charlie Aznive. George Saunderson stated that he and Stan Prescott looked at the Webster location. He said it is a very clean operation. Mr. Saunderson asked if Saturday restrictions should be part of the approval. Earl Tuson stated that it was explained at the last meeting that there could be Saturday activity if winter conditions called for it. *Ned Lizotte amended his motion to include that there will be no customer hours on Saturday and Sunday.* Earl Tuson seconded the amendment. *All were in favor of the amendment. A roll vote was taken on the amended motion: Charlie Aznive — yes; Earl Tuson — yes; Ned Lizotte — yes; Dave Powelson — yes; Roy Merrill — yes. Unanimous — PASSED*

BOARD DISCUSSION**ADJOURNMENT**

Ned Lizotte made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m.; seconded by Earl Tuson. All were in favor.

Submitted by,

*Donna White
Administrative Assistant*

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6	7 LABOR DAY LIBRARY CLOSED	8 9am•Young at Heart @ Com. Bldg. 10:30pm•Story Time @ Library 1–2pm•Yoga @ Library 6pm•Selectmen’s Meeting @ Com. Bldg.	9 2–4pm•Creative Wednesdays @ Library 2pm•Story Time @ Library 6:30pm•Cub Scout Leaders @ Library 7pm•Sit ’n Knit @ Library	10 10–12•“A Matter of Balance” @ Com. Bldg. 10:30pm•Story Time @ Library 11am•Chair Yoga @ Library 3:30–5pm•LEGO Club @ Library 6pm•Yoga @ Library	11	12 9–1•Open House @ Library. Meet the new Library Director, Debbi Gadway-Lambert 4:30–6:30pm•Free dinner @ Family Bible Church
13	14 6pm•Yoga @ Library 7:15pm•MVSD School Board @ Salisbury Elem. School	15 10:30pm•Story Time @ Library 1–2pm•Yoga @ Library 5–9pm•Lions Club Social @ Elementary School 6pm•Selectmen’s Meeting @ Com. Bldg.	16 2–4pm•Creative Wednesdays @ Library 2pm•Story Time @ Library 6pm•Learn to Sew @ Library 7pm•Sit ’n Knit @ Library 7pm•American Legion @ Com. Bldg. 7pm•Two Blocks a Month @ Library	17 10–12•“A Matter of Balance” @ Com. Bldg. 10:30pm•Story Time @ Library 11am•Chair Yoga @ Library 1–2pm•Line Dancing @ Com. Bldg. 3:30–5pm•LEGO Club @ Library 6pm•Yoga @ Library 7pm•Planning Board @ Com. Bldg.	18 DEADLINE FOR OCTOBER LOUDON LEDGER	19 9–1•Open House @ Library. Meet the new Library Director, Debbi Gadway-Lambert 5:30pm• Fellowship Supper @ Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church
20	21 6:00pm•Communications Council Meeting @ Com. Bldg. 6pm•Yoga @ Library	22 9–12•VNA Health Clinic @ VOANNE Richard Brown House 10:30pm•Story Time @ Library 1–2pm•Yoga @ Library 2:30pm•Classic Book Group @ Library 6pm•Selectmen’s Meeting @ Com. Bldg. 7pm•LYAA @ Library	23 AUTUMN BEGINS 2–4pm•Creative Wednesdays @ Library 2pm•Story Time @ Library 6:30pm•Recreation Com. @ Library 7pm•Sit ’n Knit @ Library 7pm•Two Blocks a Month @ Library	24 10–12am•“A Matter of Balance” @ Com. Bldg. 10:30pm•Story Time @ Library 11am•Chair Yoga @ Library 1–2pm•Line Dancing @ Com. Bldg. 3:30–5pm•LEGO Club @ Library 6pm•Yoga @ Library 7pm•Zoning Board @ Com. Bldg. 7pm•Fiction/Non-Fiction Book Group @ Library	25	26 9–1•Book Sale @ Library
27 NASCAR RACE AT NHMS	28 6pm•Yoga @ Library	29 10:30am•Story Time @ Library 1–2pm•Yoga @ Library 6pm•Selectmen’s Meeting @ Com. Bldg.	30 2–4pm•Creative Wednesdays @ Library 2pm•Story Time @ Library 7pm•Sit ’n Knit @ Library	Oct. 1 10–12am•“A Matter of Balance” @ Com. Bldg. 10:30pm•Story Time @ Library 11am•Chair Yoga @ Library 1–2pm•Line Dancing @ Com. Bldg. 3:30–5pm•LEGO Club @ Library 6pm•Yoga @ Library 7–9pm•Ag. Com. Annual Meeting @ Com. Bldg.	Oct. 2	Oct. 3 9–2•Rug Hookers @ Library 9–2•Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church Oktoberfest

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