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Legion Hall Comes Down To Start Its New Life At Sanborn Mills Farm

The Loudon Legion Hall has been dismantled and packed away to be re-erected at a later time on the grounds of Sanborn Mills Farm. The building is taking a little break in its historic life but will be handled with care. It seems odd to drive by and not see the building any more, although part of it was still there when we went to press.

The property will be put to good use as the future site of a new town office.



More photos on page 16.



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 • townofloudon@comcast.net

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 • townclerkloudon@comcast.net

Mon.: 8 a.m.–2 p.m. • Tues.: 3 p.m.–9 p.m. • Wed.–Thur.: 9 a.m.–4 p.m.

Planning/Zoning Board

PO Box 7837 • 798-4540 • loudonplanningoffice@comcast.net

The Planning Board Meets the third Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Building. The Zoning Board meets the fourth Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Building.

Mon. through Thurs.: 8 a.m.–4 p.m. • Tues. 8 a.m.–7 p.m.

Tax Collector

PO Box 7844 • 798-4543 • taxcollectorloudon@comcast.net

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.org

Mon.–Fri.: 8 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

Code Enforcement

PO Box 7059 • 798-5584 • rfiske@loudoncodeenforcement.com

Monday–Thursday: 8 a.m.–4:00 p.m. Closed Fridays.

Fire Department: Emergencies: 911

PO Box 7032 • 798-5612 • chief@loudonfire.com

The Fire Department holds its general meeting on the second Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Safety Building. To obtain a fire permit, please stop by the station weekdays between the hours of 7 a.m. and 6 p.m.

Fire permits for the weekend need to be obtained during these times.

Loudon Elementary School

7039 School Street • 783-4400

The School Board meets the second Monday of the month at 7:15 p.m.

Call the Superintendent's Office for meeting location.

Transfer Station

783-0170 • townofloudon@comcast.net

Tues. & Thurs.: 9 a.m.–5 p.m. (Winter)

Tues.: 9 a.m.–5 p.m. • Thurs.: 11 a.m.–7 p.m. (Summer) • Sat.: 8 a.m.–5 p.m.

Loudon residents can purchase facility stickers at the transfer station for \$4.00. See the attendant.

Highway Department

Road Agent: David Rice • 783-4568 • townofloudon@comcast.net

Mon.–Fri.: 7 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

Maxfield Public Library

Librarian: Nancy Hendy • 798-5153 • maxlib@comcast.net

Mon.: Closed • Tues.: 10 a.m.–9 p.m. • Wed.: 1–9 p.m.

Thurs.: 10 a.m.–9 p.m. • Sat.: 9 a.m.–1 p.m.

The Library Trustees meet at 4 p.m. on the first Monday of the month.

John O. Cate Memorial Van

Call 783-9502 at least a week in advance of your appointment to schedule a ride.

The John O. Cate Van committee meets the last Thursday of the month at 2 p.m. at their facility at the Transfer Station.

Loudon Food Pantry

30 Chichester Road, Unit D, Loudon

Intake Hours: Monday–Thursday by appointment only.

Donations accepted: Monday–Thursday 10 a.m.–5 p.m. Closed Fridays.

For more information, call Sue or Sarah at 724-9731 or email

LoudonFoodPantry@yahoo.com

Loudon Representatives

Merrimack County — District 9

Priscilla P. Lockwood: PO Box 1, Canterbury, NH 03224-0001

Howard M. Moffett: 66 Cogswell Rd., Canterbury, NH 03224-2011

Merrimack County — District 26

Lorrie J. Carey: 151 King St., Boscawen, NH 03303-2107

Senators — District 17

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

Loudon Ledger Submission Policy

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

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

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

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

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

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

Articles should be submitted to the Loudon Communications Council, P.O. Box 7871, Loudon, NH 03307. They may be emailed to debbie@debbiegraphics.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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January 2014 Ad & Copy Deadline: Fri. 12/13 Council Meeting: Tues. 12/17

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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Advertising: Samantha French — 783-4601 / pixiepie05@comcast.net

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Where to Worship in Loudon

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Fellowship time following service is provided. Sunday School for ages 4 years–5th grade during worship service. Nursery also Available.

Sunday Evening: Youth Group — For Grades 6–11: 6–7:45 p.m.

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

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

Ongoing Evening Adult Bible Studies: call for details



Faith Community Bible Church

Evangelical Free Church of America

Jeffrey Owen, Senior Pastor • Joshua Owens, Associate Pastor

334 North Village Road, Loudon, NH 03307 • 783-4045 • www.fcbcnh.org

Office Hours: Mon.–Thurs. 9 a.m.–2 p.m.

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

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

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

Youth Group: Sunday 6:00 p.m.

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

FCBC also has ministries for Men, Women, and Seniors.



Landmark Baptist Church

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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. Linda Overall, Pastor — 603-875-5822

433 Clough Hill Road. Mailing address: P.O. Box 7852, Loudon, NH 03307

Member of the American Baptist Churches of VT/NH (Lakes Area Association)

Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m.



Loudon Congregational Church

Rev. Dick Carter, Interim Minister

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

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

Wednesday Evenings: Bible Study

Loudon Congregational is a member church of the

Conservative Congregational Christian Conference (www.cccusa.org).



New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene

Senior Pastor Rev. Joshua T. Johnson

Youth Pastor Brian Bollinger

33 Staniels Rd, Loudon NH 03307 • Ph: 224-1311 • Office Hours: 9–2, Mon.–Fri.

office.LNBnazarene@gmail.com • www.LNBnazarene.org

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

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

Children's Church (Grades 1–4)

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

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

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

Kids Time (Grades 1–6). 7–8 p.m.

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

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



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

Loudon Church News

Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church

Reminder that our Sunday service is at 9:30 a.m. We would love to have you join us.

Saturday, February 15, 2014 please join us for our monthly potluck supper at 6 p.m. followed by a show by Saving Grace Dance Ensemble at 7 p.m. A freewill love offering will be taken for the group.

Back by POPULAR DEMAND is our Spaghetti & Meatballs Supper! Come join us on Saturday, February 22, 2014 at 5–7 p.m. for our "famous" spaghetti & meatballs supper including all-you-can-eat spaghetti & meatballs, salad, garlic bread, hot/cold drinks, and, of course, desserts, some made by Loudon Old Home Day baking contest winners! Cost is \$7 per person with a max of \$25 per family.

Caregiver's Support Group on 2nd and 4th Mondays at 6 p.m. Please call Rev. Linda Overall at 603-875.5822

Please take note of a change of date for the FREE public presentation from CareNet Pregnancy Center. CareNet pregnancy center of Concord, NH will be presenting on Monday, March 3, 2014 at 7 p.m. Please join us to learn what CareNet does and who they represent. Please spread the word. Refreshments will be served. A freewill love offering will be taken and donated to CareNet Pregnancy Center.

As always for all of our events, please feel free to bring a donation for the Loudon Food Pantry.

Bible study and potluck breakfast is every other Saturday morning. We are studying the Book of Genesis. For more information on times and location of Bible study, please call Rev. Linda Overall at 603-875.5822

Please note our church phone number is 603-708-1185 and email is newchurchloudon@comcast.net. Please visit us on Facebook.

New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene — VBS Preview 2014

Attention Pastors, VBS Directors, Children's Program Directors!

Parable Bible Bookstore and New Beginnings Church invite you to join us as we preview several Vacation Bible School Curricula for the 2014 season. Representatives from two publishers will present the newest VBS themes for their summer program while there will be several other kits available for your perusal.

February 22, 10:30 am to noon at New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene, 33 Staniels Road, Loudon. All are welcome, but please rsvp to vbs.lnbnazarene@gmail.com. Hope to see you there! ■

FREE COMMUNITY DINNER

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2014

Serving dinner at 4:30-6:30 PM

The Family Bible Church

676 Loudon Ridge Road

Loudon, NH 03307

Bring your friends

Bring your family

Bring your appetite

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

IT IS OUR PLEASURE

TO SERVE YOU

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or directions. Leave a message

ATTENTION ADVERTISERS!

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

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
TOWN OF LOUDON

**In accordance with RSA 32:5-1, the Board
of Selectmen of the Town of Loudon will
hold Public Hearings for review of the Proposed
Budget and Warrant Articles
For
Fiscal Year –7/01/2014 to 06/30/2015**

The Hearings will be held

Tuesday, January 21, 2014 at 6:30 pm
and
Wednesday, February 5, 2014 at 6:00 PM

at the
Loudon Community Building
Located behind the Town Offices

**The proposed Budget will be voted on at
the March 2014 Town Meeting**

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

Loudon Recreation Committee News



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

WINTER CARNIVAL

Plans are in the works for the event, looks like we have snow so hopefully it will be a go!! Please see the flyer on page 19 for all the details and be sure to come down for some winter fun with your friends and neighbors!!

ZUMBA

Zumba is in full swing (pun intended)! The third session of Zumba will start on January 27th. The dates for the session are January 27, February 3, 10, 17, March 3, and 10th. If you are interested in joining the next session of Zumba, email Jen at cjmercer@myfairpoint.net or just register at the first or second class. Zumba is officially described as an exhilarating, effective, easy-to-follow, Latin-inspired, calorie-burning dance fitness party! Most of all it is FUN. The six-week session runs on Monday nights from 7:00–8:00 p.m. at the Loudon Elementary School gymnasium. The cost is \$42 for the six-week session. Please make checks payable to Loudon Recreation.

ALWAYS LOOKING FOR MORE HELP WITH RECREATION!!!

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

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

Discover Wild NH in April!

Save the date! Saturday, April 19 is the 25th annual Discover WILD New Hampshire Day, an Earth Day celebration that makes a great Spring outing for the whole family. Admission is free. From 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., the grounds of the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department at 11 Hazen Drive in Concord, NH are transformed into an exciting outdoor festival featuring exhibits from environmental and conservation organizations from throughout the state.

See live animals, big fish, and trained falcons. Try your hand at archery, casting, fly-tying, and B-B gun shooting. There will be plenty of hands-on crafts for the younger kids, too. Explore new trends in recycling, environmental protection, and energy-efficient hybrid vehicles. Everyone is a conservation partner in New Hampshire — come discover how you can get involved! Watch for more details at www.wildnh.com.

Discover WILD New Hampshire Day is co-sponsored by the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department and the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services. ■



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Loudon Police Department News

By Robert N. Fiske, Chief of Police

Mark your calendars!! The annual **D.A.R.E. Pizza Night** will be held on **Wednesday, March 19th** at the Loudon Elementary School! Look for more information in the D.A.R.E. news below.

The 2014 major race schedule is as follows:

07/13/14: Camping World RV Sales 301

09/21/14: Osram Sylvania 300

When you have a moment, check out our website at www.loudonpolice.com. You will find upcoming events posted, as well as pistol permit applications and vacant/vacation house check forms. Any comments or suggestions are welcome!

Remember that Merrimack Valley School District's winter vacation is February 24–28. Be extra cognizant of our children out and about.

We thank the residents for their continued support of the Loudon Police Department. As always, if you have any comments or suggestions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 798-5521 or via e-mail at loudonpd@loudonpolice.com or chief_fiske@loudonpolice.com.

D.A.R.E. News

By Cpl. Jason S. Fiske

We have started another year of the D.A.R.E. curriculum, Keepin' it REAL at the Loudon Elementary School. The students are excited and once again there is great participation from the fifth grade students. I wish to thank the fifth grade teachers Mrs. Painchaud, Ms. LaPlante, and Mrs. Valence for all their help in assisting me this year.

Want an inexpensive family night out? The big fundraiser is almost here! Save the date! The **Annual D.A.R.E. Pizza Night** will be held on **Wednesday, March 19th** at the Loudon Elementary School. Dinner will be served from 5 p.m.–6:30 p.m. The dinner includes a slice of pizza, salad, dessert and a beverage for \$3.00. Additional slices may be purchased for \$1.00 a slice. The famous raffle will begin at 6:30 sharp. Tickets can be purchased for 3/\$1.00 or 20/\$5.00. We will be selling tickets starting at 4:30; however, the doors will not be open to the raffle until 5:00 p.m. You do not need to be present at the raffle.

A.J. Dukette from 93.3 The Wolf will be here for event once again! Don't miss the fun!

This is our major fundraiser for the D.A.R.E. program. We appreciate the outpouring of support from our local businesses and residents. This program continues to be a success with the continued support from the community.

If you are interested in donating an item or have any questions, please contact Chief Fiske, Janice Morin or myself at 798-5521 or you may e-mail us at loudonpd@loudonpolice.com. ■



REMINDER

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AND MONITORS

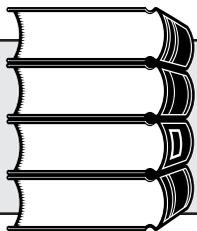
DO NOT GO IN THE TRASH.

There is a small charge of only \$5.00
to dispose of flat screen TV's and monitors correctly.

Check with Steve at the Loudon Transfer Station
for more information
on disposing of electronic devises.

RECYCLING ONLY WORKS WHEN WE ALL DO IT.

Loudon Transfer Station and Recycling Committee



Maxfield Public Library News



The best way to spend a chilly winter day is reading a good book — especially one that talks about green grass and fresh, green leaves!

Story Time

A vast belay, yo ho, heave to, a-pirating we go! Board me ship on the 4th, 5th or 6th of the second month to explore treasures from Carolyn Crimi and Mo Willems: *Henry and the Crazy Chicken Pirates* and *Let's Go for a Drive*. Each buccaneer will depart with a brand new tricorne — or else they'll walk the plank!

On February 11th, story time will discover a beautiful winter story full of stunning photography. *Stranger in the Woods*, written and illustrated by wildlife photographers Carl R. Sams II and Jean Stoick, will prepare the children as they experiment with visual art to create a 3D book depicting winter scenery.

We will celebrate Valentine's Day on February 12th and 13th. Join us as we read *Henry and the Valentine Surprise* by Nancy Carlson and *There Was an Old Lady Who Swallowed a Rose* by Lucille Colandro. Yarn hearts will be the craft to follow. Please stay after craft time for our annual Valentine Party. Bring a treat to share and the library will provide juice.

There are mice in the library the week of February 18th, 19th and 20th! The stories will be Mark Kelly's *Mousetronaut* and *Mouse Paint* by Ellen Stoll Walsh. Roll up your sleeves as we combine colors from the color wheel to see what shade your mice will be.

School Vacation Week

On Tuesday, February 25th, the library will offer a drop-in craft time. Please stop in between 11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. for a parent-led project. Join us to create your own Olympic ski jump!

On Thursday, February 27th, the library will be showing a movie at 2:00 p.m. Free juice and popcorn will be provided. Please call for more information.

LEGO Club Thursdays

Are boxes of no-longer-used LEGO blocks taking up space at your house? The library welcomes donations for its new LEGO Club. Boys and girls are invited to stop by the children's craft room on Thursdays from 3:30 to 5 p.m. to relax and enjoy imaginative building. Their handiwork will be displayed for a week — until the next batch of creations comes along. P.S. The larger type DUPLO blocks for younger children are also needed among the donations.

Creative Wednesdays

Art workshops continue on Wednesday afternoons from 2–4 p.m. Take this time to start a new project or to work on one you've been meaning to finish. Sometimes just being with others can provide that needed boost to completion.

At 7 p.m., the Sit 'n Stitchers meet in the most comfortable part of the Children's Room to work on needlework projects and share ideas and techniques. Choose your own craft from knitting, crochet, embroidery, beadwork, etc.

All are welcome to join in for either session.

Yoga for Flexibility

Fran Nash's schedule of yoga sessions includes four opportunities a week to get in tune with your body and improve your range of motion. Three intermediate sessions are available: Mondays at 6 p.m., Tuesdays at 1 p.m., and Thursdays at 6 p.m. Low-impact chair yoga on Thursdays at 11 a.m. have been especially popular. Offered on a pay-as-you-go basis, the classes cost \$5.00. Stop by the library for a schedule.

Guest Speaker: Yoga for Mental Health

Did you know that yoga can help you manage your mood and alleviate stress and anxiety? On February 27 at 6 p.m., Concord yoga instructor Cindy Falabella will offer a class for people of all ages, physical fitness conditions, and levels of yoga experience. The session will explore the body's natural stress response, the effects of yoga practice, and how to develop your own practice. Please wear comfortable clothes and bring a mat if you have one. This free program will take the place of Fran Nash's usual class.

New Books

Fiction

Bradley, Alan	<i>The Dead in Their Vaulted Arches</i>
Cornwell, Bernard	<i>The Pagan Lord</i>
Doctorow, E. L.	<i>Andrew's Brain</i>
Jiles, Paulette	<i>Lighthouse Island</i>
Kidd, Sue Monk	<i>The Invention of Wings</i>
Oates, Joyce Carol	<i>Carthage</i>
Ponsor, Michael	<i>The Hanging Judge</i>
Rankin, Ian	<i>Saints of the Shadow Bible</i>
Smith, April	<i>A Star for Mrs. Blake</i>
Woods, Stuart	<i>Standup Guy</i>

Nonfiction

Bloom, Paul	<i>Just Babies</i>
Carruthers, Avril	<i>Freedom from Toxic Relationships</i>
Cramer, James J.	<i>Jim Cramer's Get Rich Carefully</i>
Davies, Norman	<i>Vanished Kingdoms</i>
Gardiner, John Elio	<i>Bach</i>
Gates, Robert M.	<i>Duty</i>
Kizzia, Tom	<i>Pilgrim's Wilderness</i>
Susanka, Susan	<i>Not So Big Remodeling</i>
Worthen, Molly	<i>Apostles of Reason</i>

New DVDs

Captain Phillips, Despicable Me 2, Elysium, The Family, Inequality for All, Lee Daniels' The Butler, The Lone Ranger, More Than Honey, Paranoia, Percy Jackson: Sea of Monsters

Book Groups

Fiction/Nonfiction Group

The Universe in a Single Atom by the Dalai Lama is the F/NF Book Group choice for the month. In a calm and reasoned approach, the author looks at science and spirituality and suggests how a dialogue between the two can bring out the best in humanity. The group will meet at 7 p.m. on February 20. Newcomers are welcome.

Classic Book Group

The first writer from the United States to win the Noble Prize for Literature, Sinclair Lewis indefatigably probed the American psyche. His novel *Elmer Gantry*, published in 1927, examines what happens when religion morphs into business. Classic Book Group will meet at 2:30 p.m. on February 25 to discuss this book.

Book Sale

There's no way to tell what great finds might be in this month's book sale. Could there be almost-new books that were given as Christmas presents and then passed along to the library after reading? Children's books that were outgrown and weeded out to make shelf space? Why not stop by to see on February 22, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Hope to see you there!

Library Hours

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

**Next Deadline:
Friday, February 14, 2014
for the
March Issue of the
"Loudon Ledger."**



There's always fun craft time after Story Time at the Library! And there's movies during school vacation!

Free

Maxfield Public Library Passes!

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

CANTERBURY SHAKER VILLAGE

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

CHILDREN'S MUSEUM OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

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

CURRIER MUSEUM OF ART

Each pass entitles the bearer to 2 free admissions.

MCAULIFFE-SHEPARD DISCOVERY CENTER

Valid for admission to exhibit halls for 4 people.

MOUNT KEARSARGE INDIAN MUSEUM

Free admissions for 2 guests per day.

MUSEUM OF NEW HAMPSHIRE HISTORY

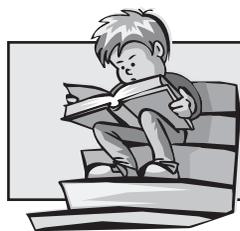
Unlimited free admission to the Society's museum and free use of the Society's library.

SQUAM LAKES NATURAL SCIENCE CENTER

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

WRIGHT MUSEUM

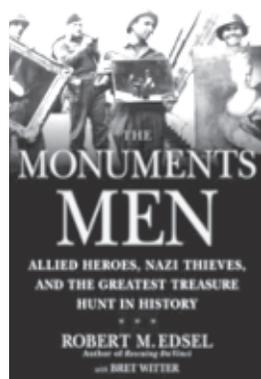
Free admission for 2 adults and 4 children (under 18 years).



Between the Covers

By Kate Dockham

Some people say the book is always better than the movie. I'm going to have to agree, most of the time. I have often thought about skipping a book as to not be disappointed with the movie. I was disappointed with *The Bridges of Madison County*. In my mind deep voiced Sam Elliot should have played leading man Robert Kincaid, and Clint Eastwood should have stayed behind the camera. I was disappointed with Percy Jackson and *The Lightning Thief*. If you have read that book, you'll understand. They changed everything from Percy's age to leaving out important characters. And Tom Hanks, as much as I love him, was too reserved to play Dan Brown's Robert Langdon in *The Da Vinci Code*. Hollywood is at it again! A slew of new movies based on books are out this year. My suggestion is to read the books first and I'll see you at the theater afterwards.



Out on February 7 is *The Monuments Men*, starring George Clooney, Matt Damon, John Goodman, and Bill Murray. With a cast like this, who could not be interested?! The book of the same title, by Robert M. Edsel, is based on the story of museum curators, art historians, and other Allied soldiers risking their lives to save the artwork stolen by the Nazis. As Adolf Hitler is cataloguing the stolen art he plans to keep and the works he claims as degenerate and plans to destroy, this special force of soldiers are behind the lines trying to save thousands of years of culture. The book focuses on six Monuments Men during the period of time from D-Day to V-E Day on this seemingly impossible mission. It is full of thrilling moments and written with a passion that turns even those of us uneducated about art into fans of the main heroes.

I am currently reading Mark Helprin's *Winter's Tale*, which comes to theaters on February 14. I suggest you start reading it now because this 768-page novel is full of beautiful language, intriguing detail, and a fantastic ideal of New York City in the early parts of the Twentieth Century. Peter Lake, a middle-aged Irishman who has worked many legal and illegal jobs in his life, breaks into an Upper West Side home on a winter's evening expecting the home to be empty. He finds Beverly Penn, the owner's daughter, home alone. Beverly, a young woman who knows she is dying, welcomes the intruder and a magical love affair begins. After Beverly's inevitable death, Peter Lake is driven to stop time and bring back the dead. This is a fantasy book, yet the magic Helprin weaves into his tale is seamless and makes it all feel probable. This has the potential for a great movie if the visual comes even close to Helprin's beautiful prose!



Three upcoming movies are based on books discussed in this column earlier. First to hit theaters is *Divergent*, young adult book about a dystopian society. I was enthralled with this book when I read it, but I have heard many parents concerned with the level of violence in the story. Tris Prior lives in a society separated by personality type. Tris realizes she doesn't fit

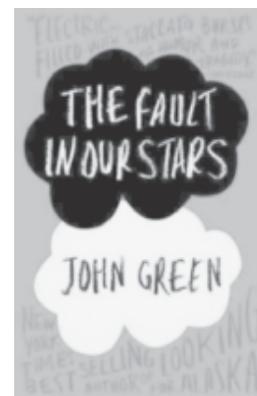
into any of the six societies, making her a divergent and putting her life in danger. At her choosing ceremony Tris keeps her divergence secret and joins the Dauntless faction. In following this brave new path, Tris learns a lot about herself, the factions, and why they all are in danger. I am unsure how I feel about the lead actors in the movie, Shailene Woodley and Theo James, but Kate Winslet plays the villain of the movie and that should be great fun! The producers must feel like they have a winner; book two, *Insurgent*, has already begun production and the finale of the trilogy, *Alligent*, is in talks as I write.

Lois Lowry's *The Giver* is slated to open in August starring Meryl Streep, Jeff Bridges, and Taylor Swift. Written in 1993, *The Giver* was one of the first tween books about a government gone bad. In this book, the main character, Jonas, lives in a perfect world. No war, no fear of pain, and no choices. Everything is controlled and everyone is assigned a role in the community. At 12 years, old Jonas is singled out to receive training from The Giver, the person who holds the memories of the true pain and pleasure of life. As the current giver is in the end of his years, Jonas is chosen to receive these memories and hold them so life can continue on as is. During his training Jonas learns how costly this ordered and pain free society is, and decides he is not willing to pay the price. This was a great stand-alone book in 1993, winning the Newbury Award in 1994, and is even stronger as the first in a series. Lowry has since published companion books *Gathering Blue*, *Messenger*, and *Son*.

The final book I have previously written about to hit theaters is *Unbroken: A World War II Story of Survival, Resilience, and Redemption*. This book has everything to make it an incredible movie. A daredevil, bad boy is changed to the good through service to his country. While his daring ways were a plus during his days as an Army Airman, it is his strength of conviction that gets Louis Zamperini through the end of World War II. In May of 1943, Zamperini's plane goes down over the Pacific, leaving him and his pilot, Russell Phillips, adrift in a raft. Thirsty and hungry, with sharks circling the raft, the men think they are about to be saved when they are actually taken prisoner by the Japanese. The book was written by Laura Hillenbrand, the screenplay by the Coen brothers, and the movie is directed by Angelina Jolie, but we will have to wait until Christmas of 2014 to see the final product.

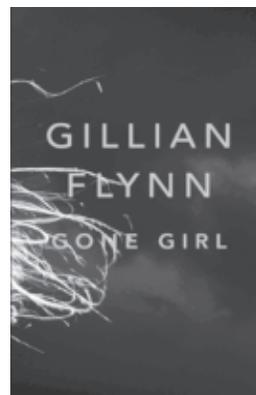
The Maze Runner, due out in theaters next September, is *The Lord of the Flies* on steroids! Every 30 days a teenage boy arrives in the Glade with no memory and no idea of what he is in for. The Glade is a large living space surrounded by tall stone walls which create a maze. Every day runners go out trying to solve the maze before nightfall. At night the walls close and if you're on the outside, your life is in danger. The morning after Thomas arrives, a girl named Theresa arrives and her arrival is as unexpected as the message she has been given to deliver. James Dashner has done a great job at creating new lingo and fantastic creatures for the Glade. Hopefully they will translate well to the big screen.

In a calmer, more emotional story, *The Fault In Our Stars* opens in June. Hazel has stage 4 cancer, is always dragging an oxygen tank behind her and has

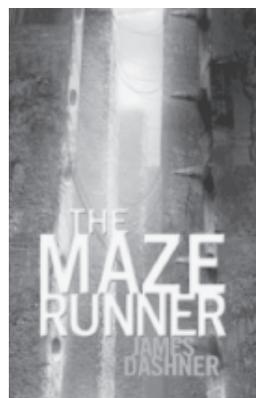


never kissed a boy. Then the beautiful Augustus Waters shows up in her support group and notices Hazel. Even after pushing him away, the two fall in love. By sharing a wicked sense of sarcasm and an obsession with the novel, *An Imperial Affair*, Hazel cannot deny her feelings. And Augustus will move the moon and stars for her. This is an honest, hilarious, and heartrending story. Be sure to have tissues while reading and bring them to the theater, too!

There was a lot of buzz about Gillian Flynn's novel *Gone Girl* when it first came out in 2012. It is a thriller of a story; Nick's wife Amy disappears on their fifth wedding anniversary. With no request for ransom and Nick behaving suspiciously, he becomes the main suspect in her disappearance and possible murder. Flynn does a great job making Nick both sympathetic and despicable at the same time. The twist and turns in the novel makes it a page turner you have to finish quickly. Readers either loved or hated the ending and could be in for a big surprise as Flynn, who wrote the screenplay as well, rewrote the ending for the movie version. Starring Ben Affleck and Rosamund Pike, I'm interested to see how this story unfolds on the big screen.



Of course there are other books headed to the big screen in 2014, books, including Gillian Flynn's *Dark Places*, which I have yet to read. It always intrigues me as to why one book is chosen for movie production and another is not. This intrigue might just lead me to pick up one or more titles to read before hitting the theaters or renting from Netflix. I hope that Hollywood can live up to my expectations. Until next time — keep turning those pages. ■





PUT A FREEZE ON WINTER FIRES

Home fires occur more in winter than in any other season. As you stay cozy and warm this winter season, **be fire smart!**

Half of all home heating fires occur in the months of



Keep portable generators outside, away from windows, and **as far away as possible from your house.**

Install and test carbon monoxide alarms at least **once a month.**



Have a qualified professional clean and inspect your chimney and vents **every year.**

Heating equipment is involved in **1** in every **7** reported **home fires** and **1** in every **6** **home fire deaths.**

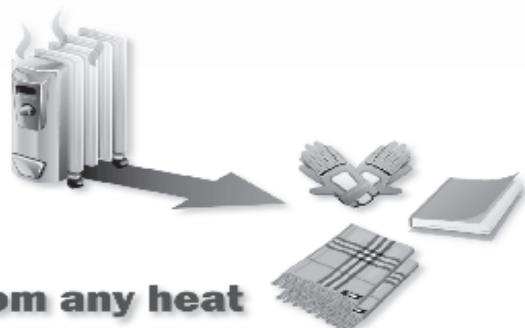


Store cooled ashes in a tightly covered metal container, and keep it outside at least **10 feet** from your home and any nearby buildings.

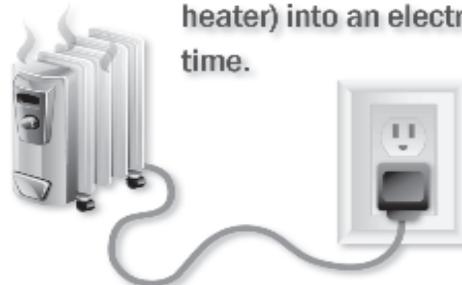


Keep anything that can burn at least

3 feet from any heat source like fireplaces, wood stoves, radiators, or space heaters.



Plug only **1 heat-producing appliance** (such as a space heater) into an electrical outlet at a time.

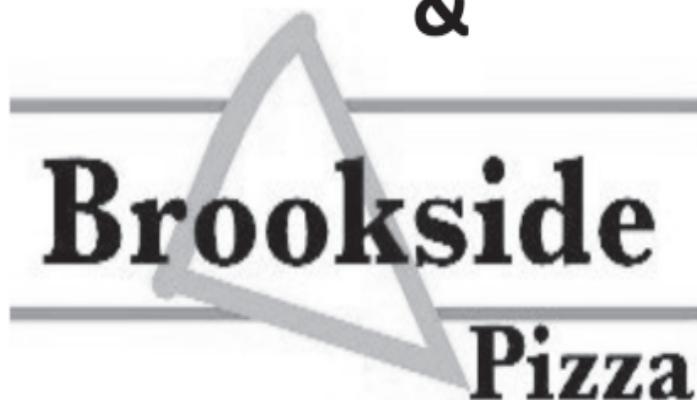


For more information on how to prevent winter fires, visit www.usfa.fema.gov/winter/ and www.nfpa.org/winter/





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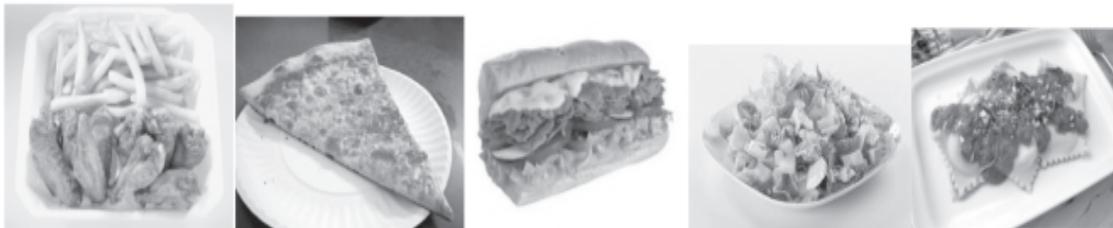
Saturday April 26, 2014

11:00am and 10:00pm

All day long!

Brookside Pizza will donate

50% of your total order to LYAA!!



(Must have flyer or coupon to count for LYAA)

Good for dine in or carry out

not available for delivery

LYAA Baseball Sign-Up Schedule

- Saturday, February 22, 2014 at Brookside Pizza from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- Monday February 24, 2014 at Brookside Pizza from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- Saturday March 8, 2014 at Brookside Pizza from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
- Monday March 10, 2014 at Brookside Pizza from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

T-ball, Coach Pitch, Minors, and Majors

- T-ball — \$30
- Coach Pitch — \$35
- Minors — \$45
- Majors — \$45
- Family Discount (Siblings) — Two or more children: \$5 off each registration ■

Cooperative Extension Seminar Offerings

Dairy Goat Seminar — Milk Sanitation

WHERE: At the NH Farm and Forest Exposition Center of New Hampshire — Radisson Hotel (Webster Room), 700 Elm Street, Manchester, NH

WHEN: Saturday, February 8, 2014, 9:30 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

COST: \$5.00 per family at the door (4-H members are free)

DETAILS: The 31st NH Farm and Forest Expo offers an Industry Trade Show, Educator Workshops, Demonstrations, Food, and Contests which runs Friday, February 7th from 9 a.m.–6 p.m. and Saturday, February 8th from 9 a.m.–4 p.m.

UNH Cooperative Extension and the NH American Dairy Goat Association will be presenting two talks for dairy goat owners on “The Farm Side of Making Quality Milk” and “Safe Milk Handling in the Kitchen.” Registration and payment is taken at the door. Dairy Goat publications will be available at this talk.

For more information about the NH Farm and Forest Expo, visit: www.nhfarmandforestexpo.org

Apple Tree Pruning Event

Hackleboro Orchards, 61 Orchard Road, Canterbury, will be hosting an apple tree pruning demo on Monday, Feb. 17, from 10–1, rain date Sunday, Feb. 23, from 10–1. Harry Weiser has over 30 years of pruning expertise to demonstrate on standard, semi dwarf, and dwarf trees. This event is free of charge and open to anyone. The event is outdoors so proper attire should be worn. Free hot coffee and cider donuts will be available along with some tasty apples. Questions can be directed to hackleboro@hotmail.com, Facebook, and check out hackleboroorchards.com. GPS at 61 Orchard Rd, Canterbury. ■



LYAA Volunteer Signup

Loudon Youth Athletic Association is a community-based non-profit, volunteer organization. In order to have a successful program for the youth in Loudon to play sports we need everyone's help!

Please check off as many areas on the form that you feel you might be able to help with. We reserve the right to run background checks on all volunteers. Training for each volunteer position is available.

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| Coach (team level) | <input type="checkbox"/> | Concessions | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Asst Coach | <input type="checkbox"/> | Field Maintenance | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Team Parent | <input type="checkbox"/> | Team Sponsor | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Fundraising | <input type="checkbox"/> | Other | <input type="checkbox"/> |

MEDICAL RELEASE:

As the parent or legal guardian for the named player on this form, I hereby give my consent for emergency medical care prescribed by a duly licensed Doctor of Medicine or Doctor of Dentistry. This care may be given under whatever conditions are necessary to preserve the life, limb, or well-being of my dependent.

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian _____ Date _____

MEDICAL RELEASE:

As the parent or legal guardian for the named player on this form, I hereby give my permission to Loudon Youth Athletic Association (LYAA) to use any photographs, images and or videos taken of me or my child in any publication, media release, website, advertisement or promotional announcement, electronic or otherwise and agree that no compensation shall be due to me, my child or legal dependent or family. All photographs, images and videos are the property of LYAA

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian _____ Date _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN CONSENT AND WAIVER:

- As the parent or Legal Guardian of the player named on this form I give my permission for my child or legal dependent to participate in any and all LYAA activities.
- I understand that participation in sports (Baseball) may result in serious injuries and protective equipment does not prevent all injuries to players, and do hereby waive, release, absolve, indemnify, and agree to hold harmless LYAA, the organizers, sponsors, supervisors, participants, volunteers, towns played in, property owners, and persons transporting my child or legal dependent to and from activities from any claim arising out of an injury to my child or legal dependent whether the result of negligence or for any other cause.
- I agree to return upon request the uniform and other equipment issued to my child or legal dependent in as good condition as when received except for normal wear and tear

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian _____ Date _____

Thank you to all of our players, parents, coaches, volunteers and sponsors for helping us have a successful and fun season for everyone involved!

Please contact us with any questions, comments or concerns.

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LYAA Baseball Director Buzz Barker
BJJDBARKER@COMCAST.NET

WWW.LYAANH.COM

**LYAA meets the 4th Tuesday of each month
at 7 p.m. at the Maxfield Public Library**

Amount Paid \$ _____ Cash/Check # _____ Siblings: _____ Received By: _____

LYAA Player Signup

- T-Ball \$30 Coach Pitch \$35 Minors \$45 Majors \$45

Family Discount (siblings): Two or more children, \$5 off each registration

Please completely fill out both (2) pages of the registration form. Players information, Parent/Guardian information, Emergency Contact information, Medical information, Media Release, Consent and Waiver must be filled out in order for the registration form to be accepted by LYAA

PLAYER INFORMATION

Player's Name: _____

Address: _____

Birth date: _____ Gender: M or F

Last Team/Coach: _____

Medical Conditions or Restrictions: _____

Other useful information for possible team placement: siblings, transportation etc.:

Shirt size (please circle)

YOUTH S M L XL ADULT S M L XL

PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION AND EMERGENCY CONTACT:

Father

Name: _____

Address: _____

Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Mother

Name: _____

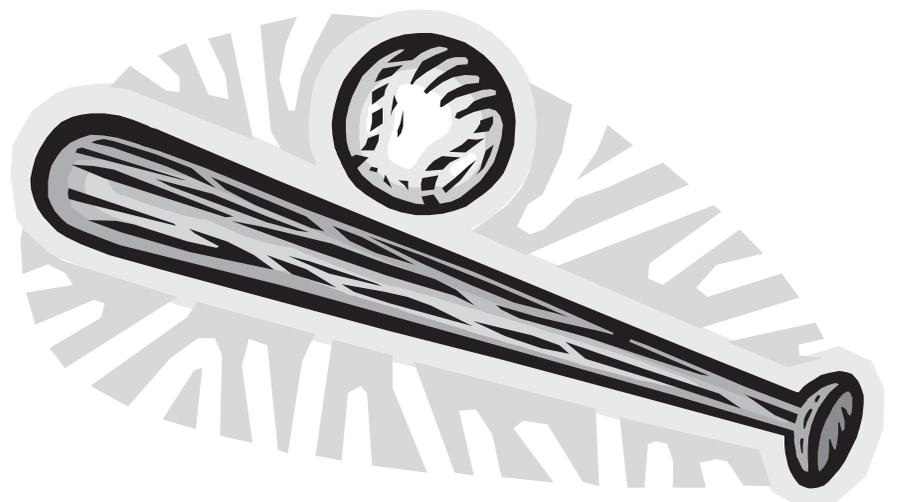
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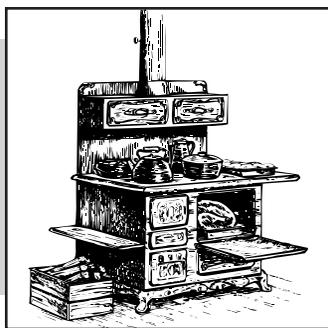
Home Phone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

If address is same as above please just list phone and email information.





What's Cookin'!

This month: Cheese, Glorious Cheese!

Jenn Pfeifer

Cheese, glorious cheese!!! I sure do love cheese and January 20 was National Cheese Lover's Day. January is also the month that Granite State Dairy Promotion (www.nhdairypromo.org) holds their annual Macaroni and Cheese Bake-Off. If you didn't make it to sample all the wonderful cheesy creations this year be sure to mark it on your calendars for next year!

The *Huffington Post* recently published an article that lists what your favorite cheese says about you. "You can tell a lot about a person from their favorite cheese. Oh, and if you're one of those people who hates cheese, or thinks the best cheese is no cheese, just go read something else."

What Your Favorite Cheese Says About You

1. Brie, Camembert, and Other Runny, Creamy Cheeses. You like to take it slow and savor the moment. We only get one shot to live, so why not indulge, right? You also really love crackers.

2. Mozzarella. You are laid back, friendly, and never sweat the small stuff. You like to keep things simple, but somehow throw the best dinner parties. Your friends refer to you as a "class act."

3. Burrata. You are just like a mozzarella-lover, except older, wiser, and more entertaining at parties. We love you.

4. Cheddar. You are reliable and trustworthy. Your friends call you the "mayor" when you go out, because everyone seems to know you. You are probably afraid that you are boring, but you make everyone around you incredibly comfortable and can adapt to just about any situation.

5. Feta. You are an unexpected daredevil. People probably say, "I didn't think you had it in you" to you a lot. But you knew you did. You knew it the whole time.

6. Gorgonzola. Sometimes you think everyone at the party is talking too quietly and you wish they'd speak up to match your volume. You love karaoke, swing dancing and shouting, "WOO HOO" when you're having fun.

7. Gjetost (Norwegian Brown Cheese). You are Norwegian.

8. Goat Cheese. People always tell you that you "march to the beat of your own drummer," but you think you're actually pretty normal. You love long walks on the beach, red wine, and 80s action movies.

9. American Cheese. You are sweet, but you might not have ever left your hometown. You definitely love grilled cheese sandwiches and cartoons. OH, you might be nine — are you nine?

10. Gouda. You understand the value of waiting for something to be perfect before you enjoy it. You also have great freaking taste in cheese.

11. Limburger. You are a contrarian, plain and simple. If someone says "black," you say "white." If someone says "peas," you say "carrots." If someone says "please don't eat that godforsaken smelly cheese," you say "pass me some of that delicious smelly cheese, please."

12. Gruyere. You are a fan of the classics. You prefer the symphony to a rock and roll show, and a glass of Burgundy to a fancy new micro-brew. You also love fondue, which is about as wise a life choice as you can make.

13. Parmesan. You love to remind people that Parmesan is the UNDISPUTED KING OF CHEESE. We know, man.

14. Swiss Cheese. You are a liar, no one's favorite cheese is Swiss cheese.

15. No Cheese. Get the heck out!!!

Now let's get to some yummy cheese recipes.

CLASSIC CHEESE SAUCE

A great cheese sauce can be used for so many things. You can use it to top vegetables, pasta or as a fondue. Any number of spices can be added to change up the flavors or try replacing half of the milk out for your favorite beer or dry white wine.

- 6 tablespoons butter
- 6 tablespoons flour
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon ground black or white pepper
- 3 cups milk
- 2 cup grated sharp Cheddar or a combination of your favorite cheeses

Melt butter; remove from heat. Stir in flour and seasonings. Gradually add milk, stirring until well mixed. Cook over low heat, stirring constantly, until thickened and smooth. Cook for 5 minutes longer; add cheese. Stir until smooth and well blended.

FRIED CHEESE

We have been eating far too much of this delicious treat at my house.

- 4 cups canola oil
- 16 oz. block of mozzarella cheese (cut into 16 sticks)

- 1 egg
- 2 tablespoons of water
- 1 envelope of dry ranch dip mix
- 16 thin slices salami
- 16 egg roll/spring roll wrappers

In a medium saucepan, add oil and heat to 325 degrees F. In a small bowl, whisk eggs and water thoroughly. Empty the package of ranch dip on a small plate. Roll 1 stick of cheese in the dip. Place 1 slice of salami in the center of the egg roll wrapper. Place 1 stick of cheese on top of salami. Brush the edge of the wrapper with egg mixture. Roll wrapper edge closest to you over the filling. Tuck ends and continue to roll until it forms an egg roll shape and repeat with remaining ingredients. *(Cheese rolls can be frozen for future use at this point. I think they fry much better when they are frozen.)

Add 1 to 2 rolled wrappers to oil at a time, cooking 2 to 3 minutes, until golden brown. Be careful not to overcook, or cook on too high of a temperature as wraps may explode. Remove fried cheese to a paper-towel lined plate and serve immediately.

AVOCADO-FETA DIP

Food Network Kitchens

- 1/2 diced red onion
- 1 diced seeded jalapeno
- 4 tablespoons olive oil
- 1 diced avocado
- 1 cup cilantro
- 3/4 cup crumbled feta
- 1/4 cup lemon juice

Cook 1/2 diced red onion and 1 diced seeded jalapeno in 1 tablespoon of olive oil until soft. Puree with 1 diced avocado, 1 cup cilantro, 3/4 cup crumbled feta, 1/4 cup lemon juice, 3 tablespoons olive oil and salt to taste. Serve with toasted bread and vegetable sticks.

BLUE CHEESE DRESSING

Food Network Kitchens

- 1 cup mayonnaise
- 1/2 cup crumbled Maytag or other blue cheese (about 3 ounces), divided
- 1/2 cup half and half
- 2 tablespoons sour cream
- 1 tablespoon freshly squeezed lemon juice
- 1/4 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce
- 1/2 teaspoon kosher salt
- Freshly ground black pepper

In a medium bowl, whisk together the mayonnaise, 1/4 cup blue cheese, half and half, sour cream, lemon juice, Worcestershire, and salt, until smooth. Gently stir in the remaining 1/4 cup blue cheese and season with pepper to taste. Use now or store in the refrigerator for up to 3 days.

BAKED BRIE IN PUFF PASTRY WITH FIG PRESERVES

This is so sweet savory and delicious that it could served before or after dinner.

- 1 17-ounce package frozen puff pastry, thawed
- 1 8-ounce package brie cheese, round
- 1/8 cup toasted walnuts or pecans (optional)
- 1/4 cup fig preserves or 1/4 cup your favorite preserves (apricot and raspberry work well)

Preheat oven to 425. Lightly grease cookie sheet. Roll puff pastry out slightly. Place cheese wheel on top (leave rind on). Place preserves on top of cheese. Place nuts on top of preserves.

Bundle Puff Pastry up and around the cheese. Bake for 20-25 minutes. Let cool for five minutes. Serve with your favorite crackers.

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

Not Your Parents' Retirement

NAPS—Americans nearing retirement age are living healthier, working longer and playing harder than any past generation. Let's face it—this is not your parents' retirement plan. In fact, even how to apply for retirement benefits has changed—and for the better.

Instead of waiting in line to apply in a busy government office, more and more people are applying for retirement benefits from the comfort of their home using Social Security's website, www.socialsecurity.gov.

About half of all retirement applications received by Social Security each month are online. Already, millions of people have taken advantage of this easy, secure and convenient way of applying.

Applying Online for Benefits

Applying online is convenient and will save you time and stress. The application is easy to use and can take as little as 15 minutes to complete. You can save your work at any point in the process and finish at a later time without having to start over.

The application also offers:

- "More Information" links to guide you through the process;
- A printable receipt for record-keeping; and
- A confirmation number to check the application status at any time.

Getting Started

Before applying, anyone thinking about retiring should make an informed decision based on a number of factors, such as current cash needs, health and family longevity, whether to work in retirement and future financial obligations. It's important to know that you can begin Social Security benefits as early as age 62, but the amount is reduced if received before "full retirement age."

Right now, the full retirement age is 66, but it will reach age 67 for those born in 1960 or later.

Social Security offers online tools to help you understand your retirement options. The Retirement Estimator (www.socialsecurity.gov/estimator), for example, gives estimates based on your actual Social Security earnings record and allows you to customize your estimate by changing your "stop-work" age and future earnings.

Another tool to help you plan for retirement is a my Social Security account. If you are not yet receiving benefits, you can create an online my Social Security account to access your Social Security Statement. The Statement includes your lifetime earnings record, as well as estimates of potential retirement, disability and survivors' benefits. You can register for a my Social Security account at www.socialsecurity.gov/myaccount.

It's never too early to start retirement planning. If you are ready to hang up your briefcase or tool set, the journey is now a lot easier. Join the millions of Americans who are applying for retirement benefits the fast, convenient, secure and stress-free way: online. To learn more, go to www.socialsecurity.gov.

Since the online application option was introduced, more than 6 million people have applied online for Social Security retirement benefits. ■



Free Ice Fishing Classes Offered by Fish & Game

The temperatures are dropping, and lakes and ponds are forming some great ice this year. Now that the hustle and bustle of the holiday season is over, why not get outside and enjoy the New Hampshire winter by taking an ice fishing class?

The New Hampshire Fish and Game Department's Let's Go Fishing Program, in partnership with other groups, will offer several ice fishing classes open to the public this winter. Classes are free unless otherwise noted. Be sure to call ahead to reserve your space:

Laconia Recreation Department. One-day workshop on Saturday, February 1, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Call (603) 524-5046 to sign up and to get more information.

Melendy Pond, Route 13, Brookline. Drop in workshops Saturday, February 8 and Sunday, February 9, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Come when you can and stay as long as you like this free clinic does not require reservations. Contact Dale Riley, Tuesday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at (603) 673-2987 or evenings at (603) 673-4036.

Amoskeag Fishways, Manchester. Two-part class on Friday, February 14, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. and Saturday, February 15, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. Contact the Amoskeag Fishways at (603) 626-3474 for more information

Robinson Pond, Robinson Road, Hudson. Drop in workshops Saturday, February 22 and Sunday, February 23, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Come when you can and stay as long as you like, this free clinic does not require reservations. Contact Dale Riley, Tuesday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at (603) 673-2987 or evenings at (603) 673-4036

Haverhill Recreation Department. One-day workshop on Saturday, February 22, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Call (603) 787-6096 for more information.

Grantham Recreation Department. One-day workshop on Saturday, March 1, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. E-mail fun@granthamnh.net or call (603) 443-2894 for more information.

All the ice fishing classes include a hands-on indoor session where students learn about ice fishing equipment, safety and practices, and winter ecology of lakes and ponds; plus a field trip where students head out to a local pond and put their newly learned skills to the test! Classes are open to anyone, however, those 16 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

New Hampshire Fish and Game's "Let's Go Fishing" program has taught thousands of children and adults to be safe, ethical and successful anglers. Find out more at www.fishnh.com/Fishing/lets_go_fishing_class_schedule.htm. The program is federally funded through the Sport Fish Restoration Program.

The New Hampshire Fish and Game Department works to conserve, manage and protect the state's fish and wildlife and their habitats, as well as providing the public with opportunities to use and appreciate these resources. Visit www.fishnh.com. ■

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TIME: Dinner served 5 - 6:30 p.m.

(includes Pizza, salad, dessert & beverage)

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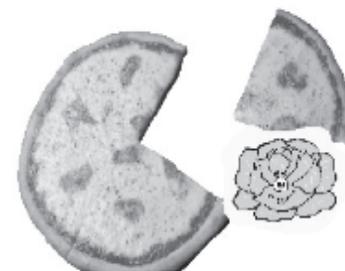
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COST: \$3.00 Dinner Ticket

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7046 Pleasant Street. Hay, Beef. 435-7509

B&B Syrup. Barton & Bowles
227 Flagg Road. 783-4341, 783-9123

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

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

Ledgeview Greenhouses
275 Clough Hill Road. Growers of quality potted plants, annuals, perennials, and poinsettias. 783-4669. www.ledgeview-greenhouses.com

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

Lyon Berry Farm
986 Route 129. Highbush blueberries. 435-7640

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

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

Miles Smith Farm
56 Whitehouse Road. Locally raised hormone and antibiotic free beef, individual cuts and sides. Tue, Th 4-7:30 p.m. W, 9-1 p.m., Sat 9-3 p.m. www.milessmithfarm.com. 783-5159

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

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

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

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

Potpourri Acres
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Ramsay's Farm Stand
783 Loudon Ridge Road. Vegetables and Cut Flowers. Small Fruits in Season. 8 a.m.-7 p.m. Daily. 267-6522

Red Manse Farm
Corner Route 129 & Pittsfield Road. Certified Organic Produce, CSA and Farm Patron Program. Thurs.-Sun. 10 a.m.-6 p.m. www.redmansefarm.com. 435-9943

Sanborn Mills Farm
7097 Sanborn Road. Traditional working farm providing workshops. www.sanbornmills.org. 435-7314

Windswept Maples
845 Loudon Ridge Road. Vegetables, Beef, Maple Syrup, Eggs. M-F 1-6 p.m., Weekends 9-5. 267-8492

Girl Scout News

January has been a busy month for Girl Scouts in Loudon. The girls were hard at work selling cookies and look forward to delivering them in early February. By the time you read this, you may already have received your green, purple, red, or yellow boxes — and possibly even stashed one in that secret spot in the cupboard. The scouts of Loudon thank you for your support, as the money they earn in cookie sales helps to defray troop costs for field trips, supplies, and community events.

Speaking of events, there are several coming up in the greater Concord area:

YMCA Swim & Gym, April 5:

The best exercise is fun — girls will rock-climb, swim, and have a dance party at this private event at the Y in Concord.

NYC Bus Trip, April 12:

Spend the day in NYC exploring all the city has to offer. Shop, sightsee, take in a show — it's up to you!

LEtGO Your Mind, May 7:

This interactive event offers stop animation, music video creation, and a class on creating awesome art projects in Lego!

Camporee, June:

This annual event will be planned by Concord scouts, and will include camp games, team-building exercises, and plenty of outdoor fun! It is held rain or shine, with an option to stay overnight.

If you missed out on pre-ordering cookies, have no fear. Troops will be participating in cookie booth sales in Loudon and Concord from late February to the middle of March. Use the "Cookie Locator" to find booth sales cookielocator.littlebrownie.com and type in either Loudon or Concord zip codes for a list of available

sale locations. Once again, the cookies this year are Thin Mints, Samoas, Do-Si-Dos, Tagalongs, Savannah Smiles, and Trefoils; and all are \$4 per box.

February 22 marks the 88th anniversary of the first Thinking Day. Renamed World Thinking Day in 1999, the event was conceived as a way for Girl Scouts and Girl Guides from around the world to "think" of each other and give thanks and appreciation to their "sister" Girl Scouts. Our local World Thinking Day event was held on February 1, and featured eight troops presenting the scouting organizations and cultural highlights of various countries around the world. Presenting troops taught songs, games, and dances from their countries, and brought samplings of foods for all to share. Check out the next edition of the *Ledger* for pictures and details of our community's World Thinking Day event.

Our troops welcome new scouts and volunteers throughout the year, so visit our website for registration details at www.girlscoutsgwm.org/Girls/become-a-girl-scout.html.

Troop #12641

Kathy Fisher and Jennifer Jones

Our Cadette troop has started off the year with some fun before we get totally busy with the cookie sale. We met to learn techniques for using fondant frosting and boy did the girls have fun. They made the cutest creatures and the best looking cakes! A big shout-out to Miss Jenn who made it all happen. We will be helping to make sure the younger scouts have a great time at our World Thinking Day this year. Cookie Sales are well underway and we thank you for your support. You will find us around town at our booth sales hoping to offer you just a few more boxes to stick in your freezer before they are gone. By the way, frozen Thin Mints are out of this world! Don't forget to help fill our bin of cookies going to military overseas. Any donations given to us go towards this worthy cause. ■

Girls from Troop #12641 learned how to decorate cakes with fondant frosting. They created some beautiful cakes and had lots of fun at the same time.



More Photos of the Legion Hall Demolition and Photos From Its Past



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National Junior Honor Society Induction at MVMS

An induction ceremony for National Junior Honor Society was held on January 23rd at Merrimack Valley Middle School. The evening was opened with a welcome by NJHS President Lauren Rouse, and Vice President Meghan Smith introduced guest speaker and renown author Tomie dePaola. Mr. dePaola shared his recollections of his school years and participation in National Honor Society, encouraged all to spend as much time in volunteer work as possible, and parted the stage with an uplifting message. Current members (Loudon students in bold) Colleen Easler, **Ojashwi Giri**, **Sophie Nolin**, **Lauren Rouse**, and **Meghan Smith** described the guiding principles of Scholarship, Service, Leadership, Character, and Citizenship. New inductees **Gabrielle Cheney**, Kinley Gaudette, Alex Hartofelis, **Morgan Parrish**, **Chloe Rattee**, and Hailley Simpson were led in the NJHS pledge, and each was invited to enter their name in the roll book and receive their membership certificate and pin. Congratulations to everyone, and we're looking forward to your works of service and scholarship this year! ■



Pay Your Property Taxes Online

Loudon Property Owners:

You can access detailed property tax balance and payment information as well as pay your property taxes online — 24 hours a day — by visiting the Tax Collector's kiosk.

For more information go to www.loudonnh.org under the heading of **TAX COLLECTOR**

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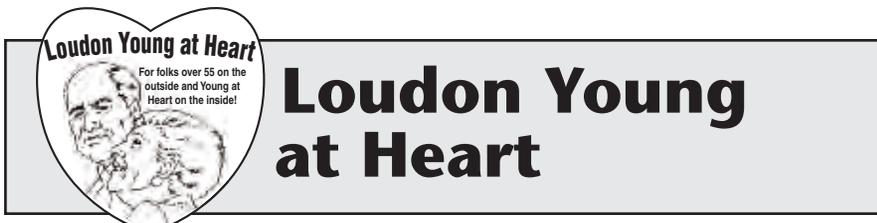
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Loudon Young at Heart

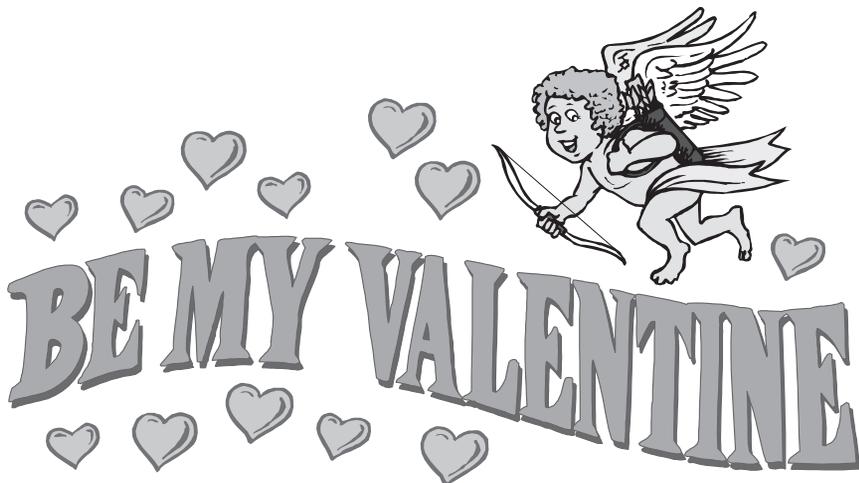
The Loudon Young at Heart met on January 14, 2014 at Charlie's Barn. Chief Rick Wright, Deputy Chief Bill Lake and Lieutenant John Reese from the Loudon Fire Department were guest speakers at the meeting. Chief Rick Wright introduced the speakers. Deputy Chief Bill Lake spoke on kitchen fires and explained the do's and don'ts to prevent them. Lieutenant John Reese spoke on the AEDPLUS Defibrillator. There are currently four defibrillators in the Town of Loudon. They are located at Charlie's Barn, Loudon Elementary School, New Hampshire Motor Speedway, and Pleasant View Gardens. The presentations ended with a question-and-answer period and was informative for all. Thank you to Chief Wright, Deputy Lake, and Lieutenant Reese for their time and the good work they do.

There were ten door prizes given out and the recipients were: Maureen Prescott, Lynn Preve, Walter Lampron, Ron Scoville, Arthur Colby, Sarah Lampron, Phil Mulkhey, Dottie Mulkhey, Connie Ives, and Pauline McCarthy.

The Young at Heart trip on February 11th to the New Shaker Table at Shaker Village is not finalized. However, there will be a trip and anyone wishing to attend who did not sign up at the meeting today must contact Letty Barton no later than February 4th.

The March meeting for the Young at Heart will be at Charlie's Barn and a presentation on NH stone walls will be given by Kevin Fife.

Until then stay warm and remember to check your smoke alarms!!



Loudon Food Pantry News

Loudon Food Pantry Partakes in the Feinsein Challenge to Fight Hunger

See what you can do to help!

Each year, Alan Shawn Feinstein divides \$1 million amongst participating hunger agencies like the Loudon Food Pantry in order to inspire the public to donate during the months where we run dangerously low on funds and some foods.

To be a part of this effort, donate food or funds between March 1st and April 30th and note that it's for the Feinstein Challenge. Without noting your donation, it cannot be included in this challenge.

Year	Funds Collected	Food Collected
2010	\$1,120.00	\$1,331.00
2011	\$2,256.88	\$1,962.70
2012	\$4,488.06	\$1,339.27
2013	\$5,292.37	\$ 863.45

Mr. Feinstein's challenge has helped to bring in donations that we would not normally receive during the slow months of March and April.

In 2013 our goal was exceeded by \$155.82. Please help us surpass this year's goal of \$6,500.

Donations can be dropped off or mailed to: Loudon Food Pantry, 30 Chichester Rd., Unit D, Loudon, NH 03307. (Please make checks out to Loudon Food Pantry) Donations may also be made through our website at LoudonFoodPantry.org. A separate donate button for the Feinstein Challenge will be available from March 1st through April 30th.

We have collection bins at the following locations. Any donations in these bins will be counted towards the Feinstein Challenge. Any food collection bins will be counted towards the Challenge as well.

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

Check out our website at LoudonFoodPantry.org to see our progress for this challenge. It will be updated daily during March and April.

Please help us to top last year's collections for this challenge. Remember, even small donations can add up quickly so please give whatever you can afford.

Gift of Lights Donation

This year we received 9,021.70 pounds of food from Gift of Lights. This food will help us keep our shelves stocked during our slower donation times. We also received a cash sum of \$454.58 this year as well. Thank you for your help!

Volunteers

Many thanks to everyone who came in to volunteer during Gift of Lights and inventory. You made this hectic time much easier. Thanks again!

"The Monthly Veg"

Have you been looking for *The Monthly Veg*? It has been extremely busy (not a bad thing really) and I apologize. Hopefully it will resume soon. If you have any ideas of what you would like to see in our newsletter, email me at Sue@loudon-foodpantry.org. ■

Sue, Sarah, Bill and Mike

Deadline for the March 2014 issue of the "Loudon Ledger" is Friday, Feb. 14, 2014

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Winter Carnival

Sat. February 22, 2014

11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

(Bad weather or no-snow date of March 1st)

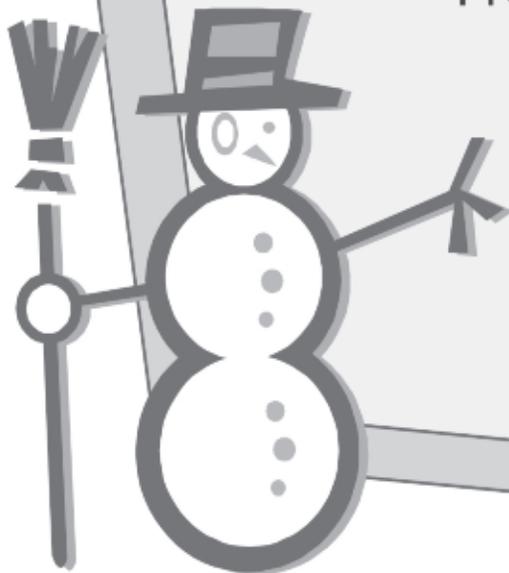
Join your friends and neighbors in Loudon for some winter fun at the Recreation Field in the village. Horse drawn wagon rides with the Belgian draft horses from Stone Boat Farm in Loudon.

Snowman building competition — with prizes for the top three most creative. Ultimate snowball slingshot. Snowshoeing with snowshoes available or bring your own. And — best of all, a bonfire to keep warm!

It will be tons of winter fun for all!

Free hot cocoa & cookies for all to enjoy

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The Loudon Recreation Committee



Merrimack Valley School District News

News from Loudon Elementary School

"The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy." — Martin Luther King, Jr.

Annual School Meeting

The vote on the school district budget and warrant articles takes place on Thursday, March 6. During this Annual Meeting residents will also vote on the school board membership. The MV School Board will present its proposed budget to the residents, and in turn, the community can ask questions, comment, and propose changes.

Harlem Wizards at MV

On February 5, the Harlem Wizards will be at MVHS to play a team comprised of district faculty members. LES will have teacher representation! All proceeds go to a community family whose daughter is suffering from lymphoma. The Wizards interact with the audience in a fun and family friendly environment. During the day, the Wizards are expected to visit LES and perform for our students and promote a positive message. Advanced tickets can be purchased at Alan's Restaurant in Boscawen and at Capital Sporting Goods in Concord. The game begins at 7 p.m. at MVHS.

Grade 5 Poetry and Debates

The fifth-grade students have been busy since returning from break in activities that have required research and presentations. One activity was a series of debates. The students followed ARE: Ascertain, Reason, and Evidence. The students had to form an opinion on a topic, research the topic for supportive evidence, think of how their opponents will counter their beliefs, and give a rebuttal to those counter points.

The students also recently completed a unit on poetry. Before writing their own poems, the students were required to read and analyze various forms and pieces of poetry. To showcase their efforts, the fifth-grade had a poetry café where many parents came to attend. In this setting the students shared and presented their poetry.

Grade 4 Rube Goldberg Projects

Rube Goldberg had many experiences in his life. One was as an inventor. Wikipedia describes him in their bio: He is best known for a series of popular cartoons depicting complex gadgets that perform simple tasks in indirect, convoluted ways.

The students created their own "complex gadgets" with everyday materials. Working through the scientific method, the students solved a multi-step problem. The project also had a written component where the

students explained their experience from predictions to outcomes.

Info...

- If you are interested in being a substitute in the kitchen, please contact Samantha French here at LES.
- Please remember to send your child to school prepared to go out for recess with a hat, mittens/gloves, boots, and snowpants for students in grades K-3. ■

Merrimack Valley High School Theater Department To Present "Ten Little Chipmunks"

Plan now to go see the MVHS Theater Department's production of "Ten Little Chipmunks" on February 12-16. Shows will be presented in the MVHS auditorium at 7 p.m. on Thursday-Saturday and 2 p.m. on Sunday.

The laughs, frights, and fights are thick when billionaire Thaddeus Thornbury realizes the end of his life is near and invites all potential heirs to his secluded mansion on Chipmunk Island. These include his sisters, Isabelle and Rita, along with Rita's two children, Chase and Brooke; his shifty lawyer, Noah; his voluptuous secretary, Holly; his grumpy cook, Mrs. Chips, and her cookie-loving daughter, Coco; and two long-lost country cousins, Katie Sue and Coreen. When all have arrived, Thornbury reads his will: the last surviving member of the weekend party will inherit the entire Thornbury empire. Conveniently, two strangers shipwrecked on the island appear just in time to notarize the will and join the familial festivities. Following a toast, poor Thaddeus promptly dies from rat poisoning.

Amidst thunder and lightning, one by one the potential heirs begin to die and as each victim meets his or her untimely end, a chipmunk from the fireplace mantel disappears. Those remaining suspect one another, chase one another, and amusingly dispose of one another until the family of ghosts return to haunt Thaddeus having faked their murders in a plot against the crusty old coot. But before they can enjoy the fruits of their murders, Thaddeus really does die and it appears they'll have to really start murdering one another. However, the murderous plots are foiled when the mysteriously shipwrecked Nick and Karen reveal they're IRS agents and present the legitimate heir with a hefty bill for back taxes.

Sounds like a fun-filled evening! For more information, please contact the high school at 753-4311. ■

Dean's List

Jonathan Dunbar

Jonathan Dunbar, son of Earl and Marcia-Anne Dunbar, Loudon, has been named to the Dean's List for the Fall semester of the 2013-14 school year at Hope College in Holland, MI. To be named to the Dean's List a student must have a minimum 3.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale.

Hope College is a four-year, co-educational, liberal arts college with an enrollment of 3,388 men and women and is affiliated with the Reformed Church in America. ■

Kimberly Wright

Endicott College is pleased to announce the Dean's List students for fall, 2013. In order to qualify for the Dean's List, a student must obtain a minimum grade point average of 3.5, receive no grade below a "C," and be enrolled in a minimum of 12 credits for the semester.

The following students have met those requirements:

Kimberly Wright is the daughter of Craig Wright of Loudon, NH and Karen Colby of Hillsboro, NH. Kimberly is a Junior majoring in Nursing.

Located in Beverly, Massachusetts on 235 acres of oceanfront property, Endicott College offers doctorate, master's, and bachelor's degree programs in the professional and liberal arts. Founded in 1939, Endicott provides an education built upon a combination of theory and practice, which is tested through internships and work experience. Studying at the Beverly campus, regionally, and internationally are approximately 2,400 undergraduate and more than 2,600 adult and graduate students. For more information, visit www.endicott.edu. ■

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Loudon American Legion Post 88

By Shawn Jones, Post Commander

Greetings Legionnaires,

Our January meeting was held on the 15th with 12 members present. Thank you to all who were able to make it to this meeting. I appreciate the turnout we get each month, although we need to do better to encourage our members to come out. We need to continue to get participation and interest in the post to initiate more community service projects. Both ideas and volunteers are needed as not one person can do it alone.

Post Historian Charlie Bourbeau has resigned from his position within the Post due to private concerns. Charlie's term expires in April. Your Legion family would like to express its gratitude for the years of service Charlie has given to the post. We wish him well during this year. Stay in touch with us, Charlie.

Our Finance Officer Larry Elliot slipped and fell earlier this month and broke a leg. We wish him a speedy recovery and hope to see him in the near future.

Next month is nomination time for post officer positions. The post is only as good as its officers who are elected and the membership support they receive. If you are interested in serving

Chaplain Larry Hemphill presents Lorinda Gilbert, Executive Director of Rise Again Outreach with a check for \$100.00.



in any of the post officer positions please come to the next meeting, call or email me with your interest. You can also contact your Adjutant Joe Piroso. We can fill you in on the responsibilities of each position. The yearly-elected positions consist of: Commander, Senior Vice Commander, Second Vice Commander, Adjutant, Finance Officer, Chaplain, Sergeant-At-Arms, and Historian. There are also some appointed positions available as well. I urge you to get involved and be rewarded by

knowing your volunteerism is appreciated by your fellow veterans.

Your post is currently number one in the district for its current membership level. We are at 98.36% membership. We still have some members who have not renewed for 2014. Please contact me if you have questions about the value of your membership. We are very close to reaching our 100% membership goal. You do not have to attend every meeting to be a member. Come when you can or participate in some of our community outreach projects.

Our Commander's Fund Raffle winners for December are: \$50 — S. Newton, \$25 — S. Jones, \$10 — S. Elliot, \$10 — J. McMaster and \$5 — B. Quigley. Congratulations to our January winners.

We hope to see you at our next meeting on February 19th at 7 p.m.

*Respectively submitted,
Commander Shawn Jones
uscgr1987@tds.net*

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OBITUARIES

STANLEY J. MICHALSKI, III

Stanley J. Michalski III, 65, died Sunday, Dec. 8, 2013, at home in the arms of his beloved wife, D. Mary Lou, and his sister, Stacia, after a seven year battle with leukemia and a stem cell transplant.

Stanley was born in Northampton, MA, the son of the late Stanley and Headwick Michalski.

Stanley served in the Coast Guard from 1967 to 1971. He was employed at the Portsmouth Naval Shipyard for 31 years, retiring due to illness. He also worked as a business manager for UA Local 788 Marine plumbers and pipefitters for 10 years, making numerous great long time friends along the way.

Stanley enjoyed traveling on his job, often bringing family with him to enjoy the adventure.

He was a life member of Elks Rochester 1393 and a member of the American Legion Post 7 for 28 years.

Stanley was a member of St. Valentine's Polish National Catholic Church in Northampton, MA, where he served as an altar boy in his youth. In his spare time, he enjoyed fishing, riding his Harley, gardening, playing his accordion, listening to polka music and dancing the polka with family and friends. He made great sauerkraut every fall, and loved for everyone to try it.

He is survived by his wife, D. Mary Lou Michalski, and her children, Missy Pelletieri and David Miner; his children, James Michalski, Micheal Michalski, Kari (Michalski) Theroux; three granddaughters; a sister, Stacia Parker; brother, John Michalski; nieces and nephews; and his most loyal dog, Mickey Oliver.

He was predeceased by his parents, Stanley and Headwick Michalski; and brother, Robert Michalski.

SUZANNE CARONE

Suzanne Carone, 66, of Loudon passed away Friday at the CRVNA Hospice House in Concord, surrounded by her loving family.

Suzanne was born in Lynn, MA, a daughter of Dennis and Barbara (Pence) Torris. She attended local schools in Lynn and graduated from Lynn English High School.

They moved to Loudon in 2006. She was employed by the Division of Motor Vehicles for several years until her passing.

Suzanne is remembered for being a great cook as well as a loving mother and grandmother. She possessed a tremendous knack for fixing just about anything, which included the plumbing on her son Carmen's camp. She loved NASCAR and enjoyed going to the Sprint Cup race in September every year. She loved visiting Bar Harbor and camping at Lost River.

Suzanne was predeceased by her father, Dennis M. Torris; her husband of 46½ years, Carmen F. Carone, and a brother, Dennis Torris.

She is survived by her mother, Barbara Fielding of Standish, Maine; her son, Carmen Carone and his wife, Karen, of Loudon; her daughter, Susan Carone of Loudon; her two sisters, Patricia Cogswell-Key of Jacksonville, FL, and Kathleen Faucett of Bradenton, FL; three grandchildren, Noelle and Cori Carone, both of Loudon, and Courtney Carone of Concord; and one great-grandson, Hunter Matott of Concord.

PHILIP R. HOMON

Philip R. Homon, 87, died Wednesday, Dec. 25, 2013, at his home in Loudon. Born in Henniker the son of Joseph and Mabel (Davis) Homon he has lived in Loudon for the last 17 years coming from Penacook where he had lived most of his adult life.

Philip served two years with the United States Army before moving to Penacook where he raised his family and was a self-employed arborist. He was also employed by the Penacook Fiber Mill in Penacook and had most recently worked for the *Concord Monitor* as a delivery person, until he retired in 2012.

Philip was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ and Latter Day Saints. He was an avid Genealogist and volunteered for many years at Genealogy Library at The Church of Jesus Christ and Latter Day Saints on Clinton Street in Concord. He also enjoyed deep sea fishing and gardening around his home as well as doing some traveling some of the most recent years.

He is predeceased by his first wife, Cecile (Menard) Homon, in 1986; his second wife of 26 years, Arlene (Morrill) Homon, in 2012; three brothers, Reginald Homon, Duane and Richard Homon; two sisters, Mabel Emerson and Florence Nadeau; two step-children, Kathy Plante and Paul Reynolds.

Philip is survived by his daughter, Patricia Day and her husband, William, of Penacook; a son, Steven Reynolds; step-daughter Arnie Cyr and her husband, Al, of Penacook; a stepson William Hodgeman of Weare; 12 grandchildren, several great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

KENNETH MUZZEY

Kenneth "Kenny" Muzzey, age 59, passed away, Friday, January 17, 2014 at Concord Hospital after a brief illness.

Kenny was born October 21, 1954 in Concord, NH, and is survived by sisters Evelyn Timmins and Carolyn Stinson of Loudon; brothers Harold L. Muzzey Jr. of Strafford and Raymond Muzzey of Loudon; and 2 nieces, 5 nephews, many great nieces, great nephews, and cousins.

Kenny was predeceased by his parents, Harold L. Muzzey, Sr., and Gertrude (Welch) Muzzey both from Loudon, NH.

Kenneth held various logging and sawmill occupations over the years. He enjoyed hunting and was a lifelong resident of Loudon.

Graveside service will be held this Spring. Pastor Harold Muzzey will be officiating. ■



Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association Offers "A Matter of Balance" in Loudon

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association is offering an eight-week falls prevention program "A Matter of Balance" that gives older adults the self-confidence to reduce their fear of falling and improve their activity levels. The program takes place on Wednesdays beginning February 5 from 10 a.m. to noon at Richard Brown House, 142 South Village Road, Loudon, NH.

"A Matter of Balance" is an evidence-based program that uses recommendations from healthcare professionals, experiences of participants, and exercise to help older adults prevent falls and conquer their fear of falling. The program benefits older adults who:

- Are concerned about falls
- Have suffered a fall in the past
- Restrict activities because of concerns about falling
- Are interested in improving flexibility, balance, and strength
- Are 60 or older, active, and able to problem solve

There is no fee to attend this program and space is limited. To register, call (603) 224-4093 or (800) 924-8620, ext. 5815.

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February 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.

Monday February 3 1-3 p.m.
Tuesday February 18 2:30-4:30 p.m.

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

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

Senior Health Clinic

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association is holding a Senior Health Clinics in Loudon on February 25 from 9 a.m. until noon. Rides are available by calling 798-5203. All Senior Health Clinic services are provided for a suggested donation of \$10, however, services are provided regardless of a person's ability to pay. Services offered include foot care, blood pressure screening, B-12 injections, medication education, and nutritional education. Call (603) 224-4093 or (800) 924-8620, ext. 5815 for an appointment.

February Walk-In Blood Pressure Clinic

Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association is holding a free monthly Walk-in Blood Pressure Clinic on Friday, February 7 from 9:30-11 a.m.

Blood Pressure Clinics are at Concord Parks and Recreation (formerly Dame School), 14 Canterbury Rd. in Concord. Blood pressure screenings are a good way for individuals to track their blood pressure for upcoming visits to their physician. For more information, call Concord Regional VNA at (603) 224-4093 or (800) 924-8620, ext. 5815. ■



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BOATING EDUCATION CLASS SCHEDULE

The Department of Safety, Boating Education is offering the boating education course to the public at the following locations. There is a **\$30.00 non-refundable fee per person** for the class and because of the limited seating pre-registration is required. Call (603) 293-2037 or (888) 254-2125 to pre-register (**Monday through Friday 8:15 a.m.–4:15 p.m.**). Seating is still available in the following courses:

ONE FULL-DAY SESSION (Saturday)

02/08/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Windham FD, Windham
02/22/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Windham FD, Windham
02/22/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Concord DOS, Concord
03/08/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Windham FD, Windham
03/15/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Bedford PD, Bedford
03/15/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Concord DOS, Concord
03/22/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Windham FD, Windham
03/29/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Concord DOS, Concord
03/29/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Moultonborough PD, Moultonborough
04/05/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Bedford PD, Bedford
04/05/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Windham FD, Windham
04/12/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Bedford PD, Bedford
04/12/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Concord DOS, Concord
04/12/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Portsmouth UFC, Portsmouth
04/12/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Windham FD, Windham
04/19/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Bedford PD, Bedford
04/19/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Gilford Marine Patrol, Gilford
04/19/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Windham FD, Windham
04/26/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Bedford PD, Bedford
04/26/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Colebrook Library, Colebrook
04/26/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Concord DOS, Concord
04/26/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Moultonborough PD, Moultonborough
04/26/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Windham FD, Windham
04/26/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Portsmouth UFC, Portsmouth
05/03/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Bedford PD, Bedford
05/03/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Concord DOS, Concord
05/03/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Lebanon DHMC, Lebanon
05/03/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Portsmouth UFC, Portsmouth
05/03/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Windham FD, Windham
05/17/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Bedford PD, Bedford
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05/17/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Portsmouth UFC, Portsmouth
05/17/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Windham FD, Windham
05/23/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Holderness SLA, Holderness
05/24/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Colebrook Library, Colebrook
05/31/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Bedford PD, Bedford
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05/31/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Windham FD, Windham
05/31/14	9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.	Winnisquam Marine, Winnisquam

TWO EVENING SESSIONS (WEEKNIGHTS)

03/24/14 & 03/26/14	06:00–9:30 P.M.	Dover HS, Dover
04/07/14 & 04/09/14	06:00–9:30 P.M.	Exeter Library, Exeter
04/14/14 & 04/16/14	06:00–9:30 P.M.	Berlin WMCC, Berlin
04/14/14 & 04/16/14	06:00–9:30 P.M.	Dover HS, Dover
04/28/14 & 04/30/14	06:00–9:30 P.M.	Dover HS, Dover
05/05/14 & 05/07/14	06:00–9:30 P.M.	Bridgewater, Bridgewater
05/05/14 & 05/07/14	06:00–9:30 P.M.	Exeter Library, Exeter
05/12/14 & 05/14/14	06:00–9:30 P.M.	Dover HS, Dover

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Avoid These Common Buyer Mistakes

By Jack Prendiville
Century 21 Thompson Real Estate

Before you buy your home avoid these common mistakes.

- 1. Overlooking the total cost of a home.** In addition to thousands of dollars in closing costs, don't forget to factor in home repairs, updates, and maintenance into your budget. Remember, you may also need to purchase furniture for your new property.
- 2. Don't forget the home inspection.** Home inspections are critical for buyers. Potential buyers may learn of defects or undesirable conditions and may have the right to back out of the purchase or ask the sellers for repairs or a price adjustment.
- 3. Only getting pre-qualified instead of pre-approved.** Getting pre-qualified for a mortgage is only the initial step in securing a mortgage. When buyers are pre-approved they know exactly how much they can afford and sellers know they're serious buyers.
- 4. Not researching the neighborhood.** Buyers should learn as much as they can about the area surrounding their potential home. Among other areas of interest, crime rates, public schools, even traffic patterns are all things you may want to learn about a community before you buy.
- 5. Buy without tomorrow in mind.** Even though the last thing you may want to think about before you buy a home is selling it, consider its resale value. Ask yourself if your potential property is a wise investment that will attract buyers when it is time to sell.
- 6. Buy based on décor.** A home's décor can certainly transform a space, but don't get caught up in the accents. Also, don't let furnishings deter your interest from a great home. Remember once you find the right home you can decorate it any way you want. ■

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Library Trustees Meeting Minutes — December 2, 2013

In Attendance: Trustees Kenneth Krzewick, Molly Ashland and Stephen Del Deo. Alternates Marilyn Sylvester, Herb Huckins, Library Director Nancy Hendy, guest Alice Tuson.

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

The meeting minutes from the November 4, 2013 Library Trustees' Meeting were reviewed. *Molly Ashland motioned to accept the meeting minutes from November 4, 2013. Ken Krzewick seconded. All were in favor. The motion was adopted.*

The trustees then reviewed the minutes from the executive session from the October 10, 2013 meeting. *Ken Krzewick motioned that the minutes are adopted and that they be sealed for five years. Molly Ashland seconded. All were in favor. The motion was adopted.*

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The trustees reviewed the monthly financial statements.

The library director then presented the library director's report as follows:

- Six library employees took CPR training at the fire station on November 20.
- A.W. Therrien has completed work on the roofing and flashing above the bay window.

- A volunteer replaced ceiling tiles in the area by the bay window and under the AC drip pan area in the Director's office.
- On December 8, a potluck supper will follow the decorating of the library by volunteers.
- The next book sale is scheduled for December 21.

The library director informed the trustees that the meeting with the selectmen to discuss the library's proposed budget for FY 2014–2015 is December 13th.

The trustees and the library director discussed some of the major maintenance issues/projects that would need to be addresses in the next few years; including but not limited to replacement of the walkways, maintenance of the furnaces and air conditioning, and interior painting. Since the library addition is now approaching 20 years old additional maintenance is necessary. The trustees will discuss with the selectmen the idea of creating a capital reserve fund for such maintenance.

The next library board of trustees meeting was scheduled for Monday, January 6, 2014.

Ken Krzewick motioned that the meeting is adjourned. Molly Ashland seconded. All were in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 5:48 p.m.

Kenneth Krzewick
Molly Ashland
Stephen Del Deo

MVSD School Board Meeting Minutes — December 9, 2013

Roll Call and Call to Order:

The regular meeting held at Merrimack Valley High School was called to order by Chairman Thomas Godfrey at 7:16 p.m.

Board Members Present:

Caroletta Alicea, Normandie Blake, Lorie Carey, Audrey Carter, Troy Cowan, Mark Hutchins, Thomas Godfrey, Jim Lavery, Seelye Longnecker, Will Renault, Laura Vincent

Administrators Present:

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

Others Present:

Kathleen Ronayne, *Concord Monitor*

Pledge of Allegiance:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Chairman Godfrey.

Minutes of Previous Meetings:

Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Seelye Longnecker, to approve the November 4, 2013 Board Meeting minutes (pages 1–6 in the packet) as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

SAU Report on Business & Finance:

Robin reviewed the overages detailed in the 2013–2014 FINANCIAL REPORT (page 7 in the packet). *Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Mark Hutchins, to approve the 2013–2014 financial report as presented (pages 7–21 in the packet). Motion passed unanimously.*

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Robin Heins reported on the following citizen correspondence (page 22 in the packet) received by the board.

- 11/05/13** *Louise Andrus.* Information on fund balance (11/6/13 response)
- 11/05/13** *Louise Andrus.* Transportation Department information (11/8/13 response)
- 11/05/13** *Louise Andrus.* Information for warrant article for 2014 annual meeting
- 11/14/13** *Ken Ross-Raymond.* Budget information for contracting out transportation
- 11/20/13** *Ken Ross-Raymond.* Enrollment information
- 10/31/13** *Karen Sheldon.* Provided viewpoint on CCSS (response 12/3/13)

Public Participation:

None

Good News:

Administrators reported on good news items and upcoming events in their buildings and throughout the district. A special thanks from Mike Jette to Ray Bailey, Kathy Gilbert, Lauren Mercier, Sandy Constant and Rebecca Kennedy for coordinating the third annual Turkey Challenge. More than seventy turkey dinners were delivered to our students' families.

Committee Reports:**CURRICULUM COMMITTEE:**

Laura Vincent reported on the November 4, 2013 and November 25, 2013 Curriculum Committee meetings (minutes on pages 34–35 in the packet). Laura also reported on tonight's Curriculum Committee meeting (minutes will be in next month's packet). *Motion by Will Renault, second by Lorrie Carey, to approve the proposed SOPPADAMs. Motion passed unanimously.*

The next Curriculum Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 13, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. in the high school library.

FINANCE COMMITTEE:

Troy Cowan reported on the November 17, 2013 and the November 25, 2013 Finance Committee meetings (minutes on pages 36–39 in the packet).

The next Finance Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 16, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the high school library.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE:

Normandie Blake reported on the December 2, 2013 Transportation Committee meeting (minutes on page 40 in the packet).

FACILITIES COMMITTEE:

Jim Lavery reported on tonight's Facilities Committee meeting (minutes will be in next month's packet).

The next Facilities Committee meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 13, 2014 at 6:00 p.m. in the high school library.

Old Business:**MV POLICIES:**

Policy JKAA, Physical Restraint Policy, is included in the packet (pages 41–43) for a third read and board action. *Motion by Seelye Longnecker, second by Will Renault, to approve the policy with the addition of the definition of substantial risk received from the district's attorney. After a brief discussion, the motion passed unanimously.*

Policy CFB, Building Principal(s) Evaluation, is included in the packet (page 44) for a second read and board action. After a brief discussion, the board decided to wait to take action on this policy until a later time.

FULL-DAY KINDERGARTEN :

Chris Barry reviewed the updated Full Day Kindergarten Proposed Study Plan Timeline (page 45 in the packet) and reported on the Full-Day Kindergarten Task Force progress and upcoming events. The board discussed the schedule for public forums throughout the district.

STEERING COMMITTEE:

Chris Barry reported on the December 5, 2013 Steering Committee for Improvement meeting (minutes on page 46 in the packet).

REVIEW MEETING SCHEDULE:

Mike Martin and the board reviewed and updated the schedule of upcoming meetings (page 47 in the packet).

SUPERINTENDENT SEARCH COMMITTEE:

Lorrie Carey reported on the status of the superintendent search and discussed the tentative timeline.

New Business:**2014–2015 SCHOOL CALENDAR:**

Chris Barry and the board reviewed the draft 2014–2015 School Calendar (page 48 in the packet).

OVERNIGHT/OVERSEAS TRIP REQUEST:

Mike Jette reviewed the overnight/overseas field trip requests included in the packet (pages 49–51). *Motion by Caroletta Alicea, second by Mark Hutchins, to approve both requests. Motion passed unanimously.*

Manifests/Journal Entries to Sign:

Motion by Troy Cowan, second by Normandie Blake, to approve the manifests and journal entries. Motion passed unanimously. Manifests and journal entries were circulated for board member signatures.

Board Chairman's Report:

Tom Godfrey led a brief discussion regarding succession planning. Mike Martin then shared his thoughts regarding succession planning. The board decided to refer this to the Long Range Plan & Policy Committees for joint review.

Assistant Superintendent's Report:

Chris Barry updated the board on the culture and climate study at the high school. This month's list of recognition letters is included in the packet (pages 52–53) for board review.

Superintendent's Report:

None

Public Participation:

None

Topics for Next Board Meeting:

None

See Non-Public Session Minutes.

Motion by Mark Hutchins, second by Normandie Blake, to go into non-public session at 9:25 p.m. in accordance with RSA 91-A: 3II (a), (b) and (c). Motion passed unanimously on a Roll Call Vote.

Roll Call:

Caroletta Alicea, Normandie Blake, Lorrie Carey, Audrey Carter, Troy Cowan, Mark Hutchins, Thomas Godfrey, Jim Lavery, Seelye Longnecker, Will Renault, Laura Vincent

Return to Public Session

Motion by Caroletta Alicea, second by Normandie Blake, to go out of non-public session at 10:05 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Roll Call:

Caroletta Alicea, Normandie Blake, Lorrie Carey, Audrey Carter, Troy Cowan, Mark Hutchins, Thomas Godfrey, Jim Lavery, Seelye Longnecker, Will Renault, Laura Vincent

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

Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Caroletta Alicea, to accept the retirement of

Jane Dalphonse, effective June 30, 2014, with regret. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Laura Vincent, second by Mark Hutchins, to accept the retirement of Maureen Gross, effective June 30, 2014, with regret. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Laura Vincent, to accept the retirement of Linda Woodward, effective June 30, 2014. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Caroletta Alicea, second by Normandie Blake, to accept the retirement of Kevin O'Brien, effective August 31, 2015, with regret. Motion passed unanimously.

Negotiations:

Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Caroletta Alicea, to ratify the 2-year agreement with the administrators. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion by Laura Vincent, second by Normandie Blake, to ratify the 3-year agreement with the teachers. Motion passed with one abstention by Tom Godfrey.

Adjournment.

Motion by Normandie Blake, second by Laura Vincent, to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 10:10 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted,
Sally Welch, Clerk*

Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — December 10, 2013

Present: Chairman Krieger, Selectman Ives and Selectman Bowles.

Also present Police Chief Bob Fiske and Fire Chief Rick Wright.

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

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

The Board met with Fire Chief Wright.

Chief Wright explained that the \$3.00 fee for online fire permits does not go to the State of NH as he originally thought; it goes to the website vendor. Chairman Krieger stated that fire permits are free at the Fire Station.

Chief Wright said that Ambulance Two is back in service.

Selectman Ives said that he attended the fire meeting the evening before. He said morale was real good and it was nice to see everyone hanging around after the meeting and talking.

The Board met with Police Chief Fiske.

Chief Fiske said they've responded to a couple of weather-related, minor accidents.

Chairman Krieger asked Chief Fiske if he was aware of the campground being proposed on Route 106, in Canterbury. He was not but is going to look into it.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received copies of the November property transfers.

The Board received a memo from Chief Wright regarding an EMT class refund.

The Board received a memo from Chief Wright regarding the Online Fire Permit fee (discussed earlier in the meeting).

The Board received the Asbestos Abatement report from North Ridge Contracting, Inc. for the Legion building.

The Board received the November 2013 Groundwater Monitoring report from Nobis Engineering.

The Board received a check from TTD, LLC for engineering fees for a subdivision on 129/ Pittsfield Road.

The Board received eight (8) overdue ambulance bills for their review. *Selectman Bowles made a motion to send the following ambulance bills to collection: account #1789 in the amount of \$220.87, account #2137 in the amount of \$200.00, account #2371 in the amount of \$125.88, account #2047 in the amount of \$200.00, account #2188 in the amount of \$143.12, account #3220 in the amount of \$100.00, account #3498 in the amount of \$598.40 and account #3881 in the amount of \$609.90. Seconded by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Motion carried.*

The Board received a letter from NH Division of Forests and Lands regarding a timber cut on Hoit Road Marsh.

The Board received an abutter notification from the Town of Canterbury regarding a proposal for a campground.

The Board received a copy of a CIP application from the Police Department.

The Board received miscellaneous correspondence.

The Board received the following reminders:

Thursday, Dec. 12 at 9:00am is a Capital Improvement meeting.

Friday, Dec. 13 at 8:00am the Board will be holding Budget Review meetings with Chief Fiske and the Library Trustees.

Chairman Krieger recognized Jim Marshall and Chris Carucci from NH DOT.

Mr. Marshall explained that as part of an annual state-wide program that DOT does they will be paving/resurfacing a section of Route 106. He explained this is to maintain

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roadway conditions. Mr. Carucci said this project starts just north of the Route 129 intersection and extends about 4.7 miles to about 100 feet north of Gues Meadow Road. Selectman Bowles asked about the bridge. Mr. Carucci said they will not be paving the bridge. Mr. Carucci said they will grind about two inches deep between the two white lines; the shoulders are in pretty good shape. He explained that when they get to the Shaker Road intersection as it gets wider they will grind and pave the auxiliary lanes and about 450' up Shaker Road. Selectman Bowles asked if the new pavement will be the same level as it is now so roads such as Currier Road and Dump Road that enter onto 106 won't have a bump. Mr. Carucci said it will be the same and there won't be any impact to the side roads. Selectman Ives asked why they were doing this section when the section south of Staniels Road needs to be. It was explained that there is a plan for the intersection of Route 106 and Staniels Road and they will be paving some if not all of that section at that time. Mr. Carucci said this is a 1.3 million paving project and none of the money comes from the town. Mr. Carucci said they will be advertising for bids next month and it should be completed the middle of August. He said they will work around race and motorcycle traffic. Mr. Carucci gave the Board paperwork to review, sign and return. He explained that the paperwork defines who is in charge of the project and the traffic control during construction. Selectman Ives asked if the road would be closed down at anytime during construction. Mr. Carucci said it would not. Selectman Ives asked if business owners along the route will be notified. They said typically the contractor will talk to them. Chairman Krieger thanked them for coming in and keeping up with the roads.

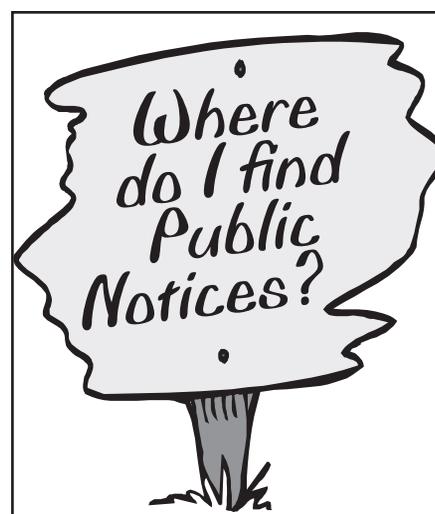
Selectman Bowles asked if those in attendance from DOT have any say in the Staniels Road intersection. He asked why, due to the number of deaths and accidents, the speed limit can't be reduced to 45 now instead of waiting until lights are installed. They said they will look into it.

Chairman Krieger reminds everyone to drive safe in this weather. He also asked everyone to remember the businesses in town; the stores and restaurants for gift cards and Christmas gifts when doing their shopping. Chairman Krieger wished everyone a happy and safe holiday season. Selectman Bowles and Ives agreed.

Selectman Bowles moved to adjourn at 6:47 P.M. Seconded by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Motion carried.

LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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



Notices for all Public Meetings are posted at the following sites:

- Town Office
- Maxfield Public Library
- Beanstalk Store
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Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — December 17, 2013

Present: Chairman Krieger, Selectman Ives and Selectman Bowles.

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

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

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

The Board met with Road Agent Dave Rice.

Mr. Rice explained that his newest employee has given notice so he will be looking for someone else. Selectman Ives asked if the employee gave a notice. Mr. Rice said about two weeks. Mr. Rice said he has an application for them to consider. He has interviewed this person and would like the Selectmen to talk to him. Mr. Rice said he has been at his current job for nine years; the job has been eliminated due to budget cuts. The Selectmen will call references and then meet with the applicant and Mr. Rice. Mr. Rice asked if it would be okay to hire Al Minery to fill in if there is a storm before they get a new hire. The Board agreed he could do that if necessary.

Mr. Rice said the motor repairs to the truck will be about eight thousand dollars. Winnepesaukee Truck will do the repairs. Selectman Ives asked how long the truck will be down. Mr. Rice said he asked for it to be back by Christmas.

Mr. Rice got quotes for resurfacing Country Hill Road, Voted Road and Oak Hill Road. Selectman Bowles said he would like to see Oak Hill Road ground and repaved. Selectman Ives said if we can't get all three done, he would like to see Voted Road done before Country Hill Road. Selectman Bowles said he thinks they can get Voted Road out of the budget. Mr. Rice said that Country Hill is basically a shim and overlay because it is all gravel up there.

The Board met with Fire Chief Rick Wright.

Chief Wright said the cost to add a phone to the fire department account for the road agent will be \$28.84 per month, 400 minutes, and it will be a free flip phone. Chairman Krieger said that sounds good. Mr. Rice said he has the money in his budget for it. Chairman Krieger thanked Chief Wright for taking care of this.

Chief Wright explained that he got an estimate for the dry hydrant project at 92 Loudon Ridge Road. Chief Wright said the estimate is for \$6,800.00 to install plus approximately \$1,000.00 for materials. Chief Wright said he has about \$6,500.00 in the budget line for this; the contractor offered to hold part of the bill until the next budget if necessary. Chief Wright said this

needs to be done. Selectmen Bowles agreed that they have been sitting on this one for awhile. Chief Wright said the new property owner is very receptive to this being done. Selectman Bowles recommends moving forward and getting it done. Chairman Krieger and Selectman Ives agreed.

Chief Wright submitted a vacation request. The Board agreed to his request.

Chief Wright said that four more employees completed the CPR/AED Class.

Chief Wright submitted two draft warrant articles. One is for a new ambulance; the money for this will come out of the capital reserve fund. The second article is to establish a capital reserve fund for the purpose of purchasing Self Contained Breathing Apparatus.

Chief Wright explained that 911 has listed both 7333 Oak Hill Rd and 19 Fieldview Lane as the address for the same property. The Board said that Fieldview Lane is a driveway to the house and the Oak Hill Road address is the one that should be used.

Chairman Krieger recognized Mike Tardiff from Central New Hampshire Regional Planning Commission. Chairman Krieger explained the Board had a visit from Tim Carter several meetings ago. Mr. Tardiff said that he has never met Mr. Carter but he has heard he's going around the state handing out pamphlets. Mr. Tardiff said that Mr. Carter obviously has an issue with regional planning commissions, he said he has looked at some of Mr. Carter's materials. Mr. Tardiff said they are pretty comfortable with their New Hampshire approach, they do a lot of local planning and they also do some regional planning. He said there has been a great opportunity for them to work with other planning commissions to update the regional plan. He said there is a lot of information for towns to use or not. Mr. Tardiff said he understands that Mr. Carter has some concern about the fact that they sought funding from HUD's Office of Sustainable Housing and Communities initiative and what that means. He explained that this money helps support things that they typically wouldn't be able to do. Mr. Tardiff said they are there to provide support to towns with things like Masterplans, subdivision and site plan reviews, the ten-year plan process. Selectman Ives said he understood that Mr. Carter's concern is that we are going to be told how we're going to have our zoning ordinance and what we can do with our property. Selectman Ives said that he believes they do a good job with taking care of the needs of the citizens in our town with low income housing and elderly housing. He wouldn't want regulations that tell them what they need to

do. Mr. Tardiff agreed saying that is not how NH is and not how their organization is, it is not their role. Selectman Bowles said he was lead to believe that all the regional planning commissions formed an association and put one planning commission in charge. Mr. Tardiff said that Nashua is the contractor with HUD, each of the other planning commissions submits their time and bill to Nashua who compiles and submits one invoice to HUD, HUD pays Nashua and Nashua pays each of the other commissions. Mr. Tardiff said there are nine planning commission and they are nine distinct organizations. Chairman Krieger thanked Mr. Tardiff for coming in to speak to them.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received a copy of the Education Tax Warrant for Tax Year 2014.

The Board received a report from Executive Councilor Christopher Pappas. The report goes over projects the district has coming up. Chris Pappas can be reached at 271-3632.

The Board received copies of the revised budget spreadsheet from the library. The Board will ask the Trustees to meet with them to discuss the budget.

The Board received a letter from Loudon residents regarding the proposed campground in Canterbury and minutes from the December 4, 2013 Canterbury Zoning Board Meeting. Chairman Krieger said that the information will be in the office if someone would like to see it. Residents can also contact the Town of Canterbury for more information.

The Board received an abutter notice from the Town of Canterbury for the proposed campground. A hearing will be held January 8, 2014 at 7 p.m. at the Meeting House in the town center.

The Board received a letter from a Loudon resident concerned with noise and light pollution at New Hampshire Motor Speedway and non-reclaimed gravel pits.

The Board received miscellaneous correspondence.

The Board received the following reminder:

Thursday, December 19 at 7:00 pm is the Loudon Planning Board meeting.

Selectman Ives moved to adjourn at 7:08 P.M. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.

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Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — January 7, 2014

Present: Chairman Krieger, Selectman Ives and Selectman Bowles.

Also present was Road Agent Dave Rice, Fire Chief Rick Wright and Library Trustees Molly Ashland, Ken Krzewick, and Steve Del Deo.

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

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

The Board met with Road Agent Dave Rice.

Mr. Rice explained that he has George Cooper with him. Mr. Cooper has applied for the vacant position with the highway department. Mr. Rice feels he will fit in with the crew. He said that he looked into his background as did Selectman Bowles and Steve Bennett. Chairman Krieger asked Mr. Cooper when he will be available to start. Mr. Cooper said tomorrow morning. Chairman Krieger asked if he can run all the equipment. Mr. Cooper said he can, he has run skidders, loaders, and he has plowed snow. Chairman Krieger asked Mr. Cooper what he wants to get from the town. Mr. Cooper explained that he didn't want to leave his previous job with a town but due to budget cuts and him being the last one hired he was the first one to go. He explained that he had been there for nine years. Mr. Cooper said that he also is a Captain in the Chichester Fire Department. Mr. Cooper said that Loudon is close to his home, he is nine years into the state retirement so in one year he will be vested in the system. Chairman Krieger asked if that means he will be leaving in a year; Mr. Cooper said no. Chairman Krieger asked if Mr. Cooper is looking anywhere else. Mr. Cooper said he looked into Bow but felt the commute and the size of the town weren't for him. Mr. Cooper said he knows Loudon roads because he has been running them in ambulances for thirteen years. Selectman Ives asked if he has a problem running a rake or a shovel. Mr. Cooper said no; he would do whatever it takes. Selectman Ives said he spoke to Fire Chief Quimby who said that Mr. Cooper does the mechanical work and some welding for the Fire Department. Mr. Cooper said he does, he also has a

Class A license and a current medical card. Chairman Krieger said that they can't pay him what he was making at his previous job. Mr. Cooper said he realizes that but he was there for nine years. Selectman Bowles explained that they are reviewing the highway department wages and considering COLA's so Mr. Cooper would benefit from whatever they decide in that respect. Selectman Ives explained that as far as benefits go medical/dental insurance is available, NH Retirement, one week vacation after a year, and ten holidays. The Board agreed to hire Mr. Cooper. Chairman Krieger stated Mr. Cooper will start tomorrow morning, January 8, 2014 at 7:00 am at \$15.55 per hour with a six month probation.

Mr. Rice said they got the truck repaired and back; they discovered a few more problems so the bill will be about \$8,000.00.

Selectman Ives asked if they have mixed any sand/salt. Mr. Rice said he had Fillmore haul some over because they haven't had time to do it.

Mr. Rice said they serviced three trucks today.

The Board thanked Mr. Rice and his crew for their hard work during the recent storms.

The Board met with Fire Chief Rick Wright.

Chief Wright explained that he received a response from NHDOT regarding the Red Pine Scale Tree Infestation. The Division of Forests and Lands and DOT District 3 will be meeting to discuss removal of infested trees.

Chief Wright said that the igniter on the furnace at Station Two was not working and was replaced. Chairman Krieger suggested that someone look into putting a light in the window so if it got below a certain temperature the light would come on.

Chief Wright explained they got reimbursed from Concord for the Gator repairs.

Chief Wright said they have the permit from DES for the Dry Hydrant Project at 92 Loudon Ridge Rd. Weather permitting the contractor will begin work next week.

Selectman Ives asked Chief Wright if he is aware of the application for the campground in Canterbury and the Zoning Board meeting tomorrow at 7:00 pm regarding that. Selectman Ives said that there was an article in the newspaper about the last zon-

ing board meeting and when asked about fire and police protection the comment was made that they are part of the mutual aid compact and so they are counting on Loudon and Belmont to cover for them. Selectman Ives said that is not what the mutual aid compact was designed for. Chief Wright said that he did know there was a meeting and he has a call in to the Canterbury Fire Chief to see if he should be there. Chief Wright asked if the Selectmen are planning on being there. Selectman Ives said he is going to try but he might be late. Selectman Bowles said he is going to try to attend, he feels it is important because it is going to weigh heavily on our services.

Chairman Krieger thanked Chief Wright and his department for their work in this weather. Selectman Bowles thanked them for their participation in the holiday food baskets. Selectman Ives thanked the department for the employee breakfast they served and for helping the highway department with shoveling out the community building the other day.

Chairman Krieger recognized the Library Trustees; Molly Ashland, Ken Krzewick and Steve Del Deo.

Mr. Krzewick explained that at the last budget meeting the Board asked for an updated version of the proposed budget.

Selectman Ives stated that he has given this some thought and he can't go along with a third full-time person. He doesn't believe they need a third person, he spoke to someone from a library that is twice the size of Loudon's and they just barely hired a third person. He said the library's budget doesn't reflect the increased cost to health/dental insurance.

The Trustees explained that the person they want to make full-time is already working for them part-time; nearly full-time. Chairman Krieger asked if they subtracted that part-time salary and the part-time salary for the person who recently left from the part-time wage line, replacing two part-timers with one full-timer. The Trustees said they did but explained that they voted to give her a raise from \$11.95 to \$14.00.

Mr. Del Deo explained that in this day and age there are a lot of electronic elements to library science. He said that they feel strongly that a full-time position would provide some incentive for a person to buy into a long term employment, give them the feeling of ownership so they are willing to take courses; that's very difficult to do with part-time help. Mr. Del Deo explained that this is very important to them; they want the blessing of the Selectmen. He said that they all don't agree on how to get there but they do need to get there. Ms. Ashland said they are all in agreement that the position is needed.

Mr. Del Deo said he is willing to compromise on the wage because he understands the obligations to the town's people as far as taxes go. Selectman Bowles said that the \$1,740.00 proposed increase is not the bottom line because taxes, retirement, insurance, etc. have not been figured in yet. Selectmen Bowles said he is struggling with the proposed wage. Chairman Krieger asked where they came up with \$29,120.00 to start someone in this position. Ms. Ashland said they figured full time hours times \$14.00 per hour.

Selectman Ives asked what this person will actually do. Ms. Ashland said it will include what she has been doing for 3½ years part-time; working with the state library, entering everything into the computer, inter-library loan program, circulation,

technology work, she's been going to classes so that when people come in with kindles, ipads, any new technology, she can help set them up, mans the front desk, helps develop programs, is responsible if Nancy or Cheryl is not available. Selectman Ives said that they have explained what this part-time person is already doing but not what a person in a full-time position would be doing. Ms. Ashland said that things she has helped with she would be doing full-time.

Chairman Krieger asked if this person is working more hours than what she is being paid for now. Mr. Del Deo said no, she is paid by the hour but she is close to forty hours now.

Mr. Del Deo said he feels it is important to have an adult at the library all the time.

Chairman Krieger said he isn't against it but what concerns him is what Selectman Bowles said; they're probably adding \$20,000–25,000 to the budget depending on whether she needs a medical/dental plan, retirement fees and COLA's haven't been figured in.

Selectman Ives mentioned that they decreased the lines for periodicals and reference materials; people at town meeting will say that's what a library is for. Mr. Del Deo said there aren't as many periodicals and reference materials are online. Ms. Ashland said that what you see now when you walk into the library is nearly every computer busy, sometimes for a few minutes, sometimes for hours, young people are doing homework, people are searching for jobs and doing resumes.

Selectman Bowles said his struggle is with the salary and with this the library isn't open any more hours. He said he isn't against it but the pieces haven't come together enough to make him stand up at town meeting and defend it. He said the trustees have done a good job trying to get most of the salary out of the part-time line. Chairman Krieger asked if there is any room to cut more out of the part-time line. Ms. Ashland asked if the Selectman would support them if the position was just under full-time at the rate proposed and they pursued health insurance through other means. Chairman Krieger said that she would then be a part-time employee and it would defeat the whole purpose of why they are here. Selectmen Bowles and Ives agreed. Selectman Bowles suggested they look at the part-time line again. He asked if the wage is fixed and promised, can it be less.

Selectman Ives told the Trustees that he still doesn't agree they need a third full-time employee; he won't speak against it at town meeting but if someone asks him he will give his opinion. Mr. Del Deo asked what they can do to appease the other two Selectmen. Chairman Krieger said he is not against it except for the money part. Chairman Krieger said he doesn't see where they can get that number down, but the Trustees need to have all the numbers and be able to defend and explain it at town meeting. Selectman Bowles suggested starting the position out lower and bringing it up. Mr. Del Deo said as an individual trustee he would go along with a lower starting rate. Mr. Krzewick said they have already approved the wage increase, do they go back and say on the other end you will be getting these benefits so we need to decrease the hourly wage. Mr. Del Deo clarified that if they could do something about the wages, the Selectmen would not speak against it and to some degree support it. Chairman Krieger agreed.

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PLEASE NOTE: BOTH PLANNING AND ZONING MINUTES ARE DRAFT MINUTES, I.E., THEY HAVE NOT BEEN APPROVED YET. For a copy of the approved minutes, please contact the Planning/Zoning Office after their monthly meetings (798-4540).

Planning Board meets the third Thursday of the month at 7 p.m.

Zoning Board meets the fourth Thursday of the month at 7 p.m.

Both Boards meet at the Community Building. All meetings are open to the public.

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Selectman Bowles said that he struggles with the fact that by adding the third person they are not adding more open hours. He said the library isn't even open forty hours a week.

The Trustees will take more time to look over their budget and get back to the Board. Selectman Ives asked that the Trustees not take his disagreeing with them on this as a reflection of their work as Trustees. He said he admires the work they have done. The Trustees will meet with the Selectmen again next Tuesday, January 14 at 6:30.

Chairman Krieger recognized Dan Aversa and Web Stout from the audience.

Mr. Aversa explained that he sent a letter to the Selectmen requesting that the Town take over Bert Lane. Mr. Aversa said that 72.2% of the lots/houses are owned by others. Chairman Krieger asked how many houses are on Bert Lane. Mr. Aversa said there are 18 lots, eight houses are built. Chairman Krieger asked how many houses on Bert Lane. Mr. Aversa said on Bert Lane itself there are two. Mr. Aversa said that Bert Lane is part of a bigger subdivision that connects onto Bee Hole and Chichester Roads. Mr. Aversa said that of the 13 lots owned by others, 8 of them being homes, about \$65,000.00 is generated in taxes. Mr. Aversa explained that he had Mr. Stout do an as-built for the Board to look at before they decide. Selectman Ives said they are looking at accepting Bert Lane not Loudon Woods Estates. Mr. Aversa said if they're talking about just Bert Lane there are seven lots total. Mr. Aversa said he doesn't understand why they wouldn't be looking at it all. Chairman Krieger said because he's asking them to accept Bert Lane, the Town already maintains Chichester and Bee Hole Roads so in his opinion that takes the houses on those roads out of the equation. Selectman Bowles said in his opinion if they took this road over at this point they would be crucified, their policy is to see 50-75% build out before they accept a road. He said they have been challenged twice, it stands and at this point he won't support it with just two houses. Mr. Aversa said these people are paying \$20,000 in taxes; they are entitled to have the road plowed. Selectman Bowles said it is Mr. Aversa's responsibility as the builder. He said that there are other roads in town waiting for the same reason. Mr. Aversa said that the

people are paying taxes and deserve to have the road plowed. Selectman Bowles reminded Mr. Aversa that the tax money doesn't just go to the highway department for plowing, it also pays for schools, fire, police etc. Mr. Aversa asked what other subdivisions in town are in this position. The Board said Memory Lane, Creekwater Lane, and the subdivision off Oak Hill that was challenged in court. Mr. Aversa said the big difference is that they have turned a piece of property that was generating taxes on one little A-frame into \$65,000 worth of taxes. Selectman Ives said that six of the homes are on town roads that are already accepted. Mr. Aversa said they have done everything they were asked to do as far as the easements on Chichester and Bee Hole Roads. Mr. Stout asked the Board if they have any questions for him. He asked if the as-built plan needs to go before the Planning Board. The Board agreed that when there are two more houses built on Bert Lane, the plan should go before the Planning Board and the Town Engineer and the Board will consider accepting the road.

Selectman Ives made a motion to accept a proposal from Nobis Engineering for the Groundwater Reporting and Post-Closure Monitoring Programs 2014-2015 Loudon Sanitary Landfill and Septage Lagoons in the amount of \$4,500.00. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.

Selectman Bowles made a motion to accept the Annual Town Report bid for layout, scans, corrections, cover design and printing prep in the amount of \$1,000 by Debbie K Graphics. Seconded by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Motion carried.

Selectman Ives made a motion to accept the bid for printing of 1000 Annual Town Reports for the amount of \$2,099.76 from Evans Printing. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried. Selectman Ives said they have done the report in the past and have done a good job.

Chairman Krieger recognized Bill and Linda Cote from Bumfagon Road. Ms. Cote explained that about a year and a half ago she came in and talked about the track and concerts. She said that Mr. Fiske said they weren't having concerts; but they clearly are having concerts. Ms. Cote said that Mr. Fiske said he would think about it when he gave them the 2013 permit to operate; they still had concerts so she came back again. She said when they have campers come in on race weeks at night they are having full

blown concerts, setting up equipment, inviting all the guests to come participate, they are having fanfest week that they advertise on the radio to get people to go there for their concert, they are calling it a concert. Ms. Cote said she would like Mr. Fiske to not give them a permit to have concerts. She said she was in September of 2011 and is back to bring it up again. Selectman Ives said they have had this discussion with the racetrack when they've come in to talk about upcoming year of events and told them they are they are kind of crossing the line a bit, stand alone concerts are prohibited. Mr. Cote said they advertise on the radio. Selectman Bowles said he understands that having the bands kind of works for crowd control but advertising it and drawing more people in crosses the line. Ms. Cote said she disagrees that acts as crowd control; it brings people together encouraging them to misbehave and drink in excess. She said they have had riots there, then they stopped and it got really quiet and now it's working back to that again. Selectman Ives explained that by crowd control they mean that at the end of the race they have a concert which some people would stay to watch and it would meter the people leaving. Ms. Cote said she is not complaining about that, she agrees with it, to give them something to do and disperse slowly. She said it's when they start at 7:00 and then is full blown from 9:00 until midnight. Ms. Cote said that her house is on Bumfagon, the track is in her front yard. Mr. Cote said the music has been getting progressively louder and lasting longer. Selectman Bowles said there were a couple of times when it was loud and they were shut down. Selectman Ives said they will have this discussion with them again and reiterate the Cote's concerns. Ms. Cote said when they hire a big name country musician to come in and perform, it's a concert whether they are selling tickets or not. Chairman Krieger said they will be meeting with the track and they will look into this.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received copies of the current expenditure report.

The Board received a revised assessment schedule from Merrimack Valley School District. The total assessment for the 2013-2014 fiscal year went from \$7,460,793 to \$7,184,767.

The Board received letters from the Town Attorney regarding *Moser & Jones v. Town of Loudon*.

The Board received the following memo's regarding the following from Chief Wright:

Red Pine Scale Tree Infestation.
Station #2 — Furnace repair.
Gator Vehicle Reimbursement.
Dry Hydrant Permit Application.
Dry Hydrant Project — 92 Loudon Ridge Rd.

The Board received the updated Town Employee Telephone Listing.

The Board received a check from the American Legion for the 2014 Community Building rent.

The Board received a check from the State of NH for Meals & Rooms 2013 in the amount of \$236,739.20.

The Board received a letter from HealthTrust regarding the return of the 2011 and 2012 surplus in the amount of \$1,186.59

The Board received a memo from Brenda regarding the Mosaic Parcel Map Sharing Pool. The Board decided to not participate at this time.

The Board received a letter from Property-Liability Trust regarding the Public Official Schedule Bond.

The Board received a letter from Property-Liability Trust regarding annual reports.

The Board received a letter from HealthTrust regarding annual reports.

The Board received a thank you letter from the Community Action Program for the third quarter 2013 appropriation.

The Board received the MVSD Superintendent Candidate Visitation Schedule.

The Board received a letter from a resident of Currier Road regarding Comcast service. A copy of the letter will go in the Comcast file to be discussed during franchise renewal talks with Comcast.

The Board received ESMI's self report for October 2013.

The Board received an abutter notice from the Town of Loudon Planning Board Office regarding Tax Map 52, Lots 5 & 5-1.

The Board received an abutter notice from the Town of Warner Planning Board regarding cell tower.

The Board received a letter from Southern NH Services Inc. regarding Elderly Housing in Pittsburg, NH.

The Board received two bankruptcy notices.

The Board received a thank you card from Jean Nelson.

The Board received a notice from Comcast regarding a price change.

The Board received miscellaneous correspondence.

The Board received the following reminders:

Wednesday, January 8 at 7:00 p.m. the Canterbury Zoning Board will hold a meeting regarding a proposed campground.

Monday, January 13 at 7:15 p.m. is a MVSD School Board meeting.

Chairman Krieger thanked all of the departments that have been working out in this weather for doing a good job. Selectmen Ives and Bowles agreed.

Selectman Bowles thanked everyone for their patience at the transfer station during the holidays.

Chairman Krieger reminded residents that they can go to the transfer station and get sand if they need it.

Selectman Bowles moved to adjourn at 7:46 P.M. Seconded by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Motion carried.

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Planning Board Meeting Minutes — December 19, 2013

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

Attendance:

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

Julie Robinson represented the Conservation Commission.

Acceptance of Minutes:

November 21, 2013 Regular Meeting — Stan Prescott moved to accept the minutes as written; seconded by George Saunderson. All were in favor.

Old Business:

Application #13-18, 4 McNeil Properties, LLC — Major Subdivision on Lovejoy Road in the RR District, Map 39, Lot 10. Stan Prescott recused himself from this case. Bob Ordway was appointed as a voting member for this case. Abutter Jon LeBrun was present. Web Stout of FWS Land Surveying represented the applicant.

Mr. Stout presented a revised lot configuration plan to Board members. He displayed the initial plan so the two could be compared. He explained that they cannot do much with the area or lines of Lot 10-1. He pointed out that they shifted a line and extended it straight back on Lot 10-2. Lot 10-2 went from 2.5 ac to 2.8 ac; Lot 10-1 went from 2.08 ac to 2.06 ac; and Lot 10 went from 3.3 ac to 3.03 ac. Mr. Stout stated that he has State subdivision approval on the initial plan but has not yet submitted the revised plan as he wanted to get the Board's thoughts first.

Tom Dow said the Board realizes that what is being done to the property is a good thing; it will remain the Lovejoy Farm to some degree. He said making the adjustments and configuring the best they can is what the Board is looking for. Hearing no questions from the public, the chairman closed the hearing to the public and opened it to the Board only. Tom Moore said the applicant has done about as good as they can with what the Board is asking.

Chairman Dow read a request for a waiver of Section 12.4.10 and 12.5.12 (site specific soil survey). *Henry Huntington*

made a motion to approve the waiver; seconded by Bob Cole. All were in favor.

Tom Moore made a motion to grant approval of the application; seconded by Bob Cole. In favor — Bob Ordway, George Saunderson, Henry Huntington, Tom Moore, Tom Dow, Bob Cole; Opposed — Dustin Bowles. Majority in favor — APPROVED. State subdivision approval is needed prior to the signing of the final plans; the two new lots (10-1 and 10-2) will be subject to impact fees. Mr. McNeil was reminded to see the Fire Department prior to working on the duplex conversion.

Stan Prescott returned to the Board.

Board Discussion:

Zoning amendments — George Saunderson addressed a proposed amendment to clarify contiguous buildable area and to require that area to be where a house and accessory buildings would go. Stan Prescott explained that they added "buildable" to the definition of contiguous area and added the last sentence relative to the placement of a house. He used a lot on Greenview Drive as an example, noting that the buildable area was at the back of the lot but you would have to cross a wetland to access the area. He said this seems to be a housekeeping matter. There was brief discussion about the proposed amendment. The Board agreed to hold a public hearing on the amendment at the start of the next scheduled Planning Board meeting. This would be on January 16, 2014 at 7:00 p.m., with the regular meeting to follow. It was noted that the wording, contiguous buildable area, should be made uniform on the Table of Dimensions and any other spot it may appear within the Zoning Ordinance.

Capital Improvement Program — Stan Prescott spoke about the CIP update. He explained that the committee reviewed and ranked new applications, adding them to the improvements schedule. He noted that police cruisers will now be shown on the schedule so that all capital purchases are included. Donna will speak with the assessor about valuations and formulas for calculating tax rate impact and then complete the update for review and public hearing.

Report of the ZBA:

There is no meeting this month.

Report of the Board of Permit:

Stan Prescott reported that there was no meeting this month.

Henry Huntington stepped down from the Board. He informed the Board that the appeal filed on the New England Flower

Farms approval will go forward; the court date is January 2, 2014 at 10 a.m.

Adjournment:

Stan Prescott made a motion to adjourn at 7:35 p.m.; seconded by Tom Moore. All were in favor.

Submitted by,

Donna White, Administrative Assistant

Deadline for the March 2014 issue of the "Loudon Ledger" is Friday, Feb. 14, 2014



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>MEETINGS ARE ALWAYS SUBJECT TO CHANGE. PLEASE CONTACT THE GROUP IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS AND/OR TO CONFIRM MEETING TIMES AND LOCATIONS.</p> <p>IF YOUR INFO IS WRONG, PLEASE CONTACT US!</p>						<p>1 9am•Rug Hookers Guild @ Library</p>
<p>2 GROUNDHOG DAY</p> 	<p>3 5pm•Library Trustees Meeting 6pm•Yoga @ Library 6:30pm•Happy Hill 4H @ Loudon Congregational Church 7pm•Zumba @ LES</p>	<p>4 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 1pm•Yoga @ Library 6pm•Selectmen's Meeting @ Com. Bldg. 7pm•Lions Club @ Library Boy Scouts Troop 30 @ Elementary School</p>	<p>5 10-12•"A Matter of Balance" @ VOANNE 2pm•Storytime @ Library 2-4pm•Creative Wednesday @ Library 7pm•Sit 'n Stitch @ Library 6:30pm•LFD Auxiliary 7pm•Harlem Wizards Game @ MVHS 7pm•Historical Society</p>	<p>6 10-4•Community Action @ Library 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 11am•Chair Yoga @ Library 3:30-5•LEGO Club @ Library 6pm•Yoga @ Library 6:30pm•Freedom Hill Cooperative @ Library 6pm•PTA @ Elementary School</p>		<p>8 4:30-6:30pm•Family Bible Church Free Community Dinner</p>
<p>9</p>	<p>10 6pm•Caregivers Support Group @ Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church 6pm•Yoga @ Library 7pm•Loudon Fire Department 7pm•Zumba @ LES 7:15pm•MVSD School Board @ MVHS</p>	<p>11 10am•Young at Heart @ Com. Bldg. 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 1pm•Yoga @ Library 6pm•Selectmen's Meeting @ Com. Bldg. 6:30pm•Girl Scouts @ Library Boy Scouts Troop 30 @ Elementary School</p>	<p>12 10-12•"A Matter of Balance" @ VOANNE 2pm•Storytime @ Library 2-4pm•Creative Wednesday @ Library 6pm•Conservation Com. @ Com. Bldg. 6:30pm•Cub Scout Den Leaders @ Library 6:30pm•Girl Scout Volunteers @ Elementary School 7pm•Sit 'n Stitch @ Library</p>	<p>13 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 11am•Chair Yoga @ Library 3:30-5•LEGO Club @ Library 6pm•Yoga @ Library 7pm•"Ten Little Chipmunks" @ MVHS Auditorium</p>	<p>14 VALENTINE'S DAY</p> <p>DEADLINE FOR THE MARCH ISSUE OF THE LOUDON LEDGER</p> <p>7pm•"Ten Little Chipmunks" @ MVHS Auditorium</p> 	<p>15 6pm•Potluck Supper @ Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church 7pm•Saving Grace Dance Ensemble @ Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church 7pm•"Ten Little Chipmunks" @ MVHS Auditorium</p>
<p>16 2pm•"Ten Little Chipmunks" @ MVHS Auditorium</p>	<p>17 PRESIDENTS DAY</p> 	<p>18 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 1pm•Yoga @ Library 6pm•Selectmen's Meeting @ Com. Bldg. 6:30pm•Communications Council @ Elementary School 7pm•Lions Club @ Library Boy Scouts Troop 30 @ Elementary School</p>	<p>19 10-12•"A Matter of Balance" @ VOANNE 2pm•Storytime @ Library 2-4pm•Creative Wednesday @ Library 6:30pm•All Cub Scouts @ LES 7pm•Sit 'n Stitch @ Library 7pm•Legion and Auxiliary</p>	<p>20 10-4•Community Action @ Library 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 11am•Chair Yoga @ Library 3:30-5•LEGO Club @ Library 6pm•Yoga @ Library 7pm•Planning Board @ Com. Bldg. 7pm•F/NF Book Group @ Library</p>		<p>22 9-2pm•Library Book Sale 11-2•LYAA Baseball Signups @ Brookside Pizza</p> <p>11-2•RECREATION WINTER CARNIVAL AT THE REC FIELDS IN THE VILLAGE</p> <p>5-7pm•Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church Spaghetti Supper</p>
<p>23</p>	<p>24 6pm•Caregivers Support Group @ Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church 6pm•Yoga @ Library 6-8pm•LYAA Baseball Signups @ Brookside Pizza 7pm•Zumba @ LES</p>	<p>25 9-Noon•VNA Senior Health Clinic @ Richard Brown House 11-3•Drop In Craft Time @ Library 1pm•Yoga @ Library 2:30pm•Classic book Group/Creative Writing @ Com. Bldg. 6:30pm•Girl Scouts @ Library in Children's Craft Room 7pm•LYAA @ Library Boy Scouts Troop 30 @ Elementary School</p>	<p>26 10-12•"A Matter of Balance" @ VOANNE 2-4pm•Creative Wednesday @ Library 6pm•Girl Scouts — Daisies @ Library 6:30pm•Recreation Com. @ Library 7pm•Sit 'n Stitch @ Library</p>	<p>27 11am•Chair Yoga @ Library 2pm•JO Cate Van Committee @ Van Office 2pm•Movie Time @ Library 3:30-5•LEGO Club @ Library 6pm•Cindy Falabella Special Yoga @ Library 7pm•Zoning Board @ Com. Bldg.</p>		<p>1 9am•Rug Hookers Guild @ Library</p>
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