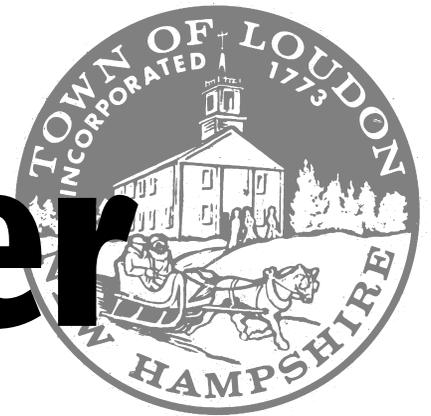


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## Loudon Celebrated the "Holidays Our Way" on August 11

By Debbie Kardaseski

Once again, Loudon lucked out on the weather on Saturday, August 11 for its Old Home Day celebration. The day was clear and HOT, which may have accounted for the smaller-than-usual turn-out. For those of you who stayed away because of the heat, all I can say is this: Wimps!!! There were lots of fun events going on all day long.

As usual, the day began with the American Legion's breakfast. After breakfast, the lucky **Baking Contest** judges went to work. It is a tough job, but someone has to do it — and I'm lucky enough to be one of the judges!

The winners this year were: *Children's Theme Cake* — Ada Campbell with her Memorial Day Celebration cake; *Adult Cake* — Michele Holbrook with an Awesome Carrot Cake (although I have to admit I really enjoyed a Chocolate Cake that had been entered!); *Pies* — Barbara Brogan's Mixed Berry Sour Cream Pie; *Cookies* — Whoopie Pies made by Judy Johnson (we all wished there had been many more of these!); and, *Baked Beans* — Maple Baked Beans by Gary Maxfield. It was a delicious year and, as always, tough decisions had to be made.

The **Antique Car/Truck/Bike Show** was well attended this year. The crowd's favorites were:

**Cars:** *Pre-1950* — 1938 Chevy owned by Elwin Flander. *Pre-1960* — 1956 Studebaker belonging to Phillip



The Girls Scouts' float celebrating the Fourth of July won first place in the Civic and Organizational category.

Mulkhey. *Post-1960* — Pete Johnson's 1969 Ford Mustang. *Custom Hot Rod* — a 1946 Chevy owned by Ernie Smith. *Truck* — Leon Miller with a 1950 Dodge.

**Motorcycles:** *Pre-1970* — John Parment, 1965 Honda Super 90. *Post 1970* — Dave Thistle, 1972 Harley FLH. *Custom* — a custom Harley Chopper belonging to Paul Mitchell.

Winners of the **Grand Parade** were:

**Commercial Small Business:** 1st — Ivory Rose; 2nd — Alicia's School of Dance; 3rd — Souther's Property Maintenance.

**Civic and Organizational:** 1st — Girl Scouts; 2nd — Young at Heart; 3rd — Loudon Churches.

**Individual Supporters:** 1st — Rebecca Bean; 2nd — Grandpa Bean.

**Walkers:** 1st — Bektash Temple; 2nd — Branigan McNeil; 3rd — Amelia Campbell.

**Bike Parade** Winners: Non-bicycle category, Nick Stuart; Preschool-1st grade Best Holiday Theme, Reid Campbell; 2nd Grade and older Best Holiday Theme, Lenna Paquin. 2nd Grade and up Most Patriotic, Addison Broider. 2nd Grade and up Most Original, Maddie and Megan Stuart.

**Horseshoe Tournament** winners: 1st — Dana and Brandon Pearl; 2nd — Steve Buxton and Jeff Storrs; 3rd — Rod Pearl and Matt Smith; 4th — Bob Abbott and Gary Clinton; 5th — Tom Moore and Rick Hutchinson.

### Left Out But Not Forgotten!

Evelyn Smith and Sandra Tirrell's names were accidentally left out of this year's program book. They were part of the Committee and worked in the Committee Booth during the Old Home Day festivities. ■



Antique Car/Truck/Bike Show Post 1960 Winner — a 1969 Ford Mustang owned by Pete Johnson.

## Town of Loudon Office Hours

### Selectmen's Office

PO Box 7837 • 798-4541

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

### Town Clerk

PO Box 7837 • 798-4542

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

### Planning/Zoning Board

PO Box 7837 • 798-4540

The Planning Board Meets the third Thursday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the Community Building. The Zoning Board meets the fourth Thursday of the month at 7:30 p.m. in the Community Building.

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### Tax Collector

PO Box 7844 • 798-4543

Tues.: 3 p.m.–9 p.m. • Wed.–Thurs.: 9 a.m.–4 p.m.

### Police Department: Emergencies: 911

PO Box 7059 • 798-5521

Mon.–Fri.: 8 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

### Code Enforcement

PO Box 7059 • 798-5584

Mon.–Fri.: 8 a.m.–4:00 p.m.

### Fire Department: Emergencies: 911

PO Box 7032 • 798-5612

The Fire Department holds its general meeting on the second Monday of the month at 7:30 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

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 \$1.00. See the attendant.

### Highway Department

Road Agent: David Rice • 783-4568

Mon.–Fri.: 7 a.m.–3:30 p.m.

### Maxfield Public Library

Librarian: Nancy Hendy • 798-5153

Mon.: 1–7 p.m. • 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.

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798-5203 (Mondays only) to schedule a ride.

For more information or on other days, call Barbara Cameron: 783-4534

### Blessed Hope Food Pantry of Loudon

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For more information, call Rev. Henry or Betty Frost: 783-4540

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Frank A. Tupper: PO Box 92, Canterbury, NH 03224-0092

Deborah H. Wheeler

### Senators — District 07

Harold W. Janeway

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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 Sevareid: “You should elucidate but not advocate.”

Articles should be submitted to the Loudon Communications Council, P.O. Box 7871, Loudon, NH 03307. They may be emailed to [debbie@debbiekgraphics.com](mailto:debbie@debbiekgraphics.com). From there, they will be forwarded to the Council for review before they are inserted in the *Loudon Ledger*. If you have any questions regarding this policy, please contact Raymond Cummings, chairperson of the Council, 798-3128. ■

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**July 2007 Ad & Copy Deadline:** Fri. 6/15 **Council Meeting:** Mon. 6/18

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

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

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

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

*Ongoing Evening Adult Bible Studies:* call for details

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www.fcbe-loudon.org

#### Summer Worship Hours:

*Sunday Worship Service:* 8:00 a.m. and 9:45 a.m. (Nursery Provided)

*Wednesday Evening Bible Study/Prayer Meeting:* 7:00 p.m.

*Thursday Morning Adult Bible Study:* 9:30 a.m.

FCBC has Men, Women, and Youth Ministries/Events throughout the year. Please call for more details.

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*Sunday School:* 9:30 a.m. (Nursery Provided) (**New Beginnings Class:**

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

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

*Sunday Evening:* 6 p.m.

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

*Saturday Street Witnessing:* 9:30 a.m.

*Saturday Youth Group:* 7–9 p.m. (Grades 7–12)

We never cancel services for any reason!

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### Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church

*Rev. Henry Frost*

Clough Hill Road

Mailing address: P.O. Box 7852, Loudon, NH 03307 • 783-4540

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

*Sunday Worship:* 10:00 a.m.

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### Loudon Congregational Church

*Rev. David D. Randlett, III*

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

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

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

*Sunday Evening Celebration Supper and Worship:*

Monthly at 5:30 p.m. Please call for details.

Wednesday, 7–9 p.m.: **Family Night.** Small groups for men, women, teens, and kids.

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### New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene

*Rev. W. John White, Senior Pastor*

33 Staniels Rd, Loudon NH 03307 • Ph: 224-1311 • Office Hours: 9–2, Mon., Wed., Fri., 9–4, Tue., Thu.

phyllish@LNBnazarene.org • www.LNBnazarene.org

**Sundays:** *Sunday School & Adult Bible Studies:* 9:30 a.m.

*Worship:* 10:30 a.m. (Childcare provided for Infants and Toddlers).

Kinder-Church (Preschoolers and Kindergarteners). Children's Church (Grades 1–6)

**Tuesdays:** *Early Youth Group (Grades 5–6):* 6:30–8:00 p.m.

Brian & Jill Bollinger: 267-1744

**Wednesdays:** *Youth Group w/Youth Pastor:* 6:30 p.m. [Doug Milne (224-1311 x12)]

*Adult Bible Studies:* 7:00 p.m.

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

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

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### SonLight Christian Fellowship

*Pastor Thomas Friedrich*

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

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

*Sunday Worship:* 10:30 a.m.

*First Sunday of Every Month:* Discovery Series Bible Lessons

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To have your Church's information added to this column, please email your information to [debbie@debbiegraphics.com](mailto:debbie@debbiegraphics.com)

## Visit the New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene

If you do not already attend a church, September is a perfect time to think about visiting a few churches. After all, we humans are spiritual creatures as well as physical creatures. We feed our bodies food and water, we try to get enough rest and we definitely enjoy our relaxation and recreation. Why not take a little time out to take care of your spiritual selves as well.

New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene on Staniels Road would like to invite you to come check us out. We offer Sunday School and Adult Bible Studies on Sunday mornings 9:15–10:15 a.m. Our weekly worship service starts at 10:30 a.m. with contemporary music mixed with a few inspiring hymns and Children's Church for ages six weeks old through sixth grade. Currently, Senior Pastor John White is giving a message series on "Questions I Want To Ask God" with weekly topics such as: How Can I Stop Worrying?, Why Do Bad Things Happen To Good People?, Is There Really Such a Place as Hell?, Why Do I Keep Doing Stupid Things?, How Can I Know What God Wants For Me?, and What If I Don't Want To Pray? (the later four recorded from August).

We offer other opportunities for spiritual growth and Christian fellowship... for all age groups. Check out our brand new website at: [www.LNBnazarene.org](http://www.LNBnazarene.org) or feel free to call the church at 224-1311. We look forward to meeting you in September.

New Beginnings Church of the Nazarene: We are a church that... **Reaches** out to others, **Teaches** the love of Christ, a place where you can **Belong.** ■

## Deputy Fire Chief Robert Bottcher Given Award



Loudon Fire Department's Deputy Chief Robert Bottcher, was recently named to the Metropolitan "Who's Who Registry." Inclusion in the Registry is limited to people who have shown outstanding leadership or achievement in their occupation, industry or profession.

Deputy Bottcher has a total of 37 years in the fire service. He spent five years with the Mastic, Long Island, NY fire department before coming to Concord, NH where he spent twenty-two years. He retired from the Concord Fire Department as a Firefighter/Paramedic. He is now in his twenty-first year with the Loudon Fire Department and is currently an EMT-I/FF. ■

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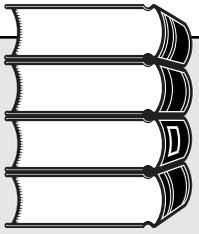
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## Maxfield Public Library News

By Cheryl Ingerson

### SUMMER READING PROGRAM NEWS

Congratulations to all 137 of you who completed the Summer Reading Program, "Reading Road Trip U.S.A.!" Those who finished the program were invited to Awards Night to pick out prizes with the points they earned throughout the summer.

**Great Job! And Congratulations** to the following: Finn Baldwin, Will Baldwin, Caitie Barrett, Warren Bartlett, Josh Bodnar, Mason Bolduc, Meghan Booker, Cameran Bruillard, Samantha Bruillard, Melissa Chaput, Matthew Clark, Matt Cohen, Travis Cohen, Jesse Corthell, Normand Corthell, Walter Corthell, Jacob Coulombe, Nathan Coulombe, Dan Cowan, Sarah Cowan, Lucas Cram, Caroline Crouch, Thomas Crouch, Johanna Darling, Jarrett Davis, Krisztian Davis, Sarah Davis, Danielle DeCicco, Elisha Dodenhoff, Ethan Dodenhoff, Elizabeth Doody, Emily Doody, Jay Downs, Katie Downs, Katie Earle, Laura Earle, Mitch Filion, Kallie Fisher, Levi Fisher, Wade Fisher, Alysia Gagnon, Payton Geerdes, Christopher

Gelinas, Haleigh Gelinas, Madison Goble, Mason Graham, Mitchell Graham, Kim Green, Devin Guptil, Erin Hagerty, Remus Harris, Romulus Harris, Kristin Haycock, Karra Hebert, Jessica Ingerson, Kathryn Ingerson, Casey Ingraham, Sidney Ingraham, Luke Jackson, Trent Jackson, Elise Johnson, Seth Johnson, Nora Kirsch, Dylan Kontoes, Ben Kowalczyk, Kyle Kowalski, Oscar Lakowicz, Justin Mailhot, Misty Martell, Scott Martell, Sophia Maslauskas, Vanessa Maslauskas, Sarah Moriello, Tyler Nichols, Natalie Nolin, Sophie Nolin, Megan Nunn, Hannah O'Brien, Lily Osgood, Sophie Osgood, Joseph Ostrowski, Matthew Ostrowski, Rosemary Ostrowski, Haley Parent, Kelly Pedersen, Hannah Poland, Isaac Poland, Levi Poland, Emily Purtell, Chloe Rattee, Matt Rattee, Robbie Rattee, Tristan Rattee, Chloe Renkert, Noah Renkert, Taylor Rioux, Emily Robbins, Rebecca Robbins, Lauren Rouse, Trevor Rouse, Jacob Roz, Kristie Schoffield, Ryan Schoffield, Scott Schoffield, Hallie Seltzer, Noah Seltzer, Kevin Severance, Cole Shepard, Taylor Smith, Alexis Spradling, Brady Spradling, Emily Stearns, Ben

Stephens, Ryan Stephens, Elijah Stringer, Luke Stringer, Courtney Theberge, Emily Theberge, Albert Theriault, Caleb Theriault, Kristen Therrien, Matthew Therrien, Clyde Thurber-Wells, Maizie Thurber-Wells, Andrew Tuson, Thomas Tuson, Deven Valenti, Brian Walk, Drew Weilbrenner, Evan Weilbrenner, Jared Weilbrenner, Alec White, Jolie White, Samantha Will, Griffin Worster, Harrison Worster, Sophie Worster.

### STORY TIME

Story time will start up in September and will offer three different days to choose from: Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. or Wednesdays at 2:00 p.m. This is a great opportunity for the children to fall in love with books and to get to know their future classmates.

Starting off the month, on the 4th, 5th, and 6th, the children will hear *Gaspard on Vacation* by Anne Gutman, and *Minerva Louise at the Fair* by Janet Morgan Stoeke. They will create a juicy watermelon magnet to hold their future creations.

From the 11th through the 13th, the children will listen to Betsy Franco's *Why the Frog Has Big Eyes* and Sandra Jordan's *Frog Hunt*. Afterwards, they will make a frog puppet.

The 18th through the 20th will focus on friendship as the children are told stories by Marcus Pfister and Nancy Carlson, *Rainbow Fish to the Rescue!* and *My Best Friend Moved Away*. They will end story time by making their very own Rainbow Fish.

After listening to *Apple Farmer Annie* by Monica Wellington, and *Johnny Appleseed* by Patricia Demuth, the children will use apples to stamp out an autumn masterpiece on the 25th, 26th, and 27th.

### APPLE PICKING

One way New Englanders celebrate the fall season is to go apple picking. The library will host the annual story time field trip to Meadow Ledge Farm in Loudon for apple picking. Tours are scheduled for the week of October 1st, and will take the place of regular story time for that week. Pre-payment and sign-up are required. The cost will be \$3.00 per child and will include a 1/2 peck of apples, a wagon ride through the orchard, and a snack of cider and an apple. The children will also learn about the apple growing process and how cider is made. Parents are welcome to pick apples as well at the regular picking price. Please call 798-5153 for more information.

### CAN YOU HELP?

In the library foyer, you will find a bin for the Lion's Club and another for the PTA. The Lion's Club is accepting donations of eyeglasses, hearing aids, cell phones, and printer ink cartridges. The Loudon PTA is collecting UPC labels from Campbell's products and Box Tops for Education. Both groups appreciate your donations for these worthwhile causes.

### THANK YOU TO THE TEWKSBURY FAMILY

Francis Tewksbury was a kind and friendly visitor to the library for many years. We regret his passing and will miss him. We would like to sincerely thank his family for donating so many of his wonderful books to the library. His collection of Zane Grey is truly outstanding and will be available for readers who enjoy classic western tales. Thanks again to the Tewksbury Family!

### NEW BOOKS

#### Fiction

*American Cream*, Catherine Tudish  
*The Burnt House*, Faye Kellerman  
*Category 7*, Bill Evans  
*The Cloud of Unknowing*, Thomas H. Cook

*Getting Rid of Matthew*, Jane Fallon  
*Oystercatchers*, Susan Fletcher

#### Nonfiction

*Femme Fatale*, Pat Shipman  
*FDR*, Jean Edward Smith  
*Lewis and Clark through Indian Eyes*, Alvin M. Josephy, ed.  
*Perfect Spy*, Larry Berman  
*Savage Kingdom: The True Story of Jamestown*, Benjamin Woolley

### BOOK GROUP

Amazon.com says "Author Erik Larson imbues the incredible events surrounding the 1893 Chicago World's Fair with such drama that readers may find themselves checking the book's categorization to be sure that *The Devil in the White City* is not, in fact, a highly imaginative novel. Combining the stories of an architect and a killer in one book, mostly in alternating chapters, seems like an odd choice but it works." On September 27, at 7:30, the discussion group will see what our readers think about this book that has been very popular with reading groups around the state. New participants are always welcome. For more details, please call 798-5153.

### LIBRARY HOURS

The library is open Mondays 1-7 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays 10 a.m.-9 p.m., Wednesdays 1-9 p.m., and Saturdays 9 a.m.-1 p.m. ■

Why does the cake like to play baseball?

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August Word Scramble Answers:  
Corn Play Burn  
Berries August Hike  
Peach Trip  
Cheeseburger Swim

## Getting Ready for a Great 2007/2008 Year!

### Loudon Girl Scouts are Getting Ready for a GREAT 2007/2008 Scouting Year!!!

We are gearing up for a FANTASTIC 2007/2008 Loudon Girl Scout year and we can't wait to have you involved! We are looking for girls and adult volunteers to join us in our fun! If you are a girl in grades kindergarten on up you are eligible to have tons of fun with us (don't worry, those of you who aren't in kindergarten yet, we will be waiting for you to join in the fun as soon as you are able). Thank you to those of you who stopped by the booth at Loudon Old Home Day and gathered information.

On the Loudon website, [www.loudonnh.org](http://www.loudonnh.org), you will find interest forms that you can print and send in. There is a form for girls ages 5-17 who are interested in becoming a Girl Scout. You will also find a form for those of you adults who may be interested in volunteering for the Girl Scouts of Loudon. There are so many ways you can help even if you only have an hour or two a month to spare. Whether you were a Girl Scout as a child, an adult volunteer in the past or someone who wishes they were, we have room for you to be a part of our great group! We also welcome adults, male and female, with skills or interests they would like to share with girls.

If you are unable to print the forms, you can also call Michele Paquette, Service Unit Manager for Loudon Girl Scouts at 783-4275 or email [mmmpaquette@comcast.net](mailto:mmmpaquette@comcast.net) we hope to hear from you soon! Check back next month to hear more from our great troops and what their plans are for the year. ■



*The Fourth of July comes alive — the Girl Scouts' winning float.*

### Girl Scouts Celebrate Fourth of July

The Girl Scouts of Loudon have done it again. The girls, with the help of many volunteers, created another award winning parade float for this year's Loudon Old Home Day grand parade.

The theme this year was "Holidays Our Way" and the girls chose The Fourth of July for their float theme. Many historical American figures and symbols of freedom were there: Betsy Ross, Benjamin Franklin, the Statue of Liberty, Thomas Jefferson and his cosigners of The Declaration of Independence, and even a proud American soldier. The centerpiece of the float was a replica of The Liberty Bell.

There were stars and firecrackers (the two-legged kind) following the float handing out patriotic candy and beads. We had 18 girls participate in the parade and many more helped with the float creation. We hope you enjoyed our display.

Special thanks go out to Pleasant View Gardens, Capital Fire Protection Co. Inc., Arthur Austin, Brian Campbell, Ken & Darlene Conte, the Loudon Girl Scouts, and all the adult volunteers who served on the float committee and helped in the production. You all really made this float a success.

Our **First Place** trophy will be on display at Loudon Elementary School for everyone to see. Anticipation is building as we anxiously await to hear what the theme will be for next years Loudon Old Home Day. We're ready to get started!! ■

## Cub Scout News

Cub Scout registration for the coming school year will take place at the Loudon Elementary School Open House, Wednesday, September 5 at 6:30 p.m. The first Pack Meeting will be held at the elementary school on Wednesday, September 19 at 6:30 p.m.

The Scouts had an active summer with 11 boys attending over-night camp at Camp Carpenter in Manchester and another 6 boys attending day camp at Elmbrook State Park. The Pack held its annual campfire at Cascade Campground in July. They also marched in the parade and ran carnival booths at Old Home Day in August.

For more information about Scouting contact the Committee Chair, Ronda DeCato at 783-0125 or check out the Boy Scout section under Lifestyles at [www.loudonnh.org](http://www.loudonnh.org). ■

*At right: Cub Scouts from Pack 247 attended Camp Carpenter in July. They swam, hiked, and cooked over an open fire as well as spent a night sleeping in teepees. They also tried their hand at archery and BB guns.*



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# Ray Cummings: Eulogy and Message From a Friend

By Mary Ann Steele

On Friday morning, July 27th, friends and family crowded into the Loudon Freewill Baptist Church on Clough Hill for the funeral of Raymond C. Cummings. The service began promptly at 11:00 a.m., with the Reverend Henry Frost officiating. Many of us thought we'd have plenty of time to find a seat in the church if we got there by 10:30 that morning, but we were mistaken. When I arrived, the parking lot was full, and cars lined the road on either side of the Town Hall. The church was already filled to capacity; so about forty more of us took seats in the Town Hall below.

The Reverend Henry Frost opened the service with a reading of the 23rd Psalm, then followed with a eulogy and a pair of poems. The eulogy itself is printed below with Henry's permission.

*"It has been my privilege and joy to have known the Cummings family for over forty years. November 1966 was the first time I met Ray in person at my grandmother's home on Route 129. I turned 24 that year, got married in July at this church, and my grandfather passed away in September of 1966 as well. It was the month of November when Raymond Cummings came by my grandmother's home when I was there and asked her if she needed a ride up here to the town hall to vote. I have never forgotten that day as a young man of 24, as Ray drove in Grammy's dooryard with the biggest station wagon I had ever seen.*

*"As the years went by, I could sense the love that Ray had for the Town of Loudon. He was known fondly to many as "Uncle Ray," just as my aunt Gladys was known as "Auntie" to all who crossed her path.*

*"Ray took an interest to all aspects of the Town of Loudon. He loved politics and was not ashamed to stand up for what he thought was right concerning any given issue relating to Loudon and his personal life as well. I like Ray, because he could always find time to share with you what he thought was the best on behalf of any situation. We visited many times there in his office on Saturday morning when he came down to Chichester Road with his pipe, coffee, and paper to read. Betty and I would be over at the food pantry waiting on customers and Ray always took time to come over and say hi. The Blessed Hope Food Pantry is where it is today because of Raymond Cummings.*

*"He and Eileen had 53 years together as husband and wife, raising two children, and have enjoyed the four grandchildren and four great grandchildren. Ray was a Red Sox fan and enjoyed all sports in general. The church suppers and public gathers were to his liking and he especially loved the time together with the boys at the Epsom Traffic Circle and the restaurant there.*

*"Ray taught his kids to water ski and just enjoyed being with family and friends. His work took a great deal of*

*his time, but he always had time for his family and especially those in their hour of need. He did a lot of good things and never expected anything in return. You who are here today had a special relationship with Raymond that I did not have. Cherish those precious memories that you have of him and may they linger in the hours and days ahead."*

Henry told the congregation that he had a poem Raymond had received from his mother titled "Sketches" by Ben Burroughs. He read it aloud, beginning with author's advice, "Live each day as though it were your last upon this earth, for although life is borrowed time, gold cannot buy its worth." After Henry read a second poem and several passages from scripture, he gave a brief homily. He then turned the pulpit over to Charlene Morin, a lifelong friend of the Cummings family, who asked to share some memories. Unfortunately, I was not able to capture all her wonderful adlibs — particularly the one about "The Frappe" — but Charlene was gracious enough to fill in the details after the service. The text of Charlene's notes is reproduced below, with her permission:

*"My husband, Allan, and Raymond grew up together on Mudgett Hill here in Loudon. They entered the Navy the same year in 1952. Ray was Best Man when we got married.*

*"I got to know Ray better when we were stationed in Norfolk, Virginia. On the base when we drove by his station, you would always see him outside playing volleyball or badminton. He taught simulated flying (when I don't know).*

*"When Allan was at sea, Ray was always at our apartment checking to see if my son, Rich and I were O.K. or if we needed anything. Ray was there when I had to evacuate the apartment because of a hurricane coming. Our apartment was right on the beach and Allan would have to go out to sea with his boats.*

*"I have a lot of memories that I shall cherish forever. Just to name a few —*

*His old Hudson — coming home on weekends. We would have to stop every few miles to put water in the radiator. That was going both ways. We always made it nevertheless. That's when he decided to get a motorcycle, maybe.*

*Movie on the base — Jerry Lewis and Dean Martin. I wanted to see it but didn't want to go alone on the base, so I asked Ray to go with me. He said he would, if I would pay his way. I agreed. I've got to tell you that the admission price was 10 cents. I guess that was the beginning of him being a businessman.*

*We had heifers pastured in Allentown. They got out and were running wild for some time. They were spotted one day when we were all at a picnic at Bear Brook Park. Ray, Eileen, Allan, and I and a few others took off to catch them. Ray and Eileen were off in the woods when Ray got hold of one of them. It dragged him a little ways and*

*we were hollering to him to let go. When Ray came out of the woods, the crotch of his pants was torn out completely, and right behind him came Eileen. It looked like Eileen had attacked him in the woods. We all had a good laugh over that one. Eileen and a couple of other girls drove Ray home to change his clothes. We were hoping we didn't get stopped, as it wouldn't have looked good with four girls in the car with Ray in the back with his clothes all torn to shreds.*

*Eileen and I became very close friends when I moved here in 1956 after Allan and Ray were discharged from the Navy. Ray let us move into his mother's house on Mudgett Hill.*

*Eileen and I were inseparable for many years. When they owned the 106 Beanstalk, Ray always kept Eileen busy running to Manchester for groceries. We would pack up the kids, Randy, Rob, Mitch, and Mike and head out. Moe and Rich were in school at the time or we would have needed a bus.*

*When Ray started the oil company, it was the same for Eileen, only this time she was headed for Maine. I think her theme song was "On the Road Again."*

*When my brother went down with the U.S.S. Scorpion sub in 1968, Ray and Eileen insisted on driving me, my sister, and aunt to Norfolk for the memorial services.*

*The Frappe — On the way home, we stopped at an ice cream shop to get drinks. I had gotten a frappe and had just started drinking it when my aunt came along and flicked the ashes off her cigarette into it. Eileen will never forget the look on my face when she did it. I said, "I'm not drinking this!" Ray said, "Give it to me. I will!" and he did!*

*Ray loved to eat. When we all went out to eat together, if you couldn't finish your meal, Ray would finish it for you — yours and everybody else's.*

*I will never forget the fun times at the lake with the kids.*

*Ray and Eileen took Rob to Florida with them.*

*Ray and Eileen were there for me whenever I needed them, especially when I became very ill, they took care of my daughter Tracy for me.*

*Ray and Eileen have been a big asset in my life. They have been the wind beneath my wings many times. He will be deeply missed and in my heart forever. Thank you, Ray.*

*My deepest sympathies go out to you Eileen, Moe, Randy and Carole, Dick and Marge, all the grandchildren, great grandchildren and relatives. May God bless you all and comfort you."*

Raymond's brother-in-law Mickey and his wife Dottie also have a tale or two to tell about growing up in Loudon with Ray and Eileen. Dottie can keep you laughing for hours on end with stories about the minstrel shows and talent shows, the church suppers, the family picnics and visits to the lake. Mickey is just as likely to tell you that when Raymond was 16 or 17 years old,

Ray knew the license plate number of every car in town.

Ray had a remarkable facility for facts and figures. He was the only person I ever knew who could tell you off the top of his head the total property valuation for the town in any given year, what the tax rate was for the last ten years, or how much the budget had grown in the last two decades. Ray could rattle off the amortization schedule for a school district bond issue with the same ease that most of us recite the alphabet. Ray also seemed to know the name and address of just about everybody who lived in town, as well as those who had moved away.

Describing Raymond as an optimist would be the ultimate understatement. I remember Ray telling me once about the day he first got eyeglasses. He said that before he put those glasses on, he never realized that people had "blemishes." Although the details were sharper, he said, he often thought it was better when you couldn't see the imperfections. That perspective carried over into his personal and professional life. Every challenge provided an opportunity; every setback created the prospect of a better outcome the next time around.

A headline in Thursday's *Concord Monitor* (July 26th) described Raymond Cummings as a "forceful advocate for town." For so many of us who knew him, he was all of that and more. Not only would Ray argue a position or push for the resolution to a problem, he would back-up those ideas with action, a personal commitment, and lots of hard work. At one annual school district meeting, for instance, Ray noted that the Merrimack Valley High School Band uniforms were looking pretty old and tired. As a former member of the school board, Ray knew there was money somewhere in the budget to start upgrading or replacing uniforms, but no one wanted to discuss the matter or spend the money to do anything about it. Ray was not to be deterred. The following year, the entire band had new uniforms.

Raymond understood that communities gain strength by honoring and cherishing their past while plotting a course for their future. He was a founding member of the Loudon Historical Society, and worked diligently with folks like Bob Ordway and Dick Malfait to preserve and protect records and artifacts collected by the Society until they could persuade the Town to build a museum. He took it upon himself to have all the old Town Reports bound so they could be added to the library's collection. Until he became too ill to attend, Raymond was a regular at the Selectmen's meetings, keeping abreast of Town affairs and offering insight and advice when he could.

When it came to the Communications Council, Raymond was more than

## Recreation Community Fun Night Wrap-Up



We hope that all of you who participated in the Loudon Community Fun nights this summer have enjoyed them. The first evening held back on July 11th we had an ice cream social and field day games. The following week we had the singer storyteller Pete Cluett and rounding out the July schedule was The Nevers Band. The August Wednesday night event schedule was Wildlife Encounters, Freese Brothers Band, The Army Band and Mr. Phil's magic show.

We want to especially thank the American Legion for allowing the use of their chairs and other materials and to the American Legion Ladies Auxiliary for serving up some very refreshing ice cream at each event. Thank you to everyone for supporting this great organization for the Veterans of Loudon.

The Loudon Recreation Committee needs your help!!! We would like to know what you enjoyed, what you didn't enjoy and what you would like to see next time. Please take a couple min-

utes and let us know! You can call Alicia at 435-5193, email to [affirmhealth@yahoo.com](mailto:affirmhealth@yahoo.com) or mail them to Alicia Grimaldi, Chairperson of the Loudon Recreation Committee 7001 Sanborn Road Loudon. Your comments, suggestions and ideas for future events are GREATLY appreciated and will help us in our planning.

The Recreation Committee is going to be thinking of fall and winter programming we are brainstorming and need your ideas!!! Would you like to see aerobics classes, yoga, chess lessons, craft classes, bus trips, foreign language lessons, signing group, cooking lessons, snowshoeing??? Please let us know what you are interested in or if you have a special skill you can share or teach to others.

The next meeting of The Loudon Recreation Committee will be held on Wednesday, September 26th at the Maxfield Public Library at 6:30 p.m. Please consider joining us, we hope to see you there! ■

## Demonstration Green Home Being Built In Loudon

The 21st Century Victorian Demonstration Green Home is now under construction in Loudon. The home is being built by Zetland Homes LLC in the new Creek Water Lane neighborhood off Clough Pond Road. The Demonstration Green Home is being built under the Unites States Green Building Council (USGBC) LEED for Homes Pilot Program. It is designed to be one of the first certified homes in New Hampshire and the first in the Greater Concord Area. Zetland Homes LLC anticipates that the home will earn the LEED Silver rating. Complete information on the home is available at [www.zetlandparade.com](http://www.zetlandparade.com).

One of the major goals for the 21st Century Victorian Demonstration Green Home is to show that it is possible to build a green home using current technology and readily available materials. The home uses no oil or gas as heating, cooling, and hot water are provided by a geothermal system using a drilled well. With a super insulation package, the Demonstration Green Home will also receive the Energy Star 5 Star Plus rating. Other elements of green building being showcased include efficient design, increased durability, improved indoor air quality, and reduced water use.

The Demonstration Green Home is being built for the First Annual Parade of Homes sponsored by the NH Home Builders Association. The Parade of Homes features new homes open to the public October 6-8 and October 13-14. There will be a series of events at the Demonstration Green Home including a fundraiser for the Concord SPCA Friday night October 12 and a Home Buyers Fair November 3. The home is available for local civic and social groups to use during the months of October and November by contacting Zetland Homes at 746-3556. ■

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a founding member, advisor and director. In the early days, he cajoled reluctant boards and committees to make their minutes available for publication. Throughout the years, when the *Ledger* rolled off the press every month, Raymond would collect it from the printer and deliver it to the mailing service on time for delivery throughout the town. In fact, if you pick up your copy of the *Ledger* from a post office box in Loudon, be sure to remember Raymond. He was instrumental in getting the Postal Service to authorize a substation here in town. In fact, the next time someone asks for your zip code, and you say "03307," you might want to thank Ray. Raymond's efforts year after year, meeting with US Postal Service representatives and working through Loudon's congressional delegation, meant that Loudon finally had a zip code of its own, separate and distinct from the communities around it.

Raymond had an infectious laugh, and it was the perfect complement to his dry, New England sense of humor. He had no problem making himself the butt of the joke, as he did every Old Home Day, climbing into the dunking booth wearing swimming shorts, a T-shirt and a fright wig, goading children and adults to throw a little harder and a little straighter if they wanted to see him take the plunge. The man who could be so serious in his role as legislator, delegate to the Constitutional Convention, Selectman, treasurer, school board member and businessman knew the best laughs almost always come when you can laugh at yourself.

Of course, if the joke was on you, that didn't bother him either. Back when we served together on the Board of Selectmen, many of our spring weekends were spent assessing property. The Chief of Police and the Road Agent had cautioned us that shots had been fired near one of the road crews while working at the end of a dirt road in the same area we were scheduled to visit that Saturday. We rumbled down the road in Ray's blue and white pickup, and as we approached the last building on the road, the third Selectman suggested that we split up to make ourselves a less convenient target. Just about that time, as we stepped out of the truck, we spotted the homeowner sprinting naked through the woods towards the back of his house. Normally, we'd take turns knocking on doors, introducing ourselves, and announcing the purpose of our visit. This time, as Ray and I approached the door, we heard the homeowner moving about inside the house (hopefully putting on some pants.) Ray chuckled and said, "Mary Ann, I think you should get this one!"

If you didn't have an opinion of Raymond Cummings, it meant you probably didn't know him very well. Friend of foe, admirer or detractor, everyone whose life he touched will sense his passing. As former Town Moderator David Larrabee said at the funeral Friday morning, "This marks the end of an era. There will never be anyone quite like him. He fought for what he thought was right. Ray was a leader." ■

*Don't judge each day by the harvest you reap, but by the seeds you plant.*

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# LOUDON HISTORY AND MYSTERY

By Amanda Masse

Well, I guess many of you just know your sawmills! Yes, last month's mystery photo is the sawmill at Sanborn Farm. I received numerous phone calls and emails on this one! Jason Fiske, Bob Hibbard, Shirley Lampron, Alan Rattee, Cathy Dymont, Joanne Sanborn, Diane and Trish, Hunter and Johanna Darling, and Roberta Lugg all responded that they knew it was the Sanborn Sawmill on Sanborn Road here in Loudon. Mr. Hibbard reported that he had sawed there himself in the spring. The mill was water powered and had a large log boom. Joanne Sanborn believes the photo must have been taken in the spring since there is so much water there. Shirley Lampron noted it was the only sawmill in the area that could saw logs 24 to 30 feet in length and others could only handle smaller 16–18 foot logs. In the future I hope to have a complete historical piece on the Sanborn Farm as it has a great history behind it (though, don't all farms?) and has been almost fully restored. Stay tuned in the future. (If anyone is interested in helping me write this historical piece, let me know!!)

Maybe this one will be a little tougher??? Do you know or can you guess where this month's mystery home is? If you have guesses or details, please contact me. You can email me, Amanda at [jaelmasse@comcast.net](mailto:jaelmasse@comcast.net) or call 783-0227.

I am still looking for anyone with photos! Remember, it doesn't have to be a home and it doesn't even have to be old! It could be anything that has a great



This month's mystery.

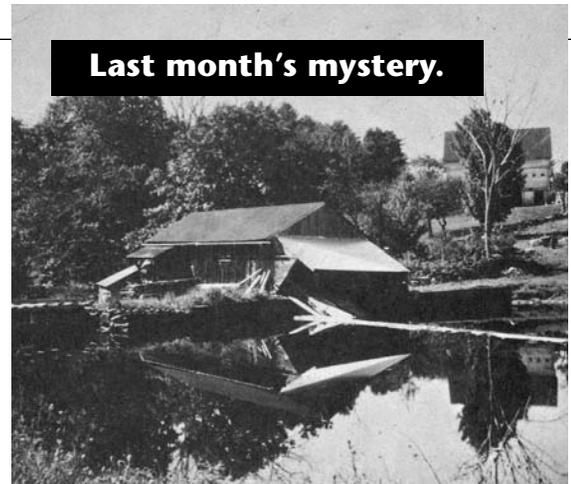
story to go with it. I can't wait to hear from you!!! I am always looking for individuals interested in helping out with this section. If you are interested in helping please contact me, Amanda by email at [jaelmasse@comcast.net](mailto:jaelmasse@comcast.net) or call 783-0227.

If you are interested in joining the Historical Society group, the next meeting is on September 12th. Please email Cyndi Babonis at [cbabonis@gmail.com](mailto:cbabonis@gmail.com) for meeting details. Let's all help keep Loudon's history alive!

## Last Month's Mystery Tool

We had some great information come in about the tool that was used on a dairy farm. One guess was that it was a castration tool of some sort! Yikes!!!

Last month's mystery.



We now believe, after hearing from Shirley Lampron and Cathy Dymont, that the tool was actually used to pull barbed wire fence together and make it tight. Thank you to those who responded! ■



## Minutes of the Loudon Historical Society — Aug. 1, 2007

Present: Bob Ordway, Dick Malfait, Melanie Kiley, Cyndi Babonis, Linda Hunton, Ron Lane, Roy Merrill, Barbara Cameron, Judy Jamilkowski, Barbara Sullivan, Henry Frost, Betty Frost, Liz Jones, Wesley Jones, Roger Dow.

At the start of the meeting, Bob welcomed all of the new attendees. It was great to have so many people interested in being a part of our mission to keep Loudon's history alive!

The nominating committee reported that they will meet in the coming week to identify those people who are interested in becoming officers and present a list of names at the next meeting. The slate of officers will include a President, a Vice-President, a Treasurer, two Secretaries (who will share the position) and a Curator.

Barbara Cameron asked how the Historical Society was organized and what responsibilities were included in these positions. Bob explained that the Historical Society is not a non-profit organization, but rather an arm of the town, meaning that the town owns it. There is a line item in the budget for the Historical Society (currently \$500.00 per year.) We try to keep money set aside in case any artifacts become available for purchase. We recently purchased a digital camera and a voice recorder for our use with oral histories and town photographs. He also passed around a copy of the constitution which lists the positions within the organization. Henry Frost commented that he didn't feel job descriptions were necessary, since they are in the by-laws. Bob will get more copies of the constitution and by-laws made for the next meeting so we can all have

one. Bob also reminded us that our by-laws call for a Board of Directors. This board meets between regular meetings. He stated that he would be interested in being on that board. Dick also said he would be interested. Both men felt that Peter Bartlett would be interested also.

Ron Lane suggested that Linda Hunton and Cyndi Babonis be considered for the dual secretary position, as they have been doing many of those tasks already. Liz Jones expressed an interest in taking on the Curator position. She has skills as an office manager which could be helpful in this position and her husband may be able to help out with computer-related tasks. Wes Jones expressed that he may also be interested in this position at a later date. Several others offered to help Liz with projects as needed. Melanie is interested in continuing as Treasurer. We will put another notice in the Ledger to see if anyone else in town is interested in holding an office.

Henry offered to correspond with Martha Cheney, who is the writer for the *Concord Monitor's* Town Crier section, and make sure our meetings are announced in the paper.

Henry stated that there may be some items donated to us in the near future. Dick stated that he knows someone who has a painting of the Batchelder farm from the 60's. Wes felt that we should put more information into the *Ledger* about new acquisitions. Liz suggested that we put a photo of an item from the museum into the *Ledger* each month with a story to go along with it.

Wes stated that he is a member of the Chichester Historical Society and that they have a very good program there and publish a newsletter. Henry suggested that we visit other societies to see what kinds of projects they do and how they get people involved. Cyndi said that she has an article taken from a website that addresses how to get a society going. Wes suggested that she bring copies of the article to the next meeting to share. Linda suggested changing the exhibits now and then to keep things fresh so that people have a reason to revisit the museum. Henry asked if we have insurance on our artifacts. Bob replied that they are insured through the town's insurance. Ron thought it would be a good idea to do a digital inventory and store it.

Barbara asked if there was a good way to get our youth involved in the Historical Society. She feels it is very important to reach the young people in the community. Everyone agreed that it is very important and some suggestions made were: boy scouts looking for Eagle projects, high school seniors looking for senior projects, youths looking for community service, elementary school visits (both in the classroom and at the museum), and after school history clubs.

Several other possibilities for projects were discussed. Ron talked about a building he knows of in town that may have been a school building. He is trying to figure out if it was or not. If it was, we may want to do something with it in the future. Bob talked about the possibility of rebuilding the first house in Loudon,

# Conservation at Work in Loudon

The Loudon Conservation Commission worked with the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and Meurig and Rosann Davies on a Farm and Ranch Land Protection Program (FRPP) project for their farm, known as Heron Hill, located off Rt. 129 in Loudon. Together we were able to purchase the development rights from the Davies and conserve their 70-acre farm. The Davies still have ownership of their farm and will be able to work their land as they always have, and know that they have done their part to save a dying breed: farms in New Hampshire. The end result was a win, win situation for everyone involved. A special thank you to those who came to the March Town Meeting and voted in favor of the warrant article that allowed the Commission to spend the monies needed to make this project happen.

The Conservation Commission in Loudon receives money each year from the Town which is earmarked for the outright purchase of land or the development rights on key parcels. The best way to use that money and get the biggest bang for

your buck is to work with programs like FRPP. Once it was determined that the Davies property matched all the criteria for the FRPP and all parties were willing to move forward, the hard work began. NRCS put up match monies equaling 50% of the appraised value of the development rights, the Davies donated 25% of the lands value and the Conservation Commission paid the remaining 25%. The Farm and Ranch Lands Protection Program (FRPP) is a voluntary program that helps farmers and ranchers keep their land in agriculture and prevent conversion of agricultural land to non-agricultural uses.

There are many programs that can be utilized to fit a particular need. The Davies wanted to know that the farm they love would remain a part of Loudon's landscape into the future. The satisfaction they received by putting a conservation easement on their property outweighed the financial gain they could have gotten from development. The Conservation Commission applauds Meurig and Rosann's efforts and we too share a sense of pride in our accomplishments. ■

*An aerial view of Heron Hill Farm located just off Route 129.*



*Rosann and Meurig Davies have sold the development rights to their Heron Hill Farm, thereby protecting this beautiful property from future subdivision and development.*



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which is in pieces at the moment. Wes suggested we make a list of ideas for future projects. He felt that if we could get some specific projects going, this would draw more people in who are interested in helping out. Bob suggested that we begin a trust fund to help pay for projects.

Linda felt that oral histories should be a priority because we need to collect people's stories before they are lost. Everyone seemed to agree on this. Cyndi suggested that it would be nice to have an outline to follow so that when the interviews are put on tape or on a computer, they would all be done in the same order, thereby making it easier to access a certain piece of information. Liz suggested we may want to get some sort of release form to get permission to use the information from interviews in other ways, such as books.

Bob talked about doing group interviews, where a group of people sit down and have a conversation about their memories of Loudon. The digital recorder can record up to four people on different channels, so we would get information from all four as they reminisce. Ron asked if we keep track of the Citizens of the Year. Bob responded that

we have pictures and write-ups on all of them.

Our next meeting will focus on oral histories. We need to come up with names of people we would like to interview. Wes said that he has completed several oral histories, and would be willing to share his knowledge of and experience in doing oral histories with us.

We closed the meeting with Wes Jones showing us an old log caliber that was given to him by Guy Deering. It bears the initials J S Lake. He is donating it to the Historical Society. Thank you, Wes!

Our next meeting will be Wednesday, September 12, 2007, at 7:00 p.m. at the Historical Society Building. (This was changed from the original date of September 5, due to the fact that several people were unable to make it that week.) Ruth (Sanborn) King will be attending our next meeting. She has written a book about the Sanborn mill that she will share with us. We look forward to it and hope that many others will join us!

*Respectfully submitted,  
Linda Hunton*



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## The American Legion Post 88 Loudon

This month is **Flag Etiquette month**. We have had many inquiries on proper flag display; I hope this will answer most of your questions.

### The Pledge of Allegiance

"I pledge allegiance" (*I promise to be true*)  
 "to the flag" (*to the symbol of our country*)  
 "of the United States of America" (*each state that has joined to make our country*)  
 "and to the Republic" (*a republic is a country where the people choose others to make laws for them — the government is for the people*)  
 "for which it stands," (*the flag means the country*)  
 "one Nation" (*a single country*)  
 "under God," (*the people believe in a supreme being*)  
 "indivisible," (*the country cannot be split into parts*)  
 "with liberty and justice" (*with freedom and fairness*)  
 "for all." (*for each person in the country...you and me!*)

The pledge says you are promising to be true to the United States of America!

### What Size Flag Do I Need?

The size of your pole will help determine the size of your flag.

**House-mounted Poles:** Your flag should be 1 foot shorter in length than your pole. A 6-foot pole is ideal for a 3' x 5' flag, whereas a 5-foot pole is ideal for a 2-1/2' x 4' flag or smaller.

**In-ground Poles:** The length of your flag should be 1/4 or 1/3 the height of your pole. For example, a 20' pole can fly a 3' x 5' or a 4' x 6' flag, depending on how large a statement you would like to make.

### The Flag Code — Respect for Flag

No disrespect should be shown to the flag of the United States of America; the flag should not be dipped to any person or thing. Regimental colors, State flags, and organization or institutional flags are to be dipped as a mark of honor.

(a) The flag should never be displayed with the union down, except as a signal of dire distress in instances of extreme danger to life or property.

(b) The flag should never touch anything beneath it, such as the ground, the floor, water, or merchandise.

(c) The flag should never be carried flat or horizontally, but always aloft and free.

(d) The flag should never be used as wearing apparel, bedding, or drapery. It should never be festooned, drawn back, nor up, in folds, but always allowed to fall free.

Bunting of blue, white, and red always arranged with the blue above, the white in the middle, and the red below, should be used for covering a speaker's desk, draping the front of the platform, and for decoration in general.

(e) The flag should never be fastened, displayed, used, or stored in such a manner as to permit it to be easily torn, soiled, or damaged in any way.

(f) The flag should never be used as a covering for a ceiling.

(g) The flag should never have placed upon it, nor on any part of it, nor attached to it any mark, insignia, letter, word, figure, design, picture, or drawing of any nature.

(h) The flag should never be used as a receptacle for receiving, holding, carrying, or delivering anything.

(i) The flag should never be used for advertising purposes in any manner whatsoever. It should not be embroidered on such articles as cushions or handkerchiefs and the like, printed or otherwise impressed on paper napkin or boxes or anything that is designed for

temporary use and discard. Advertising signs should not be fastened to a staff or halyard from which the flag is flown.

(j) No part of the flag should ever be used as a costume or athletic uniform. However, a flag patch may be affixed to the uniform of military personnel, firemen, policemen, and members of patriotic organizations. The flag represents a living country and is itself considered a living thing. Therefore, the lapel flag pin being a replica, should be worn on the left lapel near the heart.

(k) The flag, when it is in such condition that it is no longer a fitting emblem for display, should be destroyed in a dignified way, preferably by burning. (*Disposal of Unserviceable Flags Ceremony*)

### The Flag Code — Time and Occasions for Display

(a) It is the universal custom to display the flag only from sunrise to sunset on buildings and on stationary flag staffs in the open. However, when a patriotic effect is desired, the flag may be displayed twenty-four hours a day if properly illuminated during the hours of darkness.

(b) The flag should be hoisted briskly and lowered ceremoniously.

(c) The flag should not be displayed on days when the weather is inclement, except when an all weather flag is displayed.

(d) The flag should be displayed on all days, especially on:

*New Year's Day* — January 1

*Inauguration Day* — January 20

*Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday* — third Monday in January

*Lincoln's Birthday* — February 12

*Washington's Birthday* — third Monday in February

*Easter Sunday* — (variable)

*Mother's Day* — second Sunday in May

*Armed Forces Day* — third Saturday in May

*Memorial Day (half-staff until noon)* — last Monday in May

*Flag Day* — June 14

*Independence Day* — July 4

*Labor Day* — first Monday, September 1-7

*Columbus Day* — second Monday in October

*Navy Day* — October 27

*Veterans Day* — November 11

*Thanksgiving Day* — fourth Thursday in November

*Christmas Day* — December 25

*Other days as may be proclaimed by the President of the United States*

*Birthdays of States (date of admission)*

*State holidays*

(e) The flag should be displayed daily on or near the main administration building of every public institution.

(f) The flag should be displayed in or near every polling place on election days.

(g) The flag should be displayed during school days in or near every schoolhouse.

### Position and Manner of Display

The flag, when carried in a procession with another flag or flags, should be either on the marching right; that is, the flag's right, or, if there is a line of other flags, in front of the center of that line.

When used on a speaker's platform, the flag, if displayed flat, should be displayed above and behind the speaker.



When displayed from a staff in a church or public auditorium, the flag of the United States of America should hold the position of superior prominence, in advance of the audience, and in the position of honor at the clergyman's or speaker's right as he faces the audience. Any other flag so displayed should be placed on the left of the clergyman or speaker or to the right of the audience.

### Top Flag Myths

**MYTH:** The mayor, a town official, or a Post Commander can order the flag to be displayed at half-staff.

**TRUTH:** The gesture of placing the flag at half-staff means that the Nation or the state mourns the death of a highly regarded National or state figure, hence only the President of the United States or the Governor of the state may order the flag to be half-staffed in accordance with Flag Code section 7(m).

Those individuals and agencies that usurp authority and display the flag at half-staff on inappropriate occasions are quickly eroding the honor and reverence accorded this solemn act.

**MYTH:** A flag that has been used to cover a casket cannot be used for any other proper display purpose.

**TRUTH:** A flag that has been used to cover a casket can be used for any proper display purpose to include displaying the flag from a staff or flagpole.

**MYTH:** The Flag Code prohibits the display of a United States flag of less than 50 stars.

**TRUTH:** According to the U.S. Army Institute of Heraldry the United States flag never becomes obsolete. Any officially approved American flag, irrespective of the number or arrangement of the stars and/or stripes may continue to be used and displayed until it is no longer serviceable.

**MYTH:** The Flag Code does provide for penalties for violations of any of its provisions.

**TRUTH:** The Flag Code is simply a guideline for proper flag etiquette. The law does not provide penalties for violation of any of its provisions.

**MYTH:** You must destroy the flag when it touches the ground.

**TRUTH:** As long as the flag remains suitable for display, the flag may continue to be displayed as a symbol of our great country.

**MYTH:** The Flag Code prohibits the washing or dry-cleaning of the flag.

**TRUTH:** There are no provisions of the Flag Code, which prohibit the washing or dry-cleaning of the flag. The decision to wash or dry-clean would of course depend upon the type of material.

### POST NEWS AND EVENTS

We lost another comrade this past month: Raymond Cummings, a 52-year Legion member. He will definitely be missed. Our thoughts and well wishes go out to his family.

# Loudon Lions Club News

Hello from the Loudon Lions Club! We hope you've all had a good summer, because, like it or not, the first day of school will soon be here! That can only mean one thing – it's time for the Lions Club's Annual Ice Cream Social. We would like to invite all students, parents, and teachers, plus anyone who wants to stop by, to join us at the Elementary School on Friday, September 7 from 6 to 8 p.m. There will be plenty of ice cream and toppings for all! This event is free, but donations will gladly be received to build our Scholarship Fund.

The Loudon Lions Club Scholarship Fund is quite important to our members. We are very proud of the fact that over the three years that we have been able to award a scholarship, the amounts have continued to grow. In 2005 it was \$250, in 2006 it was \$350, and for 2007 it was \$400. This year's winner was Chelsea Tierney. Congratulations Chelsea and enjoy your college years!

The Lions have been busy doing what Lions around the world are best known for – assisting those with vision and hearing impairments. Thanks to the generous contributions from those who have attended our Pancake and Bikers' Breakfasts, donated money on our White Cane days, or bought tickets for our Thanksgiving-in-a-Basket Raffle, we have been able to provide eyeglasses and hearing aids for many of our citizens. Please pat yourselves on the back knowing that this has all been made possible by your generosity.

So what's next for the Lions? After the Ice Cream Social, you'll see us some Saturday morning holding another White Cane Day or selling raffle tickets for this year's Thanksgiving-in-a-Basket. Please give from your hearts and know that we will continue to give back to the community because of your generosity.

Starting in September, the Lions Club will return to our twice-a-month meetings on the first and third Tuesdays at 7 p.m. at the Maxfield Library. Please consider attending a meeting and finding out what the Lions are all about. New members are always welcome! For more information, you can contact Henry and Betty Frost at 783-4540 or Lee and Laura Smith at 798-5838.

Thank you and we hope to see you soon! ■

# Donald Clarke Named Acting Director At N.H. Fish And Game Department

Donald S. Clarke of Claremont has been appointed as the Acting Executive Director at the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department, New Hampshire Fish and Game Commission Chair Glenn Normandeau announced today. The appointment is effective Monday, August 13 at noon; Clarke will take office on August 14. The Commission has taken this action under the authority of RSA 206:8, Section III.

Clarke previously served as the N.H. Fish and Game Commissioner for Sullivan County from 1999 to 2006. Clarke has a background in real estate and agriculture, and has served on many local and county boards and committees, including six years as Sullivan County Commissioner.

The New Hampshire Fish and Game Commission conducted a nationwide search this spring for a new Executive Director to assume leadership at Fish and Game. A permanent Executive Director was not appointed. The Commission will initiate a new search later this fall. Current Fish and Game Executive Director Lee Perry is retiring. His term expires on August 13. ■

### American Legion — cont. from page 10

We regret this announcement, but The Legion Bingo will be shut down for the winter. October 30th will be the last evening of play, and we will re-open sometime in April. The reason for this closure is due to lack of attendance. We just cannot justify opening the hall in these winter months with the cost of heat and electricity being what it is nowadays. We hope you all understand and we look forward to seeing you in the spring! We will let you know when that date will be.

Loudon Old Home Day was a huge success. We thank everyone who came and joined us for breakfast and bingo. I thank the kitchen crew — you know who you are. Great job!

To the LOHD committee: Fabulous job! A better day could not have been asked for, thank you!

The Ladies Auxiliary wish to thank all who contributed to the success of our blanket raffle. The winner of the John Deere blanket was Lois Sinclair and the winner of the pink ribbon blanket was Corine Miller. Congratulations! We also thank everyone who has enjoyed our Wednesday evenings at the Recreation Field. The "Ice Cream Night" was a huge success and it was a pleasure to see children from the age of 2 to 102, enjoying the flavors of summer. We thank the Loudon Recreation Committee for sponsoring their Summer Fun Nights for all of the citizens of Loudon to attend and enjoy! ■

Thank you,  
The Legion Family

### Concord-Merrimack County SPCA presents the 2007



**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 23**  
Registration: 10 AM  
Official start: 11 AM  
Start from: Northeast Delta Dental—Concord, NH  
Join us for a 1, 3, or 5-mile walk to benefit the Concord-Merrimack County SPCA  
Live Broadcast: WJYY 105.5 & WNNH Oldies 99  
**RAIN or SHINE!**

### How you can help animals in need...

- SIGN UP SPONSORS** . . . . . Ask family, friends, neighbors, and co-workers to sponsor your Walk.
- REGISTER** . . . . . Bring your Pledge Sheet with contributions you've collected with you when you join our walk. Registration forms are available online at [www.concordspca.org](http://www.concordspca.org), by phone (753-6751), and at the shelter.
- WALK** . . . . . Choose which route you would like to walk and bring along your dog on a leash. You may also walk on behalf of another pet, or on behalf of our other shelter animals.
- FORM A TEAM** . . . . . Compete as a team and you'll fulfill a homeless pet's dream! Get together with a group of friends, coworkers, sport teammates, scouts, or others. Teams are 5 people or more to be eligible for the team prize. Contributions must be turned in on the day of the event to qualify.
- UNABLE TO WALK WITH US?** . . . . . If you are unable to join our Walk, sponsor another walker or make a contribution. Send us a photo of your pet along with your pledge or contribution and we'll pin it on someone who needs a pet to "walk." You'll be missed, but will still be helping our animals find new homes.

# Fun & Prizes

Visit with "Scruffy" our SPCA Mascot

- Dog Contests
- All Pet Photo Contest
- Demonstration
- Pet Vendors
- Kids Activities
- Raffle—Special Cash Raffle too
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- Coloring Contest for Kids

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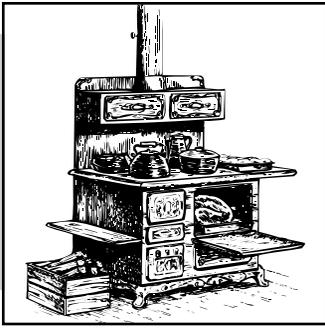
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# What's Cookin'!

## This month: Back to School!

By Jennifer Pfeifer

Happy school season! To make this year more exciting, I have chosen to focus on packing a healthy and fun lunch for the kids. While looking on the internet I came by a web page that perfectly summarized everything that I wanted to put in this edition of *The Ledger*. I have picked a few of my family's favorites, but I encourage you to further explore the website and the internet — it is a wonderful resource! You can find a copy of the complete "Creative Lunchboxes" summary online at the Food Network website: ([http://www.foodnetwork.com/food/et\\_sl\\_back\\_to\\_school/article/0,1972,FOOD\\_9871\\_4910787,00.html](http://www.foodnetwork.com/food/et_sl_back_to_school/article/0,1972,FOOD_9871_4910787,00.html)).

Make your child's lunch as entertaining as it is healthy. Pack food, dipping sauces and homemade snacks in small, colorful containers. Kids love to play, so food should appeal to their sense of fun. Include surprises, like notes or an unexpected favorite food so they look forward to their midday meal. Also buy some small ice packs to tuck in the lunchbox; the ability to chill food will increase your menu options.

### 1. DIP IT.

Kids love to dip things, so pack little containers of hummus or bean dip and pita bread. The Mediterranean-inspired dips are packed with protein and a good source of fiber. Celery sticks with a cottage-cheese salsa dip, baby carrots and yummy salad dressing dip, or apple slices and peanut butter can contribute to the fruits-and-veggies quota.

#### Hummus

- 1 (15-ounce) can chickpeas, rinsed and drained
- 3/4 cup water
- 1/2 cup tahini
- 5 tablespoons plus 2 teaspoons freshly squeezed lemon juice
- 1-1/4 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1 clove garlic
- 3 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil, plus more for serving
- Freshly ground black pepper
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh flat-leaf parsley leaves

*Serving suggestion: Assorted flat breads, and brine-cured olives.*

In a food processor, combine the chickpeas, water, tahini, 5 tablespoons lemon juice, salt, and garlic and puree. While the motor is running, pour in the olive oil and process until fully incorporated. Season with pepper, to taste. Store in the refrigerator for 6 hours, for the flavors to come together.

When ready to serve, remove the hummus from the refrigerator and stir in the remaining 2 teaspoons lemon juice and parsley. Transfer to a serving bowl or platter and drizzle with olive oil. Serve with flat breads and olives. Store any leftover hummus in the refrigerator for up to 2 days.

### 2. SKEWER IT.

Eating the same old sandwich over and over again is boring. So reinvent it. You can put all the essentials of a sandwich on wood skewers. Thread alternating small chunks of turkey, ham, cheese and bread (add cherry tomatoes for fun) on skewers for a new dimension. This trick also works well with fruit.

#### Rainbow Veggie Skewers

- 1/2 bell pepper, cut into 1-inch pieces
- 1 stalk celery, cut into 1-inch pieces
- 1 carrot, peeled and cut into 1-inch pieces
- 8 cauliflower florets or mushrooms
- 8 cherry tomatoes
- 1 cup hummus

Skewer the vegetables onto a wooden skewer and wrap with aluminum foil. Serve with the hummus.

### 3. TOSS IT.

Most kids go nuts for noodles, so pack pasta salads. It's a good way to sneak in vegetables and introduce new flavors.

#### Pasta Salad with Lemon-Pesto Dressing

- 1 pound cavatappi, corkscrew pasta, or medium shells
- Coarse salt
- 1 cup prepared pesto sauce from refrigerated case in supermarket
- 1 lemon, juiced and zested
- 1/4 cup chopped flat-leaf parsley
- 1 cup grape tomatoes, halved

- 4 scallions, chopped
- 3/4 pound ricotta salata, chopped and crumbled, in specialty cheese case of market or 1 pound tub bocconcini mini pieces of mozzarella, drained, pieces halved
- Black pepper

Bring a large pot of water to a boil and salt it. Place pesto, lemon zest, lemon juice, parsley, tomatoes, scallions and cheese in a large bowl. Cook pasta to al dente then cold shock it and chill it down under cold running water. Drain well. Add to mixing bowl. Combine salad and season with salt and pepper, to taste.

#### Sesame Noodles with Chicken

- Kosher salt
- 1 pound spaghetti or Chinese egg noodles
- 2 tablespoons toasted sesame oil
- 1 garlic clove, peeled
- 1 (1-inch) piece peeled fresh ginger
- 1/2 cup smooth peanut butter
- 1/4 cup soy sauce
- 2 tablespoons dark brown sugar
- 1 tablespoon rice vinegar
- 3/4 teaspoon crushed red pepper
- 1/4 cup hot water
- 1 Kirby cucumber, halved and sliced
- 1 cup shredded cooked chicken
- 6 scallions (white and green parts), sliced
- 1/4 cup dry-roasted peanuts, chopped

*Game Plan:* Make the sauce while the noodles cook. Bring a large pot of cold water to a boil over high heat. When the pasta water boils, salt it generously, add the spaghetti or noodles, and cook, stirring occasionally, until al dente. Drain and rinse under cold running water. Put the spaghetti in a large bowl and toss with the sesame oil.

*To make the Peanut Sauce:* In a blender drop in the garlic and ginger while the motor is running. When the chopping is complete, stop the machine and add the peanut butter, soy sauce, brown sugar, vinegar, and red pepper. Process until smooth, then—with the blender running—slowly pour in the water.

To serve, toss the spaghetti with the Peanut Sauce, then top with the cucumber, chicken, scallions, and peanuts.

### 4. WRAP IT.

Add zip with colored tortillas. Smear red and green ones with a ranch dip or cream cheese and layer in cold cuts. They're tasty, colorful and easy.

#### Turkey Avocado Wrap

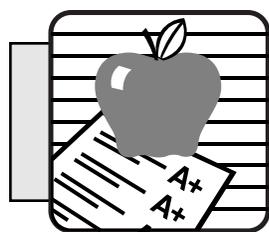
- 1/4 cup low-fat ranch dressing
- 2 tablespoons chipotle salsa
- 1/4 teaspoon finely grated orange zest
- 4 (8-inch) flour tortillas
- 12 ounces sliced oven-roasted turkey breast (from deli)
- 1 ripe Hass avocado, pitted, peeled, and sliced
- 2 cups mesclun lettuce or sprigs of cilantro
- 1-1/2 cups grated jicama
- 1 tomato, thinly sliced
- 2 scallions (white and green parts), thinly sliced
- Kosher salt and freshly ground black pepper

In a small bowl, combine the ranch dressing with the salsa and orange zest. Lay the tortillas on a cutting board, and spread the ranch mixture evenly over each one, leaving about a 1-inch border on all sides. Layer the turkey, avocado, lettuce, jicama, tomato, and scallions evenly over each tortilla, still leaving a border. Season with salt and pepper. Roll up like a pinwheel. Halve, and serve.

#### California Wrap Sandwich

- Four 10-inch flour tortillas
- 8-12 trimmed leaves of green or red leaf lettuce, washed and dried
- 12 ounces sliced cooked turkey breast
- 12 slices apple-wood smoked bacon, cooked
- 1 vine-ripened tomato, cored and cut into 16 wedges
- 1 ripe Hass avocado, peeled, pitted and cut into 16 slices tossed with 2 teaspoons lime juice

Recipes — cont. on 13



## Loudon Elementary School

### Community Invited To Tour New School!

Mr. Laliberte has announced that the community will be welcome to tour the new elementary school in September. The date and times for the tour will be announced through school notices, a notice in the *Concord Monitor* and posted around town locations. For more information, please call the Loudon Elementary School: (603) 783-4400

### Important Dates

- September 3** School closed for Labor Day
- September 5** LES Open House for grades 1-5 at 6:30 p.m.
- September 12** Picture Day
- September 14** 5th Grade Instrument Demo at 1:15 p.m.

To have your Loudon school event listed in future editions of the *Loudon Ledger*, please contact the Loudon Communications Council at the following e-mail address: [Debbie@debbiekgraphics.com](mailto:Debbie@debbiekgraphics.com) or call Kris Tripp at: 783-0448. We look forward to hearing about your event or activity! ■

**Don't forget to check  
[www.loudonnh.org](http://www.loudonnh.org)  
for the most up-to-date  
information about what's  
happening in Loudon.**

### Recipes — cont. from page 12

- Kosher salt and freshly ground pepper
- 1 cup arugula or watercress, washed and dried
- 1/2 recipe Ranch dressing, recipe follows

Wrap tortillas in barely damp, doubled layers of paper towels and microwave on high for 45 to 60 seconds. Alternatively, heat the tortillas individually in an ungreased large skillet over medium heat.

Lay the tortillas on a cutting board and start to layer the ingredients. Fan the leaf lettuce on the top three-quarters of each tortilla then lay the turkey slices on top, followed by the bacon, tomato, and avocado. Season with salt and pepper, to taste. Top with the arugula and some of the dressing. Fold up the bottom quarter of the tortilla and then start to roll each sandwich into a cone shape. Secure the tortilla with a toothpick. Serve immediately.

### Ranch Dressing:

- 2 cloves garlic
- 1/2 teaspoon kosher salt
- 1 cup prepared or homemade mayonnaise
- 1/4-1/3 cup buttermilk
- 2 tablespoons minced flat-leaf parsley
- 2 tablespoons minced fresh chives
- 1 scallion, thinly sliced
- 1 teaspoon white wine vinegar
- Freshly ground black pepper

Mash the garlic and salt to a paste with the side of a chef's knife. In a medium bowl, whisk together the garlic, mayonnaise, 1/4-cup buttermilk, parsley, chives, scallion, vinegar, and pepper to taste. If the sauce is very thick, thin the dressing with a couple more tablespoons of the buttermilk. Use immediately or refrigerate, covered, for up to 3 days.

**Next Month:** Loudon Old Home Day Winners! If you thought you just got to look at them, wait until next month. I will feature the winners of the baking contest for this year's Old Home Day. As always, if you have any recipes or suggestions contact me by email at [jtpfeifer@comcast.net](mailto:jtpfeifer@comcast.net), call at 783-8986, or send mail to 168 North Village Road, Loudon, NH 03307. ■

## NH Dept. Of Safety Boating Education

Call 267-7256 or (888) 254-2125 (Monday through Friday 8:15 a.m.-4:15 p.m.) or go to our website: [www.nhboatingeducation.com](http://www.nhboatingeducation.com)

The Dept. of Safety, Boating Education recently scheduled additional boating safety courses for the upcoming months. There is a \$10.00 non-refundable fee per person for the class & because of the limited seating pre-registration is required. Call (603) 267-7256 or (888) 254-2125 to pre-register. Seating is still available in the following courses:

### ONE FULL-DAY SESSION (Saturday)

09/08/07	9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.	Dept. of Safety, 33 Hazen Dr., Concord
09/15/07	9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.	Hampton Police Dept., Hampton
09/15/07	9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.	Ossipee Town Hall, Ossipee
09/15/07	9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.	Portsmouth Urban Forestry Center, Portsmouth
09/22/07	9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.	St. Joseph's Hospital, Nashua
09/22/07	9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.	Newbury Town Hall, Newbury
09/22/07	9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.	Windham Fire Dept., Windham
09/24/07	9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.	Plaistow Library, Plaistow
09/29/07	9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.	Dept. of Safety, 33 Hazen Dr., Concord
09/29/07	9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.	Squam Lakes Association, Rte 3, Holderness
09/29/07	9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.	Rochester Police Dept., Rochester
10/06/07	9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.	Moultonborough Public Safety Bldg., Moultonborough
10/06/07	9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.	Newbury Town Hall, Newbury
10/13/07	9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.	Dept. of Safety, 33 Hazen Dr., Concord
10/13/07	9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.	Ossipee Town Hall, Ossipee
10/20/07	9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.	Hampton Police Dept., Hampton
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10/27/07	9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.	Rochester Police Dept., Rochester
10/27/07	9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.	Windham Fire Dept., Windham
11/03/07	9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.	Dept. of Safety, 33 Hazen Dr., Concord
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11/17/07	9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.	Windham Fire Dept., Windham

### TWO-DAY SESSION (weeknights)

09/04/07 & 09/06/07	6:00-9:30 p.m.	Seabrook Fire Dept., Seabrook
09/10/07 & 09/12/07	6:00-9:30 p.m.	Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Ctr., Lebanon
09/18/07 & 09/20/07	6:00-9:30 p.m.	Bedford Police Dept., Bedford
09/18/07 & 09/20/07	6:00-9:30 p.m.	Londonderry Police Dept., Londonderry
09/24/07 & 09/26/07	6:00-9:30 p.m.	Berlin NHCTC, Berlin
09/25/07 & 09/27/07	6:00-9:30 p.m.	West Running Brook M.S., Derry
10/09/07 & 10/11/07	6:00-9:30 p.m.	Seabrook Fire Dept., Seabrook
10/15/07 & 10/17/07	6:00-9:30 p.m.	Bedford Police Dept., Bedford
10/16/07 & 10/18/07	6:00-9:30 p.m.	Dartmouth Hitchcock Medical Ctr., Lebanon
10/22/07 & 10/24/07	6:00-9:30 p.m.	West Running Brook M.S., Derry
10/23/07 & 10/25/07	6:00-9:30 p.m.	Dover High School, Dover
10/23/07 & 10/25/07	6:00-9:30 p.m.	Londonderry Police Dept., Londonderry
11/11/07 & 11/13/07	6:00-9:30 p.m.	Newbury Town Hall, Newbury
11/12/07 & 11/14/07	6:00-9:30 p.m.	Seabrook Fire Dept., Seabrook

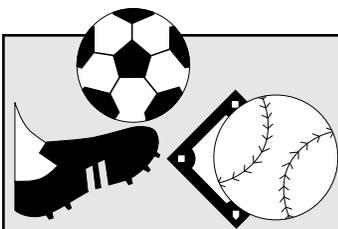


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## Loudon Youth Athletic Assoc.

By Melody Broider

### Baseball News:

A special thank you goes out to the sponsors that make youth athletics possible for the children of Loudon and surrounding towns! Thank you to Brookside Pizza, Interstate Concrete, R. Landry & Sons, Hackelboro Orchard, Pleasant View Gardens, Mulleavey Electric, Capitol Copy, Spearpoint Plumbing & Heating, JBI Helicopters, Red Roof Inn, Speedway Storage, Barton Enterprises, Capital Alarms, Canterbury Plumbing & Heating, P/M Services, Loudon Country Club, Fill-More Enterprises, Venco Wings, Smoke Shack, Best Septic, Northern European, Kezar Automotive, Perron Decorative Concrete, Professional Masonry, and TDS Telecom.

### Karate News:

What a success! The children graduated from the class on August 16th, all receiving a yellow belt and awards. Congratulations! We look forward to doing this program again next summer. Thank you to Jeff Hardy and everyone at Body Works Martial Arts Center.

### Soccer News:

With try-outs complete the coaches should be contacting everyone with team information. We will be holding the Soccer Jamboree to “kick-off” the season tentatively set for Sept. 8th. Be sure to check the website for information that you may need at [www.lyaanh.org](http://www.lyaanh.org). If you have any questions call Commissioner, Scott Hagerty at 753-4735.

### Golf News:

The LYAA and PTA golf tournament was a success. Thank you to all those that played, sponsored, and/or donated time to make this event a hit. We look forward to next year!

### Old Home Day:

Thank you to Remax for providing the hot air balloon and all the volunteers that made Old Home Day a success.

### Volunteers Wanted:

We need many volunteers to keep our programs successful for the children. We are currently looking for volunteers to help with concessions. Baseball needs are Baseball Vice President, Softball Director, Umpire in Chief, and Baseball Coaches. Please contact Baseball Commissioner, John Charron for more information.

The L.Y.A.A. meets on the fourth Tuesday of every month at the Loudon Library. **Next Meeting is scheduled for September 25th at 7:00 p.m.** Come see what's happening!

For more info, please contact Melody Broider at 267-8383 or via e-mail: [foreyesstudios@hotmail.com](mailto:foreyesstudios@hotmail.com). We are in the content input stages with our new website. This is where you can find schedules, forms, online registration, current news articles, and much more. Stop by and check it out at [www.lyaanh.org](http://www.lyaanh.org).

## Major League Soccer Camps Here in Loudon!

LYAA sponsored the Major League Soccer Camps here in Loudon from July 30 to August 2. The camp was well attended with campers ranging in age from 5-15. Despite the heat, everyone had a great time fine tuning existing skills as well as learning some new ones. Fun was had by all on theme days such as “Crazy Hair Day,” “Talent Tuesday,” “Dress the Coach,” and “Soak Day” (lots of water!) as well as every time they played their FAVORITE game “Road Kill.” Special thanks to the Osgood and Newcomb families for housing the coaches during the week. A special thank you also goes out to the Latham family for providing the hoses for the “misting area” and the DeCato family for providing Gatorade for the campers. Mark your calendars for next years camp July 28 to August 1, 2008. ■



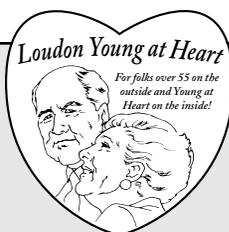
All Major League Soccer campers on their final day of camp, with their coaches.



Soccer campers on “crazy hair day.”



Coaches on “dress your coach day.”



## Loudon Young at Heart

By Joanne Arsneault

We had no July or August meeting, so nothing much to report, other than the Old Home Day parade. The Young at Heart float with a St. Patrick's Day theme was a work of art. Dick Malfait, Shirley Maxfield and Don Heath and the float committee members did a great job. The float won second place.

The September 11th meeting will be our annual cookout at the Community Center. We will have our usual fare of hamburgers, hot dogs, salads, drinks and desserts. Members attending should bring a lawn chair or two, and wearing hats and sunglasses would probably be a good thing.

September is also the month that we elect new officers for the coming year. Anyone wanting one of these positions will be welcome. ■



## Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association

PO Box 1797, Concord, NH 03302-1797, 224-4093

### Senior Health Clinics

A September Senior Health Clinic will be offered in Loudon at the Community Center on September 25 from 9 a.m. until noon. All Senior Health Clinic services are \$10. Blood pressure checks are free. To make an appointment or for more information call Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association's Senior Health Program at 224-4093 or 800-924-8620, extension 4830. If you need a ride, please call 798-5203.

### Monthly Walk-In Immunization Clinics

The following affordable monthly walk-in Immunization Clinics for all ages will be offered on Tuesday, Sept. 18, from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m.

Immunization Clinics are held at the Downtown Health Clinic at St. Paul's Episcopal Church Outreach Center, 21 Centre Street, Concord. A fee of \$5.00 is requested per child (under 18). Adult vaccination costs vary by the cost of the individual vaccines. Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Please bring an immunization record with you. For more information call Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association Community Health Services at 224-4093 or 800-924-8620, extension 4830.

### Monthly Walk-In Blood Pressure Clinics

Free walk-in Blood Pressure Clinics will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 5, 2007, 10 a.m. to Noon at Hannaford's Pharmacy, Ft. Eddy Rd., Concord and on Wednesday, Sept. 12, 2007, 10:30-11:30 a.m. at the White Rock Senior Living Community, Wellness Office 6 Bow Center Rd., Bow.

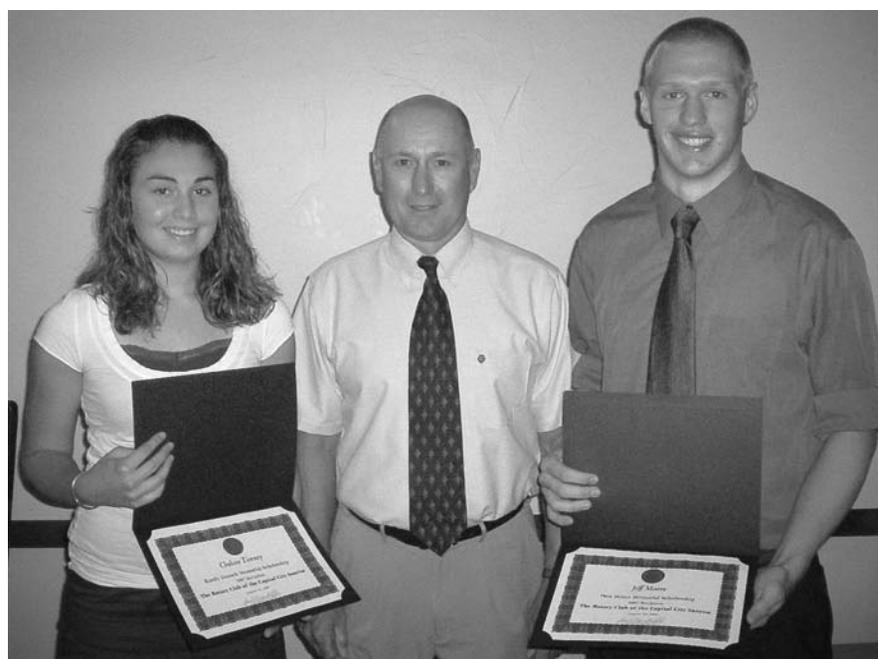
Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association offers blood pressure screenings in the areas that it serves. Blood pressure screenings are a good way for individuals to track their blood pressure for upcoming visits to their physician. Blood pressure screenings are free of charge. For more information call Concord Regional Visiting Nurse Association at 224-4093 or 800-924-8620.

### Grief Support Group

A free eight-week morning and evening adult grief support group will be offered in September. The morning group will meet Thursdays beginning September 13 from 10:30 a.m. to noon at the Wesley United Methodist Church. The evening group will meet Tuesdays beginning September 18 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. at Concord Public Library. Trained grief support facilitators will provide an opportunity for support and education to adults who have suffered a recent loss. Group size is limited. Pre-registration is required by September 7. Please contact Laurie Brooks, at (603) 224-4093 ext. 2826 or [laurie.brooks@crvna.org](mailto:laurie.brooks@crvna.org).

### Grief Support Talk Just for Men

Because expressing grief can be different for men and for women, Concord Regional VNA will present a talk for men titled "Living With Grief" on September 28 from 9 to 10:30 a.m. at the Unitarian Universalist Church at 274 Pleasant Street in Concord. The talk will be given by Bevan C. Tulk, Spiritual Care Coordinator in the Hospice Program of Concord Regional VNA. A group discussion will follow the talk and a continental breakfast will be served. The men's group will continue to meet on the last Friday of each month with an informational session followed by discussion. Refreshments will be provided. There is no fee or registration. For more information, contact Laurie Brooks at 224-4093, ext. 2826 or [laurie.brooks@crvna.org](mailto:laurie.brooks@crvna.org). ■



## Scholarship Winners

Loudon residents Chelsea Tierney and Jeff Moore were recipients of scholarships from the Capital City Rotary Club. Chelsea was the recipient of the Randy Daniels Memorial Scholarship. Jeff was awarded the Don Minor Memorable Scholarship. The students are pictured with Capital City Rotary President Jack Prenzville. ■

## Do Not Remove Tags From Winnepesaukee Bass Study Fish

Anglers reporting tagged bass to the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department as part of a study on bass movement in Lake Winnepesaukee are being asked NOT to remove the tags from bass that are caught and released.

"The survey is going great, but it is of the utmost importance to the success of this study that anglers not remove the tags from fish they release," said Gabe Gries, Fisheries Biologist and Warmwater Project Leader for N.H. Fish and Game. "The purpose of the study is to follow the movements of bass over months or even years, not just record their location a single time."

To date, 1,500 bass have been tagged and released by Fish and Game since the Bass Movement Study got underway on June 30, 2007. Anglers have already reported on the location of more than 100 recaptured fish. Updates on the progress of the study, a print-and-mail reporting form, and more information about the study can be found at [http://www.wildlife.state.nh.us/Fishing/fisheries\\_management/Bass\\_Movement\\_Study\\_2007.html](http://www.wildlife.state.nh.us/Fishing/fisheries_management/Bass_Movement_Study_2007.html)

"Anglers have been fantastic — we couldn't conduct this study without their help," Gries said. "We just need them to be aware that it's important to leave the tags on bass they plan on releasing."

As part of the N.H. Fish and Game Warmwater Fisheries Management Program study, anglers fishing Lake Winnepesaukee are being asked to watch for tagged largemouth and smallmouth bass. Data collected from tagged bass will allow biologists to examine bass movement after release from bass tournament weigh-ins held at Ames Farm Inn. ■

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## Concord Hospital Cholesterol Treatment Center Offers Exciting Clinical Trials for Patients

Thanks to the pioneering efforts of the Concord Hospital Cholesterol Treatment Center medical team led by three lipidology board-certified physicians, eligible patients can participate in many leading-edge clinical trials that evaluate the effectiveness of different cholesterol-lowering medications.

One trial currently offered at the dedicated Concord Hospital Cholesterol Treatment Center focuses on Lipitor and Zetia medications. Eligible patients receive either 10 mg of Lipitor and 10 mg of Zetia for 12 weeks or receive only Lipitor, starting with 20 mg for the first six weeks of treatment and later increasing to 40 mg of the medication for the final six weeks. Participating patients receive free medications, exams, laboratory studies, electrocardiograms (EKGs), nutritional counseling, as well as travel reimbursement. This care complements treatment a participant receives with their primary care physician.

To be eligible to participate in this trial, you must:

- Be 65 years of age or older;
- Have a high level of LDL (bad) cholesterol;
- 70 mg/dL to 160 mg/dL if you have heart or vascular disease or;
- 100 mg/dL to 190 mg/dL without atherosclerotic vascular disease but have diabetes or multiple risk factors. Arteriosclerosis is the leading cause of death in the United States and the primary cause of heart attack, stroke and abdominal aortic aneurysm;
- Have never taken cholesterol-lowering medications or have been currently taking them for six weeks.

“As medications evolve and become more effective, so does treatment for

high cholesterol,” said Dr. Mary McGowan, medical director of the Concord Hospital Cholesterol Treatment Center and board-certified in lipidology and internal medicine. “Clinical trials at the Cholesterol Treatment Center help people fight high cholesterol, giving patients the opportunity to help themselves as well as others. Today’s trials may become tomorrow’s standard of care in treating high cholesterol.”

“Our specially trained medical team that has more than 10 years of experience administering clinical trials empowers patients to take a more active role in their health care,” added Mary Card, MBA, RD, LD, clinical research coordinator of the Concord Hospital Cholesterol Treatment Center. “All patients including clinical trial participants receive a personalized plan of care that includes a consultation with one of our highly trained dieticians, medication management assistance, exercise program and follow-up.”

The Concord Hospital Cholesterol Treatment Center is dedicated to helping adults lower cholesterol and reduce cardiac risk and is the only facility in the state where children can be treated for cholesterol disorders. The center provides services for:

- Adults with coronary disease, diabetes or who have suffered a stroke;
- Adults and children with genetically high cholesterol;
- Adults and children with weight related cholesterol disorders.

The Concord Hospital Cholesterol Treatment Center is located on the hospital campus in the Memorial Building, Suite 210. For more information about the center and clinical trials, call (603) 230-1920. ■

## Get Rolling on Your Family Winter Vacation



(NewsUSA) — With a minimum workday of 8 hours and an average commute time of 24 minutes each way, working parents are seeing less and less of their children. As a result, more parents are opting for family-based vacations to reconnect and catch up with their loved ones.

“Americans with children are seeking to use their vacations to reconnect with the family unit,” said Peter Yesawich, chairman and CEO of Pepperdine, Brown & Russell, a leading travel, leisure and entertainment public relations firm. “Consumers want to reconnect with what they feel is really important in their lives.”

So, the 71 percent of parents who wish they could spend more time as a family are in search of the perfect family vacation. Those who are looking for a departure from the usual treks to Disney World should consider a unique, festive way to vacation this winter.

The Rocky Mountaineer winter train captures the dream of a snow-capped holiday season as it travels from Vancouver, British Columbia, to Banff, Alberta, in the Canadian Rockies with transfers available to Calgary, Alberta. Families can reconnect during two full days amid the pristine winter scenery.

The train exudes a festive feel in the winter with views of glacier-capped mountain peaks and snow-filled valleys. Additionally, holiday entertainment, gifts for the children, holiday-themed

meals and an appearance by Santa add to the charm. Adults can also embrace the holiday spirit by dancing to live jazz in a specialty bar car.

In a private dining room onboard, guests enjoy an à la carte menu of bi-regional cuisine, seasonal dishes and award-winning local wines. Eggnog and mulled wine are even available to those truly festive passengers.

Families also enjoy winter fun when they get off the train. They can take part in an array of winter activities such as dog sledding, skiing, skating, Native American winter crafts and even a snowball fight.

A Rocky Mountaineer vacation is even more affordable this holiday season, during which one child between the ages of 2 and 11 years of age travel free with two full-paying adults in GoldLeaf Service. Vacation packages on which the special is available include: Winter Wonderland, Canadian Rockies Winter Excursion, A Truly Canadian Christmas or Winter in the Canadian Rockies.

For more information about a family trip aboard the Rocky Mountaineer this winter or to learn about their special promotion for children this season, visit [www.winterrailvacations.com](http://www.winterrailvacations.com) or call 1-866-754-8842. ■



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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Alternate Contact Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Best Time To Reach Me: \_\_\_\_\_

Yes, I want to make a difference in the lives of girls. I am interested in Girl Scout volunteer opportunities in the following areas (please check areas of interest):

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- Parent Volunteer
- Driver for Field Trips
- Assisting with Troop records/paperwork
- Purchasing Supplies
- Sharing a Special Skill with Troop or Group
- Product Sales Manager for a troop (Fall Product or Cookie)
- Fall Product Sale Delivery Manager
- Coordinating Parent Support
- CPR & First Aid Certified for special events
- Photographer for special events or groups
- EMT, RN or other Level 2 First Aid Certified
- Lifeguard Certified for special events
- Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

I have the following special skills that I can share (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

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Questions?

Please call, Michele Paquette at (603) 783-4275 or contact any Loudon Girl Scout Leader who can help you.

Please return this completed form to  
Michele Paquette  
7024 School Street  
Loudon, NH 03307.

**Are you interested in joining the Girl Scouts of Loudon???**

If you are, please fill out the form below and mail it to: Amanda Masse, Registrar for Loudon Girl Scouts 82 Lesmerises Road Loudon NH 03307. If you have any questions, please call 783-0227 and Thank you!

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Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

- I prefer:  after school meetings  
 evening meetings  
 either

Days that DO NOT work for meetings are: \_\_\_\_\_

I wish to volunteer or would like more information about:

- Leader
- Assistant or Co-Leader
- Troop Committee Member
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

Please print Parent/Guardian name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*We will do our best to place as many girls as possible, but Girl Scouting can only happen with adult involvement and volunteers! Thank you!*

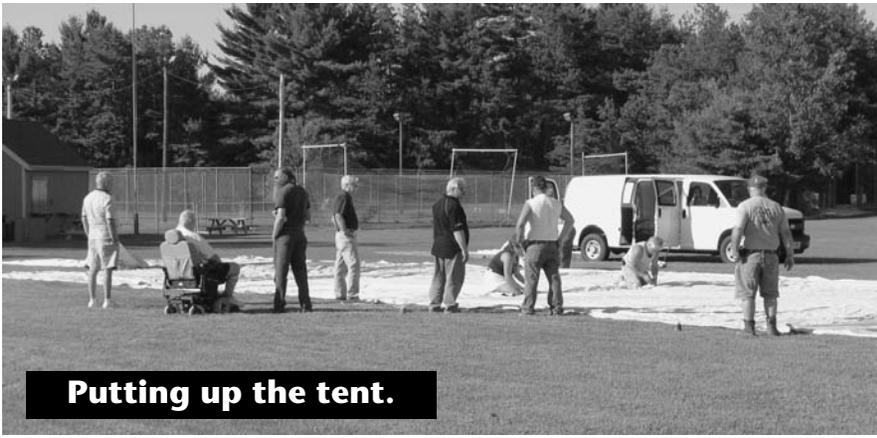
**Join the Loudon Communications Council!**

**We meet once a month at the Community Building. Our September Meeting is Monday, September 17 at 7 p.m. The Council can always use help writing articles, taking photos, and distributing papers.**



**The Loudon Communications Council invites you to its 2007 Annual Meeting on Monday, October 22nd at 6:30 p.m. at The Community Building — Charlie's Barn in the Village**

# Loudon Old Home Day 2007



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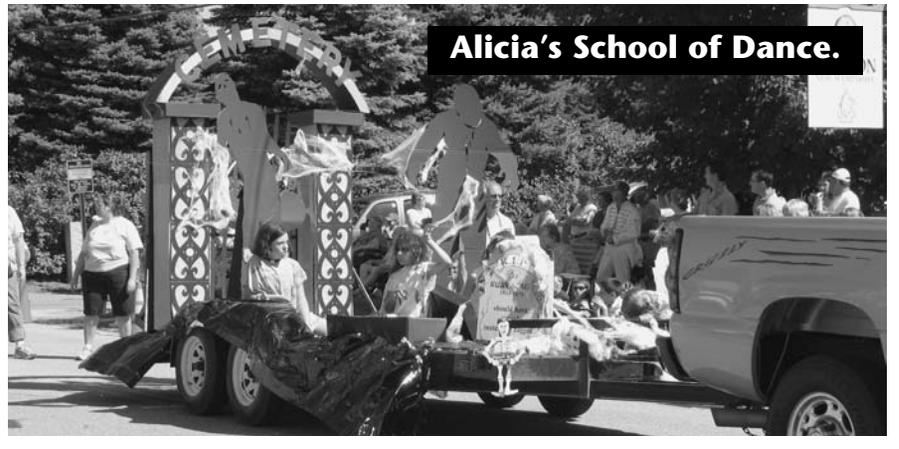
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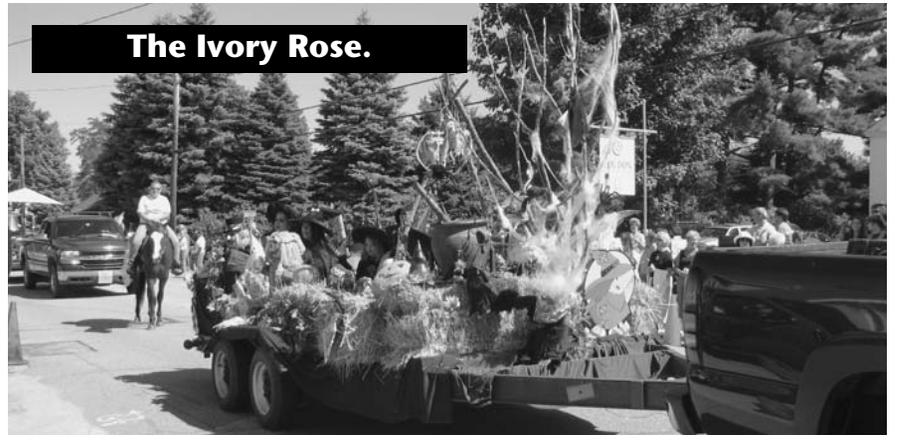
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## Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care and Living Will: Do I Need Them?

Thomas F. McCue, Attorney at Law

We cannot always know if an incapacitating illness or condition will strike. By taking steps before such a situation develops, you can ensure that your preferences regarding your medical care are known. Everyone over the age of eighteen should make these preparations.

In New Hampshire, and many other states, you can use legal documents known as Advanced Directives to accomplish this important goal. Two forms of Advanced Directives recognized in New Hampshire are the *Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care* and the *Living Will*.

The Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care is a legal document in which you name another individual to make medical decisions for you should you become incapacitated. This individual is known as your health care agent. The Durable Power of Attorney for Health Care takes effect when you are unable to make decisions, such as if you become temporarily unconscious, or during surgery. In this document you can include instructions for which treatments you do or do not want. Additionally, you specify whether or not you want intravenous feeding or liquids.

The Living Will takes effect when you are permanently unconscious or in a terminal condition. This document directs your doctor to administer no life-sustaining treatments under these conditions. You specify whether or not you want intravenous feeding or liquids.

State law (NH RSA 137-J-1 effective January 1, 2007) sets out the forms and signing requirements for Advanced Directives. Advanced Directives must be signed in the presence of a Notary Public or Justice of the Peace or two qualified witnesses. Certain persons, including the attending health care provider and your spouse are not allowed as witnesses. A spouse can be, and often is, named as the health care agent. Trained staff at a hospital, or an attorney, can help you complete advanced directives.

You should provide copies of your advanced directives to your doctor or health care provider to be included in your medical records. Usually, if you are admitted to a hospital, you will be asked if you have prepared advanced directives.

Advanced Directives cover health care decisions only. Your health care agent is not authorized to handle your financial or other general affairs. In order to give such authority to another individual, you must complete another legal document, known as a Durable General Power of Attorney. Without such preparations, guardianship through the Probate Court will be required. ■

## FaithWeaver Program Begins September 12

Join Faith Community Bible Church, 334 North Village Road, for its children's program called FaithWeaver Friends. The program is for all kids, ages 3 up through fifth grade. The group will meet on Wednesdays from 6:30-8 p.m. at the church. If you'd like more information, please call the church, 783-4045. ■

## Ducks 101 — Free Waterfowl Hunting Talk

Discover how rewarding waterfowling in New Hampshire can be at a free talk called "Ducks 101" on Wednesday, September 5, from 7-8:30 p.m. at New Hampshire Fish and Game Department headquarters on Hazen Drive in Concord. The session features Ray Jackson of Buck Gardner Calls and Garret Booth of Grey's Outfitting. No pre-registration is needed — just show up and enjoy!

The session will cover decoys and decoy setups, duck and goose calling, bird identification, retriever training and the use of a dog in general, as well as game preparation and basic equipment needed for waterfowl hunting. Participants will also learn about different methods of waterfowl hunting such as hunting from blinds or from watercraft, field and water hunting, and tactics for "pass and jump" shooting.

Ray Jackson is an avid waterfowl hunter and is on the Pro/Field Staff for Buck Gardner Calls. He has pursued waterfowl for more than 30 years and enjoys bringing waterfowl hunting to new hunters and children.

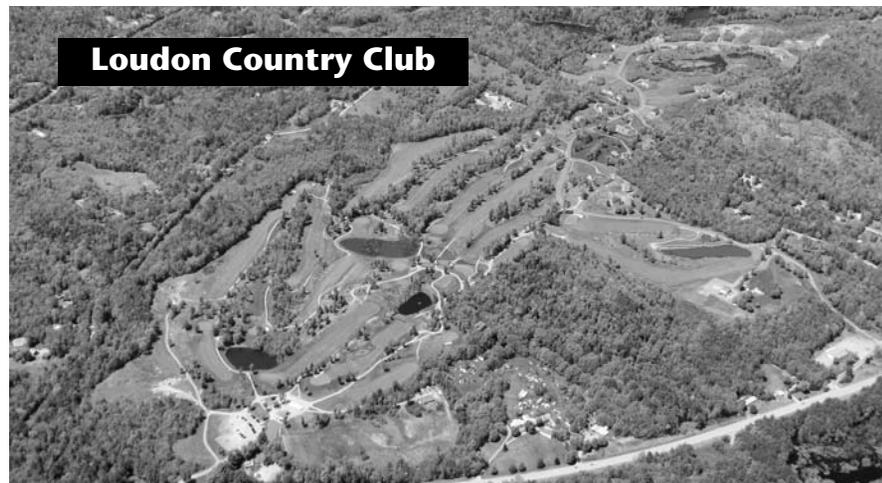
Garret Booth is a licensed New Hampshire Hunting Guide, and is the owner of Grey's Outfitting, a guiding service based in southern New Hampshire. He guides both upland and waterfowl hunts, as well as training hunting dogs, and has done so for fifteen years.

The talk is part of a series of free Wednesday evening hunting talks being offered by Fish and Game this fall featuring hunting experts and Fish and Game biologists. "Come pick up some strategies and get set for some great hunting this fall," says Mark Beauchesne, who is coordinating the talks for Fish and Game.

Find more information on hunting in NH and online license and permit sales, visit [www.HuntNH.com](http://www.HuntNH.com). The New Hampshire Fish and Game Department is the guardian of the state's fish, wildlife and marine resources and their habitats. ■

## In the Air Over Loudon

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## Loudon Police Department News

By Robert N. Fiske, Chief of Police

School is back in session. Please use caution on the roadways. School Street is now two-way North Village Road to Oak Hill Road. The main entrance to the school has been changed somewhat. Be particularly careful of our children going back to school.

I continue to ask the residents to be mindful of the activity that takes place around your home. If something looks suspicious, please do not hesitate to contact us. We are still a neighbor helping neighbor community. A reminder that if you do come home and feel something is out of place, **do not hesitate to contact us**. We would prefer to check out the situation rather than have you walk into a burglary in progress. Many crimes are solved by a concerned citizen reporting "this may be nothing but." Again, do not hesitate to contact us when you go away for extended periods of time so that we may check on your residence. You can stop or call the station, go online to [www.loudonpolice.com](http://www.loudonpolice.com) and click on "leaving home?" and fill in the form or e-mail us at [loudonpd@loudonpolice.com](mailto:loudonpd@loudonpolice.com).

The final major race event should be arriving by the time you receive this edition of the Ledger. I thank the residents for their continued patience and support during these busy times.

As always, if you have any comments or suggestions, please contact me weekdays at 798-5521 or via e-mail at [loudonpd@loudonpolice.com](mailto:loudonpd@loudonpolice.com) or [chieffiske@loudonpolice.com](mailto:chieffiske@loudonpolice.com). ■

**Next Deadline:  
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## Bike Parade Winners



Nick Stuart won in the Non-Bicycle Category with his "tow truck."



The "Best Holiday Themed" winner was Reid Campbell with his version of Rudolph!

## Concord Hospital's "Pedaling for Pennies" Fundraiser Finalizes Cycling Routes

The three cycling routes and the family fun activities are set for the second annual Concord Hospital "Pedaling for Pennies" fundraising event at Rollins Park on Saturday, September 15 beginning at 9 a.m. at Rollins Park in Concord. Bicyclists of all ages and abilities are invited to join First Lady and honorary chair, Dr. Susan Lynch in this event that promotes physical activity and benefits the Gene Gillis Fund at Concord Hospital Payson Center for Cancer Care.

Minimum contributions of 10,000 pennies (\$100) for the 50-mile ride, 5,000 pennies (\$50) for the 25-mile ride and 1,000 pennies (\$10) are requested. The Gene Gillis Fund assists patients in need with out-of-pocket expenses such as transportation costs, prescription expenses, funds for needed nutritional supplements and other items that enhance their quality of life.

The 50-mile and the 25-mile routes take cyclists past the Payson Center to Hopkinton with rest stops featuring food and beverages and back to Concord. A three-mile "Family Fun Ride" is a route that extends to Iron Works Road and back to Concord.

Also at Rollins Park, there will be a cookout for participants and children's activities including face painting, a giant slide and a guest appearance by SpongeBob SquarePants. Raffle tickets to win a Trek 1000 bicycle valued at \$699 and donated by S&W Sports, are \$5 or three for \$10. The drawing will be held on September 15 and proceeds also benefit the Gene Gillis Fund. For more information on how to participate or purchase a raffle ticket, call (603) 225-2711, ext. 3076 or visit Concord Hospital's Web site at [www.concordhospital.org](http://www.concordhospital.org). ■



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## Loudon Dancer Wins National Title



Scottish Lassies team with their trophies, teachers, and owner of Starquest. Lily is seated on the right

Lily Osgood of Loudon and her teammates at Concord Dance Academy competed at the Starquest National Dance Competition in Virginia Beach VA from July 16–21. There were 13 states (NJ, OH, PA, MA, VA, NH, RI, IN, MI, NY, MN, GA, MD) and 38 studios represented at the competition. With over 1000 entries competing in the preliminaries during the week only the top 100 dances would be selected to compete in the “Quest for the Best” to crown the National Winners on Saturday July 21. Six dances from Concord Dance Academy qualified for the honor to compete in the Quest for the Best. Representing Loudon were Lily Osgood age 8 in her ballet teams rendition of “Little Red Riding Hood” as well as her tap dance teams “Scottish Lassies” and Anna Peterson and her team in “Goodbye My Lover.” Lily and her “Scottish Lassies” teammates won not only their division, Large Groups Petite Division (ages 9 and under) but were also awarded the “Apogee Award” which is given to the highest score of the day. Though two Apogee Awards were given, one for the 12 and under division and one for the 13–18 yr old division, “Scottish Lassies” had the distinct honor of receiving the higher of the two scores, crowning them the true National Dance Champions. Congratulations, Lily! ■



Lily in her “Scottish Lassies” costume.



Lily (seated on right) with members of the “Little Red” Ballet team

## Sign Up For Hunter Ed

It's prime time to take a hunter education class. If you're looking to purchase your first hunting license in New Hampshire, you must complete a hunter education course before you can hunt. The New Hampshire Fish and Game Department offers hunter and bowhunter education classes around the state, as well as trapper education. To find a class, visit [www.HuntNH.com](http://www.HuntNH.com) or call (603) 271-3214.

“This is the busy season for hunter education. Don't put it off — if you want to go hunting this fall and need to take a hunter education class, you better sign up soon,” said Tom Flynn, Hunter Education Coordinator for Fish and Game.

The basic Hunter Education course averages about 16 hours of classroom instruction and field experiences, often including firing on a shooting range. Courses are taught by trained, certified volunteer instructors according to national guidelines and state standards. They cover safe firearms handling; wildlife ID; game trailing, recovery and care; hunter ethics; outdoor safety and survival skills; hunting laws; and map and compass skills.

Each year, Fish and Game holds about 130 classes for basic hunter, bowhunter and trapper education around the state, taught by more than 550 trained volunteer instructors. About half of the classes for 2007 have already been completed. More than 3,000 people participate in hunter education each year in New Hampshire.

Hunter Education instruction and course materials are provided free of charge; instructors may charge up to \$5 per student to cover the use of facilities. To receive a certificate of completion in basic hunter education or bowhunter education, participants must be at least 12 years old by the end of the course.

In addition to traditional classes, Fish and Game offers a home-study option for completing the hunter education requirement. This option takes about the same amount of time as a classroom course, but preparation is done at home, then participants attend a required field day involving a written exam and field skills testing. There are specific deadlines for signing up for the home study option, and space is limited. For a list of home study sessions, call (603) 271-3214 or visit the Fish and Game website at [www.wildlife.state.nh.us/Hunting/hunter\\_ed\\_homestudy.htm](http://www.wildlife.state.nh.us/Hunting/hunter_ed_homestudy.htm).

“Over the years, New Hampshire's Hunter Education Program — coupled with the voluntary use of blaze-orange clothing — has dramatically reduced the number of hunting-related firearms incidents in the field,” said Flynn.

Hunter Education courses provided by Fish and Game are funded by the Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Program.

For more information on hunter education in New Hampshire, visit [www.wildlife.state.nh.us/Hunting/hunter\\_ed.htm](http://www.wildlife.state.nh.us/Hunting/hunter_ed.htm). ■

## Beyond Becoming An Outdoors-Woman: Intermediate Fly Fishing Workshop

Time is running out to sign up for the Beyond Becoming an Outdoors-Woman (BOW) Intermediate Fly Fishing Workshop being offered September 28 - 30, 2007, at Purity Spring Resort in Madison, N.H. The weekend costs \$275, which includes meals, lodging, materials and instruction. Participants must be at least 18 years old and must have some fly fishing experience. There are a few spots still available, so don't delay — send in your registration today.

A registration form and course description can be found at the Becoming an Outdoors Woman website at [www.nhbow.com](http://www.nhbow.com), or call (603) 271-3212 to request an application by mail.

The New Hampshire Fish and Game Department's “Let's Go Fishing” and BOW programs are co-sponsoring the intermediate fly-fishing weekend.

Over the past ten years, the Fish and Game Department's “Let's Go Fishing” program has taught thousands of children and adults to be safe, ethical and successful anglers. The program is federally funded through the Sport Fish Restoration Program.

The BOW program is a joint effort between the New Hampshire Wildlife Federation and the New Hampshire Fish and Game Department.

The N.H. Wildlife Federation is a nonprofit group dedicated to ensuring wise use and proper protection for the natural resources of New Hampshire and the U.S. Visit [www.nhwhf.org](http://www.nhwhf.org).

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## Room to Grow

By Jack Prendiville, Century 21 Thompson Real Estate

One of the joys of homeownership is making the structure and surrounding property your own. A lush green lawn and beautiful blooms are a wonderful reward for hours of work in the yard.

But before you invest a lot of time and money into your landscaping, make sure you do your research first. Here are four things to keep in mind when making changes.

- 1. Conditions.** Take time to notice factors like sunlight, rainfall, and soil. The information will be critical when it comes to choosing grass, plants, and trees. The United States is divided into nine zones that help determine what plants will thrive in certain climates and conditions. Knowing what zone you live in can be very helpful.
- 2. Set goals and timelines.** A sure-fire way to get overwhelmed is to tackle too large or too many projects at the same time. Instead choose one task and set a schedule or completion.
- 3. Know yourself.** Think about how much time and energy you want to spend on your home's exterior. It will help you determine if you want a low or high maintenance yard.
- 4. Rely on the experts.** visit local garden centers and use the knowledge of these professionals to help you make the most of your property.

Remember, the exterior of your home says a lot about you and your family. Tending to the outside not only helps the home maintain its value, it can be a great form of exercise and a way for your family to spend time together. ■



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## Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — July 17, 2007

*Present:* Selectman Maxfield, Ives, and Bowles.

*Also present:* Road Agent David Rice.

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

*Selectman Ives moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, July 10, 2007 as presented. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.* Chairman Maxfield state in paragraph III, c, there was a quote made by Bob Fiske that Jean Lee received a 4% pay raise. He stated on page 9 of the Town Report the Office Manager received 3.24%, not 4%. Chairman Maxfield said Office Manager is Jean Lee's primary job. He said that Mrs. Lee received 3.96% as Assistant Welfare Director, which changed her salary from \$1,414.00 to \$1,470.00 or \$56.00 more per

year. Chairman Maxfield said he felt that it was important for clarification on this issue.

The Board met with Road Agent David Rice.

Mr. Rice advised the Board almost all of the drainage is complete on Clough Pond Road and grinding will begin on Monday. He said gravel should be in place and depending on the weather should be ready for asphalt on Thursday. Mr. Rice said it might be next week before Old Shaker Road is complete. Discussion ensued regarding the catch basins and drainage at the intersection of Clough Pond Road and Old Shaker Road.

Mr. Rice stated Tad Flagg did a good job last week dealing with all the washouts.

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Selectman Ives thanked the highway Crew for their assistance with Greenview Drive.

Mr. Rice advised the Board that Glenn White is out for medical reasons and Tom Drouse is back part-time from his surgery.

Selectman Bowles asked if all the culverts on Clough Pond Road and Old Shaker Road have been inspected. Mr. Rice said that there is one more header to be completed. Discussion ensued regarding drainage issues. Selectman Bowles said he wants to be sure that the drainage issues are all addressed and the area where the duplex is located is addressed. He said that it is important to lift the roads in the area of culverts. Discussion continued on catch basins. Mr. Rice advised the Board that he had spoken with Chris George regarding the location of his driveway.

Selectman Bowles stated he still has concerns regarding the embankment on Berry Road at Ms. Maratea's property. He said the contractor has done what he could to fix the issues, however, since it was not done properly from the beginning, he still has concerns. Discussion ensued regarding washouts and drainage issues.

Selectman Ives asked if Mr. Rice had reviewed his copies of information regarding Cross Brook and Chichester Road Bridge projects as well as a memo from Judy Huston regarding Berry Road. Mr. Rice said he had not been in to get his mail today.

Mr. Rice advised the Board that Mr. Minery would be working on brush cutting once he returns from vacation. Chairman Maxfield asked about the culvert across from Mr. Minery's house. Mr. Rice said he would check it out.

Selectman Ives asked Mr. Rice about putting some pavement at the end of the entrance to the Town Office Building. Mr. Rice said the whole parking lot needs to be paved.

Chairman Maxfield stated he wanted a motion to release the bond on Ms. Maratea's property on Berry Road. He said he knows that the Board does not like it completely, but it is going to be the way it is. *Selectman Ives moved to release the bond for Dee Maratea's driveway on Berry Road. Seconded by Chairman Maxfield.* Selectman Bowles said he feels this should be a lesson learned for everyone that driveways of this nature need to be tended to and if the developer/property owner is not going to do what they are required to do, the Town has the authority and needs to shut the construction down. He said if an engineered plan is what is needed then that is what will be required. Selectman Ives stated he wanted to be sure that the new owners of the second house need to be aware that they are going

to be responsible for the water coming off the property, that it comes down their driveway and causes problems on Berry Road. Selectman Ives said it is not done right but the Town is going to have to deal with it. Chairman Maxfield said as unbelievable as it is, they were lots of record, and Ms. Maratea received permission to build up there even with the tremendous slope. *Majority vote in favor. Motion carried.* Chairman Maxfield said he had received a phone call from the company who holds the bond on Ms. Maratea's property wanting to know who was going to be paying the bond to continue to be in place, as Ms. Maratea has not continued her payment with the company. He said that he advised the bond company that it was Ms. Maratea's responsibility.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received copies of the payment from NHIS for the Nextel Cup Fire Department Special Detail in the amount of \$42,781.75.

The Board received background information from the 2007–2008 budget preparation regarding the hourly rate increases along with the January 16, 2007 Budget Hearing minutes relative to the statement that the salary increases were 3.25%.

The Board received information regarding special duty rates for Lt. Krieger. It was noted that time and a half pay for overtime would now put Lt. Krieger a few cents over the \$37.00 per hour rate for special duty pay. Based on US Dept. of Labor rule 29CFR553.227 as long as Lt. Krieger's special detail hours are voluntary and not part of his regular shift, he would be exempt from the time and a half rule.

The Board received a request from Town Counsel for payment of escrow fees for pending litigation. Chairman Maxfield stated this is in reference to the agreement that the Board made to allow Attorney Mayer to contract with an outside attorney for the Alvin Davis litigation.

The Board received information from the NH Charitable Foundation on the Francis E. Tewksbury Memorial Fund that has been set up for the Loudon Fire Department.

The Board received copies of a letter of appreciation from Robert Levan regarding the excellent job by Lifeguard Lisa Halterman and the facilities at the Town Beach.

The Board received a copy of a letter sent to Conservation Commission Chairman Julie Robinson regarding the Lake Host Program.

The Board received copies of an e-mail to DES from Engineer Judy Houston regarding the Berry Road drainage issues and the response from DES with their requirements.

The Board received a request from Alvin Davis to remove "Brown's Lane" from the tax map as "Brown's Lane" was voted to be discontinued at the March 2002 Town Meeting. The Board agreed that "Brown's Lane" could be removed from the 2008 Town of Loudon Tax Maps.

The Board received a letter from Michael Harris regarding NHIS.

The Board received NHIS Scholarship thank you notes from Samantha Robinson and Lyford Merrow IV.

The Board reviewed past due ambulance bills. *Selectman Bowles moved to forward past due ambulance bill account #35124 in the amount of \$510.10, account #35042 in the amount of \$510.10, account #12900 in the amount of \$83.07, account #34610 in the amount of \$544.60, account t #725 in the amount of \$118.60, and account #29547 in the amount of \$807.63 to collections. Seconded by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Motion carried.*

The Board received the Department of Revenue Administration newsletter. It was noted that Loudon is up for assessment review by DRA in 2008.

The Board received notification of upcoming meetings regarding the establishment of a non-emergency transportation system to assist the NH Employment program.

Chairman Maxfield read the public notice relative to the request for bids for the structural supports and foundation repair of the Town Office. He stated all of the contractors bidding on the project had the specifications so they are aware of what they are bidding on.

Chairman Maxfield opened the following bids:

E. Guimond Construction, 103 Knox Road, Bow, NH in the amount of \$38,000.00.

DCS Construction Co. Chocorua P O Box 86, Chocorua, NH in the amount of \$12,800.00.

Howard Gasset Carpentry, 7299 Currier Road, Loudon, NH in the amount of \$8,690.00 with any additional work at a rate of \$40.00 per hour.

Target New England, 185 ?? Road, Wolfeboro, NH in the amount of \$23,600.00 with a 10% discount on the proposal they submitted on June 18, 2007 for a new price of \$21,240.00.

Discussion ensued regarding being sure that each bid included costs for the entire scope of work. Selectman Ives will contact references for DCS Construction Co., as the Board does not know the company. *Selectman Bowles moved to take the bids under advisement and to perform background checks prior to awarding the bid at next weeks meeting. Seconded by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Motion carried.*

The Board recognized Brenda Pearl from the audience.

Mrs. Pearl asked the Board why the Selectmen chose not to give her the raise she anticipated getting. Chairman Maxfield asked Mrs. Pearl what she had anticipated for a raise. Mrs. Pearl stated 4%. Selectman Bowles said he does not know where the percentages came from. Mrs. Pearl said she received a list from the Town Office. Selectman Bowles said he was unaware of the list Mrs. Pearl was referencing. He said during the work session budget negotiations there was no discussion of a 4% increase for any employee. Mrs. Pearl asked why the Town Report listed that she would be getting 4%, or 3.99%? Chairman Maxfield said the Board gave the Office Manager copies of all the documentation received during the budget review process. He said that Selectman Bowles had stated during the Budget Hearing, the COLA would be 3.25% except for Officers and one other. Mrs. Pearl said she guessed that she was not the "one other." Selectman Bowles said that no, she was not, and it was not his decision to give the "one other" the increase. Mrs. Pearl stated she had two issues. One is that the information went to the budget hearing, it's in the Town Report. She said that she attended the Budget Hearing and there was no discussion about it. Mrs. Pearl said that she went to Town Meeting and voted on the budget as it is printed in the Town Report and voted on the budget as a resident and now the raises that were in there are not the raises that were received. She said her second issue is that yes, the Selectmen are the ultimate bosses, but she has a superior in the department that she works and he felt that she should be rewarded slightly, very slightly for a job well done, but the Board nixed that. Selectman Bowles said that he was not begrudging anyone deserving of a raise, and that Mrs. Pearl does an outstanding job; however, what was presented to the Board in December, when he specifically asked the question relative to raises, is not what is being presented now. He said there is no way he is going to battle now for what is being presented as raises. Those issues should have been negotiated a long time ago. Selectman Bowles said what Mr. Fiske represented to the Board during the budget workshops was that the fulltime Officers would be getting \$2.00 more per hour and the part-time Officers would be elevated to a flat rate of \$14.00 per hour and represented that he was planning to hire another Officer. Mrs. Pearl said she does not know anything about that, and she believes Mr. Fiske was not asking for \$2.00 more per hour for her. Selectman Bowles said he knows that he didn't. Mrs. Pearl said she is only talking about what she was led to believe. Chairman

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Maxfield stated the three Selectmen take their notes during the budget workshops exactly as the information is presented to them. He said it was discussed that the increases were for the Officers and the rest was for a new hire, now it is being presented that all that money is for all of these raises, which is not how it was presented to the Board. Selectman Bowles said he wants to see the paperwork that shows all of these percentages that were approved during negotiations. He said the piece of paper presented to the Board last week was supposedly in the Selectmen's booklets, but is not in the booklets. Selectman Bowles went on to say the information was never presented to the Selectmen that showed the individual percentages, all the Board received was a piece of paper that showed the bottom line for the Police Department was going up this much and Code Enforcement was going up this much. He said there was no explanation whatsoever. Selectman Bowles said where the piece of paper the Mr. Fiske presented last week came from, he has no idea, as it was never presented to the Board during budget season. He said that he would continue to look at his information, and if in fact the Board has made an error, he will personally step up to the plate and make the correction. Chairman Maxfield said he is absolutely clear on what he heard during the discussions. He said all three Selectmen are clear; there is no question in his mind. Selectman Ives said one thing was presented to the Board and another thing presented to Mrs. Pearl and that is the bottom line. Mrs. Pearl stated in light of this discussion she has her resignation, not to her Code Enforcement position as she feels that Mr. Fiske has gone to bat for her to try and get her a tiny bit of a raise, but she is resigning from the Zoning Board, as Trustee of the Trust Funds, and the Scholarship Committee. Chairman Maxfield said he feels very bad but does not feel there is anything else to do but except Mrs. Pearl's resignation. Selectman Bowles said he does not want to accept the resignation, but does not feel there is any other choice. He said he feels that the Board deals with what is represented to them, at the present time there is some sort of miscommunication and it is reflect-

ing on the Board, and is causing Mrs. Pearl a lot of turmoil. Selectman Bowles went on to say that, nobody seems to understand there is series of hearings and department heads come and represent what they want to do. He said that is what the Board stands by, when the Selectmen are at Town Meeting, the information from those meetings are in their minds. If a discussion breaks out as to why the Board is doing something, they go back to the information from the meetings with department heads to explain to the Town's people. Selectman Bowles said the Board makes corrections along the way during the Public Hearings. He discussed the adjustment made during the budget hearings relative to the Treasurer's line and said it was an issue that was never discussed during the budget workshops and not brought to the Selectmen's attention until the budget hearing where it was adjusted. Chairman Maxfield said there was also a correction to the Transfer Station Managers hourly rate, which was done at the budget hearing.

Selectman Ives said Chief Fiske never brought up anything to do with raises for Administration, it was strictly regarding fulltime, and part-time Police Officers everything else discussed was 3.25%. He said if Mr. Fiske had brought it up, it would have been discussed, but it was never brought up. Chairman Maxfield said it is unfortunate, but all of the documentation given to the Board during the budget process is kept at the Town Office. Selectman Ives advised Mrs. Pearl that the Selectmen cannot accept the resignation for the Zoning Board or the Trustees of the Trust Funds, but will accept it for the Scholarship Committee. He said he wished Mrs. Pearl would reconsider, but if her mind were made up then the Board would have to stand by her decision. Chairman Maxfield noted that Mrs. Pearl did say that she would continue to do her job with Chief Fiske to the best of her ability. He said as far as the Scholarship Committee goes, the Selectmen have been pleased that she has been part of

the Committee as she keeps the Committee in line. Selectman Ives said if Mrs. Pearl reconsiders, to let the Board know. Selectman Bowles said he has not seen anything directly from anyone asking specifically for a 4% increase for Mrs. Pearl. He said he knows that Mrs. Pearl does an outstanding job and talked about when she took over as Secretary of the Planning and Zoning Office. The Board reviewed a spreadsheet relative to pay increases.

Roy Merrill was recognized from the audience. He discussed his concerns and feelings relative to pay raises and the history of pay issues.

*Selectman Ives moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:09 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Meeting adjourned.*

**THE LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

*Roger A. Maxfield, Chairman*

*Steven R. Ives, Selectman*

*Dustin J. Bowles, Selectman*

**Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — July 24, 2007**

*Present:* Selectman Maxfield, Ives, and Bowles.

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

*Selectman Bowles moved to accept the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, July 17, 2007 as presented. Seconded by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Motion carried.*

Chairman Maxfield called for a moment of silence in honor of former Selectman Raymond Cummings who passed away on July 22, 2007.

Chairman Maxfield stated for the record that three pistol permits were submitted for signature and approval.

Chairman Maxfield discussed the structural bids received for the work to be done at the Town Office Building. Selectman Ives stated that he had called around for references on DCS Construction and it appears there had been some issues with a project they worked on in Old Orchard Beach Maine. *Selectman Ives moved to accept the proposal from Howard Gasset Carpentry,*

*7299 Currier Road, Loudon, in the amount of \$8,690.00 with any additional work at a cost of \$40.00 per hour for the structural support and foundation repair of the Loudon Town Office Building. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. Chairman Maxfield stated this was the low bid received and it was approximately \$4,000.00 lower than the others were. All in favor. Motion carried.*

Chairman Maxfield stated that the Highway Department has been working on Clough Pond Road and Old Shaker Road. He said they have started grinding the tar and placing gravel this week. Selectman Bowles will be checking on manholes on Wednesday.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received copies of a letter to Dave Rice from the Library Trustees regarding drainage issues at the Library. Chairman Maxfield stated, Mr. Rice is aware of the issue and will be working on it when they have time.

The Board received a memo from Deputy Fire Chief Rick Wright regarding an oil spill at Pleasant View Gardens.

The Board received copies of the June ESMI Compliance Report for review.

The Board received copies of the July Planning Board draft minutes. Chairman Maxfield asked what the discussion was regarding the property on the corner of Route 106 and Route 129. Selectman Bowles stated there were several options that were discussed. He stated that it appears some additional acreage will be purchased from an abutter.

The Board received copies of a memo sent to all Departments regarding the Annual Audit.

The Board received a newsletter from Councilor Shea, District 2.

The Board received notification that complaints have been received at the Town Office regarding the tree cutting along Clough Pond Road. Discussion ensued. The Board will talk with the Road Agent regarding the cleanup of the trees.

The Board received a copy of a petition to the FCC by Comcast regarding cable rates. Loudon is named in the petition.

The Board received a notice of upcoming grant applications.

*Selectman Bowles moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:57 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Meeting adjourned.*

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Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — July 31, 2007

Present: Selectman Maxfield, Ives, and Bowles.

Also present: Fire Chief Jeff Burr and Police Chief and Code Enforcement/Compliance Officer Bob Fiske.

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

Selectman Ives moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, July 24, 2007 as presented. Seconded by Selectman Bowles. All in favor. Motion carried.

The Board met with Fire Chief Jeff Burr.

Chief Burr stated he has not heard anything regarding the dry hydrant at the Village Dam and asked if the Board was aware of an anticipated date for work to begin. The Board stated it was their understanding that the work would begin in August after the water dropped off. Selectman Bowles said he has not heard anything about the work on the pipe; however, he knows that they need to finish the original work. The Board will contact RM Piper regarding the remaining work to be done at the Village Dam.

Chief Burr provided the Board with copies of certificates of continuing education from The Local Government Center.

The Board met with Police Chief and Code Enforcement/Compliance Officer Bob Fiske.

Chairman Maxfield stated one pistol permit was submitted for signature and approval.

Mr. Fiske read the following and asked that it be included into the minutes:

Subject: Minutes of 07/17/07: FACTS: Deadline for budget was 11/17/06. It was submitted on time. Work session for my budget was 12/01/06 — lasted for 60 minutes. Present: Chairman Bowles, Selectman Ives, Selectman Maxfield, myself.

1. Selectmen Bowles stated during work session budget negotiations that there was no discussion of a 4% increase for "any" employee.

2. In the minutes dated 07/17/07, Selectman Bowles stated increases were not what are being presented now. Code Enforcement line stated 3.99%. Police line stated 4.55%. It is in fact what was presented and it's the same bottom line now with the exception of the added money by the Selectmen.

3. Selectman Bowles said I represented that I was planning to hire another officer (clearly, on the paperwork submitted on 12/01/06 to the Selectmen is where the "vacant" position for ft officer was explained and addressed along with the pay increases (copy enclosed).

4. Chairman Maxfield said all three Selectmen take their notes during budget workshops EXACTLY as the information is presented to them. (I wonder if these notes are available). It was stated by Selectman Maxfield that the increases were for the officers and the rest was for a new hire — clearly it was not for a new hire — only to fill a vacant position which showed the same increases as everyone else. That would not have been noticed, other than being shown on the pay spreadsheet.

5. Selectman Bowles stated that the information was never presented to the Selectmen that showed individual percentages and that all the Board received was a piece of paper that showed the bottom line for the PD was going up this much and Code Enforcement was going up this much. He said there was no explanation whatsoever. I reiterate that the budget workshop lasted 60 minutes which was so indicated on my time sheet. There would have had to been some explanation. I submit that the bottom line indicated 4.55% and 3.99% respectively. Also, on 12/29/06 a five page fax sheet was sent to the town office regarding a \$9,250.00 request for computer equipment which was suggested by Selectman Bowles and subsequently added to the operating budget by the Selectmen.

6. In regards to Mrs. Pearl, the proposed budget that was subsequently approved at Town Meeting and the increase that was authorized afterwards, by the Selectmen, was a difference of negative .09% in my opinion this is unjust.

7. Chairman Maxfield said he is absolutely clear on what he heard during the discussions and there was no question in his mind. I contend that I am equally clear and furthermore it's so indicated in the written documentation submitted.

8. Selectman Bowles stated, according to Chairman Maxfield that during the budget hearing the COLA would be 3.25% except for officers and one other. None of my budget preparation figures were changed from 12/01/06 except for the Selectmen adding more money. The annual report states and shows the Welfare Assistant under Welfare, is 3.96%, Code Enforcement & Health is 3.99%, the Secretary at Planning & Zoning is 0% but was subsequently authorized by Selectmen for 4%.

9. Selectman Ives stated that I never brought up anything to do with raises for administration, it was strictly regarding full time and part-time police officers and everything else discussed was 3.25% even though Selectman Bowles stated that there was no explanation whatsoever. In my opinion I feel that's incorrect, particularly with the approved 4.55% increase on the PD budget and 3.99% on the Code Enforcement budget as submitted.

Employee	Salary/Hourly (Weekly)	Annual Hours (43 Hours/Week)	\$2.00/Hr.	Effective 7/1/07
ROBERT N. FISKE, CHIEF	31.30	1040	32.55	33,852.00
JANICE J. MORIN	17.04	2080	19.04	39,603.20
ROBERT P. KRIEGER, LT.	23.08	2080	25.08	52,166.40
SETH F. PLUMER	16.97	2236	18.97	42,416.92
ROBERT S. AKERSTROM	16.97	2236	18.97	42,416.92
JASON S. FISKE	16.97	2236	18.97	42,416.92
NATHAN S. TAYLOR	15.87	2236	17.87	39,957.32
F/T PATROLMAN	15.87	2236	17.87	39,957.32
<b>TOTAL REG. SALARIES</b>				<b>332,787.00</b>
<b>PART-TIME</b>				<b>12,012.00</b>
<b>TOTAL P/T WAGES</b>				<b>12,012.00</b>
<i>2 shifts/wk=16 hrs @ \$14/hr</i>				
<b>PART-TIME SECRETARY WAGES</b>				
BRENDA PEARL	11.14	120		1,336.80
<b>TOTAL P/T SECRETARY WAGES</b>				<b>1,336.80</b>

Selectman Bowles stated that the "E-Pod" for electronic recycling has been shipped out. He said that the weight was 10,000 lbs. Selectman Bowles went on to say that the 10,000 lbs is tonnage that is not sent to Penacook, which helps keep the GAT down. The Board said Steve Bennett is doing an excellent job at the Transfer Station.

The Board met with Mr. Samuel Schneider regarding the maintenance of the cul-de-sac on Ilona Lane.

Mr. Schneider stated that there is a grassy area at the cul-de-sac on Ilona Lane that he feels the Highway Department should be mowing and maintaining. He said that he has spoken with the Road Agent on different occasions through out the years and was told that the mowing would be taken care of and it has not. Mr. Schneider gave a history of his work record and stated he felt that he knows what he is talking about. He said he believes that the Road Agent is not getting the job done. Chairman Maxfield said the Board would speak with Mr. Rice to look into the situation. He said that generally the roadside mowing is done once per year with the Highway Department mowing the Recreation Fields and Town property through out the season. Chairman Maxfield stated there are approximately five cul-de-sacs in the Town of Loudon. Selectman Bowles stated that cul-de-sacs are fairly new to Loudon and it has not been common practice to mow them weekly or monthly. He said it should be annually and he knows that not all of the roads have been mowed completely in approximately 4 years. Mr. Schneider said he figures there is approximately \$40,000.00 in taxes from Ilona Lane. Selectman Bowles said the Town of Loudon only sees 9% of that tax revenue, the remainder of it goes to the County and Education; however, the Selectmen will look into this issue and speak with Mr. Rice. Mr. Schneider said that he has cut the brush back and mowed, and broke his mower. He also stated that this past winter, the plow pushed back the dirt and he had to reseed to get the grass back. Selectman Bowles said the plow probably had to push back the snow due to drifting issues. Discussion ensued regarding the Town's right-of-way and volunteering.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board talked about a road inspection on Thursday as well as the Highway Department working on the Library parking lot.

The Board received copies of a letter received from the Maxfield Library Trustees requesting transfer of appropriated funds so that they can process their own accounts payables. The Board will address this issue later in the meeting.

The Board received copies of RSA 202-A: 11 – Powers and Duties of Library Trustees for their review.

The Board received copies of the Public Office Bonding schedule from The Local Government Center Property Liability Trust.

The Board received confidential correspondence regarding pending litigation.

The Board received the revised plan from Judy Houston regarding the Berry Road drainage issue.

The Board received copies of the July 26, 2007 draft Zoning Board minutes, July 26, draft Zoning Board work session minutes, and the July 28, 2007 Zoning Board draft site walk minutes for review.

The Board received the Loudon Street Light Inventory from PSNH. The Board reviewed the list and will check for a light pole at the Town Hall on Clough Hill Road.

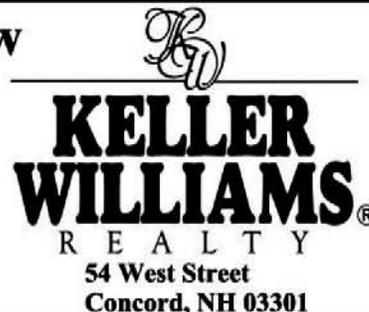
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The Board received notice of a pricing increase from Comcast.

The Board reviewed past due ambulance bills. Discussion ensued regarding the ambulance coverage and agreement with Chichester. *Selectman Bowles moved to forward past due ambulance account #21406 in the amount of \$589.80, account #9428 in the amount of \$320.80, account #36012 in the amount of \$239.50, and account #35987 in the amount of \$228.26 to collections. Seconded by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Motion carried.*

The Board received copies of the June property transfers for review.

The Board received a memo from Office Manager Jean Lee regarding her vacation request. The Board approved the request.

The Board received copies of the upcoming road maintenance workshops.

Mr. Samuel Schneider was recognized from the audience. Mr. Schneider asked if the ambulance bills were checked to see if the patients had insurance. Selectman Ives said that the Town has a billing service that processes the accounts, when a patient has no insurance, cannot pay the bill, or moves away, the bills are sent to collections. Chairman Maxfield stated by utilizing the billing service it has cut down on the Small Claims cases.

The Board began their discussion regarding the request by the Maxfield Library Trustees for the transfer of appropriated funds so that they can process their own accounts payables. Selectman Ives thanked Selectman Bowles for contacting Attorney Mayer. Chairman Maxfield stated the Board had received a letter from the Maxfield Library Trustees requesting that the Selectmen forward their appropriated funds in quarterly payments directly to the

Library with the exception of salaries. The total amount appropriated for the Library is \$186,898.00 of which salaries/wages total \$124,548.00 leaving \$62,350.00, or \$15,587.50 per quarter. Selectman Bowles said the response from Attorney Mayer highlights many different points, but the RSA that is referenced says "a payment schedule as agreed to by the Library Trustees and the Selectmen or City Counsel" does not mean that the Library Trustees can demand that the Selectmen just hand them a check. He said the RSA states that the two parties need to come to an agreement. Selectman Bowles went on to say the Selectmen's Office has not received any bills from the Library since July 1, 2007 and feels that the Trustees have been planning this for a while. He said that the Board has asked the Library Trustees to come and meet with the Selectmen for a while with no response from the Trustees. Selectman Bowles said he does not feel by refusing to meet with the Selectmen they are being team players and that Attorney Mayer strongly recommends that the Board not agree to this request. Selectman Ives said that he agreed with what Selectman Bowles said. He went on to say that while the Board cannot tell the Library Trustees how to spend that money, the Selectmen oversee how the money is being spent. If the Library is paying their bills directly, there will be no check and balance in place. Selectman Ives said he felt it would be better liability wise to have another set of eyes looking at those bills. Chairman Maxfield noted that the Library Trustees want the Town to continue paying salaries. Selectman Ives said that until the Town had a fulltime Fire Chief there was a Fire Board that double-checked all the bills before they were submitted to the Selectmen's Office to be paid. That way there was checks and balances in place. He went on to say that, he does not feel it is a

good idea to give the Library a quarterly payment as it could interrupt the Town's cash flow. Selectman Bowles stated that if the quarterly payments are due during a time where the Town does not have the money to cover the payment it may mean that the Town would have to look at borrowing money to cover the payment and the Selectmen do not have the authority to borrow money without the Town's vote. He said that the Library had been submitting their bills and the bills were being paid weekly so that cash flow was not an issue. With a lump sum payment there could be issues and he feels that this is an issue that the Town's people should vote on it. Chairman Maxfield stated the opinion of Town Counsel includes a section that says "Town's in NH handle Library Funds in different ways. This is normally by agreement of the Library Trustees and the governing body (the Selectmen shall manage the prudential affairs of the Town and perform the duties by law prescribed)." Selectman Ives said the only knowledge of another town's library system is Bow, as his brother is a Library Trustee there. He said the Bow Library handles all their own bills, payroll, and insurance. Bow has their own accountant and are completely separated from the Town. Selectman Ives went on to say the system in Bow was not done over night. It was setup over time. Selectman Bowles said he feels the Capital Reserve Funds are being overlooked where the Selectmen are the authorized agents as set forth by the voters. He said there are systems in place and does not feel the Library Trustees demand needs to be fulfilled in this way. Selectman Bowles said the Trustees wouldn't even come in and talk with the Selectmen. Selectman Ives said the bottom line is that the Trustees need to come in and have a conversation with the Board. The meeting has to be a duly noticed meeting that is open to the public. The

Board agreed not to have the Attorney prepare a response at this time so the Board can ask the Library Trustees again to meet and discuss the issues as Loudon is still a small town and there is no reason that this discussion cannot take place. The Board stated they do not want to spend taxpayer's money for the Attorney to prepare a response if it can be helped. Selectman Bowles stated the Board has asked the Library Trustees to meet with the Board before and the Library Trustees responded by sending a letter to the Board stating that the Selectmen can go to the Library and meet with the Trustees as they meet on Tuesday nights. He said the Selectmen also meet on Tuesday nights and does not feel that it is appropriate for the Selectmen's Meeting to be cancelled or rescheduled because the Library Trustees are refusing to meet with the Board. The Board will draft a letter requesting that the Library Trustees meet with the Selectmen at a Selectmen's Meeting.

*Selectman Bowles moved to enter into executive session to discuss an attorney client privileged communication at 7:30 PM. Seconded by Selectman Ives. Roll call p.m.: Maxfield yes, Ives yes, Bowles yes. All in favor. Motion carried.* The Board came out of executive session. Chairman Maxfield stated the results of the executive session are that the Board discussed an attorney client privileged communication and the Board knows what they want to do with the attorney.

*Selectman Bowles moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Meeting adjourned.*

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## Selectmen's Meeting Minutes — August 7, 2007

*Present:* Selectman Maxfield, Ives, and Bowles.

*Also present:* Road Agent David Rice.

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

*Selectman Ives moved to approve the Selectmen's Meeting Minutes of Tuesday, July 31, 2007 as presented. Seconded by Selectman Bowles.* Selectman Ives said he has approved the Minutes as presented because that is what was said during the meeting; however, he does not agree with everything Mr. Fiske put in the Minutes as being totally accurate. Selectman Bowles said that he agreed with Selectman Ives. Chairman Maxfield said he also does not agree with all of the statements Mr. Fiske made. *All in favor. Motion carried.*

The Board met with Road Agent David Rice.

Mr. Rice discussed the silt issue at Clough Pond near Polly Touzin's property. He discussed using the excavator and a silt fence. Ms. Touzin asked about the silt fence. Mr. Rice said that the fence is placed into the water so the silt does not flow back into the water while they are working. Ms. Touzin asked if Judy Houston would be present during the work on the pond. The Board said that yes, Ms. Houston would be overseeing the project, but that she would probably not be present for the entire time. Ms. Touzin asked about her dock relative to the silt that has accumulated under it and asked if it were going to be removed and replaced. Discussion ensued regarding the dock. The Selectmen stated if they can move the dock without destroying it, they will or they will try to scoop out the silt without moving the dock. Ms. Touzin asked when the work would begin. Mr. Rice said as soon as the excavator becomes available. Ms. Touzin asked if Mr. Rice felt the catch basin would fix the problem of the silt going into the water. Mr. Rice stated, with the two catch basins it should stop the sand from going to the pond. Ms. Touzin said a lot of the water is going over the road and is concerned that the ditching may not fix the problem. Chairman Maxfield said that an engineered plan has been drawn up to mitigate the problem. Mr. Rice will contact Ms. Houston when he is ready to begin the work.

Mr. Rice advised the Board that the Highway Crew had been out working on road washout issues.

Chairman Maxfield stated he went to 132 Piper Hill Road as he had received a phone call regarding the crack between the road and driveway. Discussion ensued regarding culverts.

Selectman Ives asked about the brush cleanup on Clough Pond Road. Discussion ensued regarding using the pole saw and picking up the branches along the side of the road.

Discussion ensued regarding issues with culverts under driveways and that property owners are responsible for maintaining those culverts. Mr. Rice will make copies of the RSA and hand them out to property owners when dealing with culvert issues. He also stated that he would submit the RSA into the *Loudon Ledger* so people will be made aware of their responsibility.

Selectman Ives asked about driveway issues on Route 129. Mr. Rice stated that driveway issues on State Roads needed to be addressed with John Pillsbury, out of the Gilford DOT Office.

*Selectman Bowles moved to enter into executive session to discuss a Highway Department personnel issue at 6:45 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Ives. Roll call vote: Maxfield yes, Ives yes, Bowles yes. Motion*

*carried.* Chairman Maxfield stated the result of the executive session was discussion regarding a personnel issue.

The Board began their review of weekly correspondence.

The Board received information from The Local Government Center regarding overtime compensation relative to Police Officers and overtime after 43 hours.

The Board received a request from a Highway Department employee for Family Medical Leave.

The Board received a notice for a Budget and Finance Workshop.

The Board received a memo from Fire Chief Jeff Burr regarding the dry hydrant at the Village Dam. Chairman Maxfield stated RM Piper dug down and placed insulation around the pipe for the dry hydrant.

The Board discussed the August 3, 2007 correspondence from the Maxfield Library Trustees. Chairman Maxfield stated the Board is waiting for correspondence from Town Counsel regarding this issue. Selectman Bowles said it is unfortunate that the Trustees continue to not find time to sit down with the Selectmen to discuss the issues. He said he is appalled at the demands that are being sent to the Board, he feels it is not proper to demand that the Board does what the Trustees want. Selectman Bowles went on to say that, he feels the RSA clearly states there is to be a negotiated agreement between the Selectmen and Library Trustees. Selectman Ives said he totally agrees with Selectman Bowles and feels it is in the best interest of the Town to stay the course that has been decided upon. Selectman Bowles stated he does not like the allegations that are being made; that the pay increases they are demanding are not the pay increases that were agreed upon last December. He said some of the increases are much more than the 3.25% that they were advised they were getting. Chairman Maxfield stated the Trustees might be asking now for what they wanted during budget time. He said it would be so simple for them to just come in and discuss what they want with the Selectmen. Chairman Maxfield went on to say that RSA 201-A: 11-3 says "pursuant to a payment schedule as agreed upon by the Library Trustees and the Selectmen." He said the Library Trustees sent the Board a letter that basically said send us the money we're authorized to pay our annual bills. Selectman Bowles stated the Board sent the Trustees a letter asking them to please forward their bills as has been done in the past and they will be paid on time. He said it is a little difficult for the Town to pay the bills when the Library holds on to those bills. Chairman Maxfield stated the Library was built in 1907 and the system in place has worked for 100 years.

The Board received a letter from Michael Harris regarding his concerns for leaded gasoline at NHIS. The Board stated there are laws in affect preventing leaded gasoline use. A memo will be forwarded to Mr. Harris. Discussion ensued regarding Mr. Harris previously advising the Board that he would not be contacting them regarding NHIS any longer, and yet he still is. Selectman Ives said Mr. Harris advised the Board that he would not meet with the Board in person; it had nothing to do with written correspondence.

The Board received copies of the NHIS payment for Police Special Events July Nextel Cup Race in the amount of \$214,774.61.

The Board received a response regarding the question of the outside light at the Town Hall. The light is not part of the municipal

street light inventory and is billed on the Town Hall electric bill each month.

The Board received correspondence regarding the Davis litigation as well as correspondence regarding the Baillargeon litigation.

The Board received an e-mail and response regarding cemetery maintenance.

The Board received a copy of a driveway permit for Dee Dee Maratea on Map 58 Lot 20. Discussion ensued regarding the lot merger with Map 58 Lot 19.

The Board received a thank you card from the Cummings family.

The Board received a Scholarship thank you from Victoria Brocius.

The Board received the final Legislative Bulletin of the 2007 season.

The Board received a notice of a Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant Program.

Chairman Maxfield stated he felt that the Library Trustees needed to be sure that the bills are forwarded to the Town Office for payment. Selectman Bowles said the bills need to be paid in a timely manner and the Board had sent written correspondence requesting that the bills be submitted immediately. Chairman Maxfield stated he would contact the Library on Wednesday.

*Selectman Bowles moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m. Seconded by Selectman Ives. All in favor. Meeting adjourned.*

THE LOUDON BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Roger A. Maxfield, Chairman

Steven R. Ives, Selectman

Dustin J. Bowles, Selectman

## Planning Board Minutes — July 19, 2007

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

### Attendance:

Chairman Tom Dow, Tom Moore, Vice Chairman Stanley Prescott, Steve Jackson, Ex-Officio Dustin Bowles, and Alternates Bob Ordway and Jeff Green were present.

Alternate Jeff Green was appointed to sit in the absence of member Gary Tasker.

Bob Butler was present to represent the Conservation Commission.

### Acceptance of Minutes:

**May 17, 2007 — Public Hearing.** Henry Huntington made a motion to accept the minutes as written; seconded by Dustin Bowles. All were in favor.

**June 21, 2007 — Public Hearing.** Tom Moore made a motion to accept the minutes as written; seconded by Steve Jackson. All were in favor.

**July 10, 2007 — Site Walk, Rattee property, School Street.** Dustin Bowles made a motion to approve the minutes; seconded by Stan Prescott. All were in favor.

### Discussions:

**North Country Development** — Craig St. Peter stated that he is with the engineering firm representing the development company that is proposing some work at property located at the corner of Routes 129 and 106, the Harry Hill Estate property, Map 30, Lot 23. Mr. St. Peter explained that they are proposing to do a lot line adjustment with Harry MacLauchlan. He said that

the lot is 1.5 acres and they will purchase an additional 1.2 acres from Mr. MacLauchlan. Mr. St. Peter stated that both lots would then comply with zoning acreage and frontage requirements. He said he would like some feedback from the Board about the requirement of a maximum of 50% impermeable coverage. He showed a small triangular area between the properties that would help meet the requirement and asked if the Board would be opposed to that kind of geometry or if they would accept 51% versus 50%. There was discussion and the Board members agreed that they did not like the irregular line created by the sliver.

Mr. St. Peter showed colored plans of four options that they are working on for the property. **Option 1:** Retail, a little less than 15,000 square feet; proposed with a drive-through as they have two tenants looking at this option and one has the need for a drive-through. Mr. St. Peter explained that this property would have a curb cut on Route 129 approximately 100' east of the Fox Pond Plaza entrance and would have a connector to the car wash property. He asked if impact fees apply to commercial property. The Board stated that they do not apply to commercial. He asked if the Board would want a traffic study, noting that there must have been one done with the recent signal changes and improvements at the intersection. Henry Huntington said that he would

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want to see the flow where the driveway is so close to Route 106. Steve Jackson asked if the elevation of the property would change. Mr. St. Peter stated that they would bring it down and he explained that the parcel is ideal for development since there is no wet and the soils perc well. He said the project would be fully landscaped, including ample green space. Stan Prescott suggested that Mr. St. Peter look at the Route 106 Corridor Study that is available at the office. **Option 2:** Restaurant with drive-through and a convenience store with fuel pumps. Mr. St. Peter explained that they have met with the state on the wells in the area and there are no concerns. **Option 3:** Convenience store with fuel pumps and a bank with double drive-through. **Option 4:** Like a national chain restaurant footprint and a bank.

Mr. St. Peter said they would like to come in with an application and plans on one of these options. He stated that the soils are good and they could get the infrastructure worked out. Tom Dow asked about the front setbacks. Mr. St. Peter explained that they have 100' on two sides where it is a corner lot. He said they would probably need a special exception for the setback on the east side of the property. Board members agreed that the developer is making the lot more conforming by enlarging the lot. They reminded Mr. St. Peter that there is a heavy emphasis on the design, appearance, and landscape on any project that comes before the Board. It was asked what the proposed timeline might be. Mr. St. Peter said they would like to start construction this year. Henry Huntington stressed the importance of having a building and landscape design right when they come in because the Board will be looking closely at those. Mr. St. Peter said they would have a complete package when they file the application. He said when they did the parking calculations they figured the usable retail space, taking out storage, rest rooms, etc. The Board agreed that was accurate.

**Becky Moguee** — Mrs. Moguee explained that she has had a preschool in her home on Hardy Road for five years and that she plans to move the preschool to the Loudon Congregational Church in September. She asked if there was anything required by the Board before making the move. Donna reported that the Zoning Board does not feel that there is any reason for Mrs. Moguee to go before them since schools are permitted in the Village District. Cheryl Rice stated that the church has no problem with the preschool being located in the church. Stan Prescott asked about fire and health inspections. Mrs. Moguee explained that the fire chief is on vacation but will be doing an

inspection upon his return and that the code enforcement/health officer had postponed his inspection until hearing the Board's decision. Mr. Prescott said he did not see the need for any action by the Board as long as the inspections are done and that she follows the state requirements. There was discussion of traffic, the relief to Hardy Road traffic, fire and health inspections, and state ratios of children and staff. Board members were in agreement that there was no need for Board action. Mrs. Moguee left a form to be signed by the ZBA chairman. Donna will notify Bob Fiske of the Board's decision.

**Old Business:**

**Application #07-02, Loudon Woods Estates — Major Subdivision, Located on Chichester Road, in the RR District. Map 2, Lot 23.** Bob Ordway recused himself as he is an abutter to this property. Peter Holden of Holden Engineering represented the owners. Mr. Holden reviewed the comments of town engineer Tony Puntin. He said he will change the cost estimate that was submitted earlier to the Board based on Mr. Puntin's notes of this date. Mr. Holden explained that he has responded to the Board's comments and requests as follows: showed the changes made to the road (Right Of Way); showed the ROW profile and easements to allow for future grading; recalculated soils and slopes at the 20% with no affect; showed the profile of Bee Hole and Chichester Road intersection; raised Chichester Road as much as he could without going out of the ROW; taking out brush and wall at the west corner would improve the sight distance discussed; and clear 300' to the east on Chichester Road.

Tom Dow asked about the long driveways pictured on some of the lots. Mr. Holden explained that those particular driveways have to go in those locations because of grades whereas the driveways on other lots can go most anywhere. The other lots are shown as aprons. Dustin Bowles said that should be specified somehow on the plans. Mr. Holden stated that he would note that those driveways have to be as shown. He explained that they will record the subdivision and easement plans so that all notes are recorded.

Steve Jackson said that Bob Butler had asked at the last meeting about moving the new road to lessen the wetland impact. Mr. Holden said he had looked at it and moved it about four feet but there was very little difference in the impact when doing so. Bob Butler mentioned the wells against the wetlands, noting that they have been moved but are still within the 75' buffer on Lots 6 and 7. There was discussion of buffers and wells being in the buffer. Peter Holden said he would move the wells to avoid any questions.

Steve Jackson noted that Lot 8 is only 1.997 acres. Mr. Holden said this would be

corrected. He said he will address the following: tangent on the profile of the ROW; driveway note; move wells 75' from wetlands (Lots 6 & 7); 1.997 acre size of Lot 8; go to ZBA; revise the cost estimate, including testing and "as built" costs; stamped drawings; and two bond notes ("Wellington note" and bond in place for Bee Hole & Chichester Roads before work begins). Bob Butler noted that they would have to get a special exception for crossing the wetland with the ROW. Mr. Holden agreed.

Chairman Dow closed the hearing to the public and opened it to the Board only. Henry Huntington suggested that another note might be added to address that no construction of a new road from the ROW could be done without approval. Peter Holden said it is listed as an access and would have to be built as a road before building on the back land. Tom Moore said "as built" drawings are required. Mr. Holden noted that there is a note on the plan that says that the town is doing the work on the west corner at the intersection of Bee Hole Road. He said that the applicant will do the work if the town gets the easement on the land.

*Tom Moore made a motion to continue this hearing to August 16, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. at the Community Building; seconded by Dustin Bowles. All were in favor. There will be no further notification.*

Bob Ordway returned to the table.

**Application #07-03, Septic Disposal Solutions — Major Site Development, Located on Dump Road, in the C/I District. Map 40, Lot 7.** Chairman Dow read a request from the applicant to table until the August meeting because they are waiting for engineering work to be complete. Jeff Green recused himself due to his connection to the project. Bob Ordway was appointed as a voting member for the remainder of the meeting. *Steve Jackson made a motion to continue this application to August 16, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. at the Community Building; seconded by Dustin Bowles. All were in favor. This will be the only notification.*

**Application #07-04, Debra Rattee-Major Subdivision, Located on School Street, in the RR District. Map 38, Lot 7.** Chairman Dow read a request from the applicant's representative to table until the August meeting because they are seeking a special exception from the ZBA. *Dustin Bowles made a motion to continue this application to August 16, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. at the Community Building; seconded by Henry Huntington. All were in favor. This will be the only notification.*

**Application #07-10, Peter & Gary, LLC — Minor Subdivision. Located on School Street, in the RR District. Map 38, Lot 8.** Chairman Dow read a request from the applicant's representative to table until the August meeting because they are waiting for state subdivision approval. *Dustin Bowles made a motion to continue this application to August 16, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. at the Community Building; seconded by Tom Moore. All were in favor. This will be the only notification.*

**Application #07-11, David K Moody — Site Plan Review. Located on Dump Road, in the C/I District. Map 40, Lot 7.** Chairman Dow read a request from the applicant's representative to table until the August meeting because they are waiting for further engineering work to be complete. *Stan Prescott made a motion to continue this application to August 16, 2007 at 7:00 p.m. at the Community Building; seconded by Bob Ordway. All were in favor. This will be the only notification.*

**New Business:**

There was no new business.

**Board Discussion:**

Donna reported that she had an inquiry from Dennis Proulx at the self-storage business on Route 106. Mr. Proulx went to the building department for a permit for the last building to be constructed at that site. He was told by Mr. Fiske to check with the Board about any time limits on the approval. The Board discussed the timeframe of the original approval (1999) and agreed that there has been substantial completion and there was no time limit to get the last building up. The Board discussed the lack of landscaping at the site and work that has been done thus far. It was agreed that Donna would inform the building department that the applicant could proceed with the construction of the final building, but he has to meet all landscaping as approved on the drawings submitted. A copy of the original approval with conditions will be given to the building department at the same time.

Donna reported that there were issues with two parking permits for the July race. One was a call received from DOT about a near-miss at property owned by the Paul & Linda Trefethen. The complainant's concern was that there is no snow fence along the front of the property so vehicles were entering directly onto the road from the lawn area. The second was a police report about overnight campers and fireworks at property owned by John Storrs. Letters have been sent to both parties advising them that the matters need to be addressed prior to the September race and if there are any further infractions they will be required to come before the Board and face possible revocation of their parking permits.

Donna reported that she had a phone message from Lorraine Duprez referencing the letter sent to her about the deeding of the conservation lot. She said that Mrs. Duprez stated that she spoke with the Conservation Commission a year ago and there was an understanding that she would deed the lot to the town once there is a cellar hole in the ground and that she does not want to pull that lot out of current use and pay the penalty. Donna said that she talked with Julie Robinson about this and that Julie had tried, to no avail, to reach Mrs. Duprez. Julie said that there was no agreement, particularly since current use matters are not up to the Conservation Commission to handle. The Board agreed that no further action

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is needed and that the 90-day timeframe remains in place.

**Report of the ZBA:**

Donna reported that there are four applications before the ZBA this month, a special exception for reduced setbacks and three special exceptions for wetland/wetland buffer impact. There is also a motion for rehearing by Septic Disposal Solutions. Bob Ordway asked how it came to applicants having to go to ZBA for wetlands. There was discussion about the Ordinance and requirements with regard to wetlands. It was pointed out that the ZBA is required to give thirty day notice of such applications to the Planning Board, Conservation Commission, and health officer. Board members felt that there was no reason to hold up the three applications before the ZBA for wetlands since all of the applicants have been before the Board and the Board has done site walks of the properties. Donna was asked to draft a letter to the ZBA stating that the Board has reviewed all three properties. The Conservation Commission will consider the same since they have also see the projects and sites.

**Report of the Board of Permit:**

Chairman Dow reported that there had been discussion about ESMI after it was pointed out at last month's ZBA meeting that ESMI had done some excavation on the lot that they acquired from Fillmore. He stated that ESMI had been given a special exception to stockpile material on that lot. They did some excavation to prep the lot for that purpose but had not filed an intent to excavate. At the Board of Permit, it was decided that ESMI would be allowed to file the intent to excavate form and pay the appropriate tax on the 30–35,000 yards that was excavated.

**Work Session** — A work session to review the proposed changes/update of the Land Development Regulations was scheduled for Monday, July 30th, 6:00 p.m. at the Community Building if available. Reminder cards will be sent to members.

**Parking Permits** — Dustin Bowles asked about the enforcement of parking permits. He said there are infractions at sites other than those noted earlier and wonders why some are enforced and others are not. Donna told the Board that she was told by Bob Fiske that he only responds to those that they receive calls/complaints on. There was discussion about overnight campers and the possibility that some are friends or family who are staying at the location, which is permitted by the Zoning Ordinance, and not necessarily in the parking area of the permit.

**Adjournment:**

*A motion to adjourn at 9:37 p.m. was made by Henry Huntington; seconded by Dustin Bowles. All were in favor.*

*Respectfully submitted,  
Donna White*

**Zoning Board of Adjustment Minutes — July 26, 2007****REGULAR HEARING**

Chairman Dave Powelson called the Loudon Zoning Board of Adjustment meeting of July 26, 2007 to order at 7:30 p.m. at the Loudon Community Building.

**ROLL CALL:**

The following members were present: Roy Merrill, *Chairman* Dave Powelson, George Saunderson, and *Alternate* Jonathan Huntington. Mr. Huntington was appointed to be a voting member in the absence of Ned Lizotte.

**ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES:**

*George Saunderson made a motion to accept the minutes of May 24, 2007, June 28, 2007, and July 2, 2007; seconded by Jon Huntington. All were in favor.*

**MOTION FOR REHEARING:** Chairman Powelson stated that there would be no public input allowed on the motion for rehearing filed by Septic Disposal Solutions. He asked the applicants if they were agreeable to a four-member board hearing the case. SDS attorney, Brandon Giuda, said they would be agreeable to that. The chairman stated that the ZBA had suspended their decision in June. *Roy Merrill made a motion to deny a rehearing; seconded by George Saunderson.*

Mr. Merrill said that he does not believe that SDS presented overwhelming evidence that there would be no odor. Referring to a statement in the motion for rehearing, he said that processing comes under special requests and not every processing plant would be allowed if they cannot prove there would be no odor. Mr. Merrill said the Zoning Ordinance requires them to be very strict on odor. Jon Huntington asked what the next step would be if the Board denies the motion for rehearing. Chairman Powelson explained that the applicant can appeal the decision to superior court if they choose to as that is their right. He said he believes if the applicant was to reapply with the same application and same configuration, the Board could deny it. He said if they were to reapply with a similar application and different configuration, the Board could rehear that.

George Saunderson said that he feels it is a gallonage issue, noting that the application presented at the end was not what was being discussed. Jon Huntington referred to a letter from DES with questions for SDS to answer and that all Board members received. He asked if that would make anyone feel any differently once SDS provided further information to DES. Chairman Powelson said it might as some things have happened and changed since the application was presented and the motion was denied. He said he was not sure how that would play in a new hearing. Mr. Huntington asked to clarify if the motion is denied tonight then the matter goes to court. Mr. Powelson explained that the court would decide if the

Board made their decision properly or made an error in the decision-making. Mr. Huntington asked to clarify if the court feels there was an error made, the Board would hear it again. The chairman said that was correct.

Roy Merrill said that Mr. Giuda mentioned in the motion that Board members had solicited comments from abutters in Pittsfield. Mr. Merrill said that Mr. Gosse had told the Board that they were welcome to come to Pittsfield for verification of their reputation. Mr. Merrill said that the motion referred to an issue of going to Steve at the dump. He said that Mrs. Johnson had forwarded an email with regard to the septage situation so, just prior to the vote, he spoke with Steve about the gallonage. Mr. Merrill said he thought that point was null and void.

Chairman Powelson said it would be good practice to go through Mr. Giuda's points and comment. He read from the first paragraph of the motion for rehearing. Mr. Powelson said he does not believe that there were any illegal meetings. He said the Board has had a meeting with the town attorney, there was a special meeting where Jon Huntington was nominated and elected as an alternate member, and the town does have regular Board of Permit meetings. Mr. Powelson said there are minutes available for all with the exception of the meeting with the attorney as that was attorney/client privileged.

Chairman Powelson read from comments from the town attorney. Attorney Giuda asked for a copy of what Mr. Powelson was reading. Mr. Powelson said he could provide a copy to Mr. Giuda after the meeting. The chairman continued, saying that the Board did make an error when it stated that an application for storage tanks was not received and that the Board apologizes for that error. Mr. Powelson went on to address the disqualification of members. He said Board members were invited to look into the Pittsfield operation and it is the intent of the ZBA to know what is going on in order to make informed decisions.

Roy Merrill stated that the state expert said that offensive odor is tough to control. Mr. Merrill said that the Ordinance is clear and that the Board is not permitted any degree of leniency. Chairman Powelson stated that there are allegations in the SDS statement that the Board never defined odor and that the Ordinance is vague and the decision is void under the NH Constitution. He said that the Board asked SDS and DES for definitions of odor but they were not provided. Mr. Powelson stated that on page three of the motion the applicant is looking for the Board to abandon their decision because of odor and then he referred to page six, section (h), numbers 8 (the Town of Pittsfield and DES have received zero complaints from abutters of the Pittsfield plant) and 9 (the DES expert has never smelled an

offensive odor at the Pittsfield plant). Mr. Powelson said it is unfortunate that the DES expert was unable to define odor in reference to operations in Loudon. Roy Merrill said the Ordinance is very clear that no odor is permitted.

Chairman Powelson read from the attorney's remarks: The Board is convinced that it is entirely appropriate to consider the current use and condition of the property which may have a bearing upon the application, or solicit information from the Department of Environmental Services, when the applicant has referred to that information. The board members took a view, and this assisted the Board in reaching its decision. The Board is satisfied that its decision addresses the balance of the issues raised in the Motion for Rehearing.

The chairman said that some of what has been said is his comments and some is from prepared statements from the town attorney. He asked if the rest of the Board agrees with what has been said or if there are any differing opinions.

Jon Huntington said that he thinks that the existing conditions with the open lagoon and dump would be a way to measure smell and odors. He said there are odors there now. Mr. Huntington said the Board has to look down the road. He said this project has been developed and improved on and it would only be improving the town's condition. Mr. Huntington said it is a shame that it cannot be worked out. He said that the town, in the long run, would benefit. He said there are pros and cons, and no matter what was said or not said, the town is going to have sewage. He noted that the town is growing and there is an opportunity here to improve the situation. He said the Board can put restrictions on it, suggesting the gallons first presented, go for a year or so and increase it if there are no problems. Mr. Huntington said he feels denying this is going in the wrong direction.

Roy Merrill said one thing that is very bad for public input is that this somehow ties into the lagoon. He said this is a private entity and has nothing to do with it. Mr. Merrill said this comes off as beneficial to the town lagoon but the two should not be confused.

Chairman Powelson said the Board could be in an awkward position because they need three consistent votes to carry a motion. He said that he agrees with Mr. Huntington for the most part and feels this is a good project and could be made to fit within the town's zoning. The chairman said he is not sure they could get three votes from the Board to overturn it. Jon Huntington asked what happens if they do not get the votes. The chairman said if they cannot get three to deny or approve, they would reconvene when they have five members.

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George Saunderson said he was ready to vote. The chairman said that he has covered the points of the town attorney and stated that the Board has a motion to deny the application for rehearing. *A roll vote was taken: Jonathan Huntington — No; George Saunderson — Yes; Dave Powelson — Yes; Roy Merrill — Yes. Yes — 3, No — 1. Motion for Rehearing DENIED.*

**DISCUSSION:**

**Robert Bigwood** — Mr. Bigwood stated that he plans to build a 24' x 24' garage in place of the shed that is currently at the back of his property. He said up until this year the setbacks were not a concern but with the passage of a corner lot rule in March, he now may have to seek a special exception. There was discussion of measuring from the stonewall and the right-of-way. Mr. Bigwood said it was his understanding that Bee Hole Road would be moved easterly as part of the Loudon Woods Estates subdivision project. He asked if he would still measure from the stonewall. It was agreed that stonewalls are the typical property boundary that would be used for measurement. It was suggested that Mr. Bigwood move the location of the garage to meet the 50' setback or come in with a special exception application.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

**Case #07-08, Matthew & Edith Benton — Special Exception for Reduced Setback, Map 41, Lot 10.** Chairman Powelson stated that a site walk was done at this property and minutes were presented earlier in the meeting. He explained that there was discussion with the neighbor at the site walk and Mr. Garcia had agreed with the plan. The chairman stated that Mr. Benton had gone through the points of the application at the June meeting. He asked if there was anyone who wished to speak in favor of the application. Hearing none, he asked if there was anyone who wished to speak against the application. Hearing none, he closed the hearing, to be taken up under Unfinished Business.

**Case #07-10, Friedrich K Moeckel, Esq for Joseph T Bohi — Special Exception for Wetlands Buffer, Map 12, Lot 4.** Shane Stewart represented the applicant and Gary Spaulding attended in the absence of Web Stout. Mr. Stewart stated that there were two conditions that held this over from the June meeting. One was the 30-day review/comment period for the Planning Board and Conservation Commission and the other was to meet with the Conservation Commission. He said that the Conservation Commission signed off on the state application. Donna presented a letter to the chairman from the Planning Board chairman that said

the Planning Board has seen the site and has no concerns with the proposed project.

Chairman Powelson asked if there was anyone wishing to speak in favor of the application. Hearing none, he asked if there was anyone wishing to speak against the application. Hearing none, he closed the hearing, to be taken up under Unfinished Business.

**Case #07-13, Debra Rattee — Special Exception for Wetland Crossing, Map 38, Lot 7.** Mark Sargent of Richard Bartlett & Associates represented the applicant. There were no abutters present. Mr. Sargent stated that this parcel is 179 acres on the south side of School Street. Mr. Sargent said they are seeking a special exception for a driveway crossing. He stated that the applicant is before the Planning Board for a four-lot subdivision. Mr. Sargent said the impact would be 1,038 SF and that they applied to the Wetlands Board under expedited review two months ago.

Mr. Sargent read through the points of the application. Dave Powelson said there is a single wetland crossing proposed and he asked if every lot has access. Mr. Sargent said yes. Roy Merrill asked about a red box on the plans. Mr. Sargent explained that it was the 180' x 240' box required by the development regulations. He said that the Planning Board and Conservation Commission have done a site walk of the property. George Saunderson also attended that site walk.

Chairman Powelson asked if there was anyone wishing to speak in favor of the application. Hearing none, he asked if there was anyone wishing to speak against the application. Hearing none, he asked Board members if they wanted to schedule a site walk. Mr. Sargent said the driveway is staked out and flagged. A site walk was scheduled for 7:00 a.m. on Saturday, July 28, 2007. Mr. Sargent said he will not be able to attend but will send Dave Collier in his place. The chairman stated that the hearing would be continued to the August meeting, with the site walk set for Saturday.

**Case #07-14, Loudon Woods Estates — Special Exception for Wetland Crossing, Map 2, Lot 23.** Bernie Temple of Holden Engineering represented the applicant. He stated that there would be approximately 7,000 SF of impact with the construction of the new road in the subdivision. Mr. Temple read through the points of the application and he reported that they have received the DES permit for the crossing.

Roy Merrill asked about a couple of driveway markings on the plan and if they are the ones that were mentioned at the Planning Board meeting. Mr. Temple stated that those driveways are shown in their full length because that is the location where they must be constructed. George Saunderson

asked if any of the road has been constructed. Mr. Temple said it has not. Jon Huntington asked if the Conservation Commission approves of the road plan. There was no Conservation Commission representative in attendance. Roy Merrill suggested doing a site walk between 7:30 a.m. and 7:45 a.m. on Saturday after the site walk on School Street.

Chairman Powelson asked if there was anyone wishing to speak in favor of the application. Hearing none, he asked if there was anyone wishing to speak against the application. Hearing none, he stated that this is an application for crossing two small wetlands and the hearing would be continued to the August meeting, with the site walk set for Saturday.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

**Case #07-08, Matthew & Edith Benton — Special Exception for Reduced Setback, Map 41, Lot 10.** Roy Merrill made a motion to approve the application; seconded by Jon Huntington. Chairman Powelson stated that the applicant went through the points last month and asked if there was any discussion. Roy Merrill said they have seen it all a couple of times. The chairman stated that this application is for a special exception to reduce the side setback from 30' to 15' for the construction of a garage. *A roll vote was taken: Jon Huntington — Yes; George Saunderson — Yes; Dave Powelson — Yes; Roy Merrill — Yes. Unanimous — APPROVED.*

**Case #07-10, Friedrich K Moeckel, Esq for Joseph T Bohi — Special Exception for Wetlands Buffer, Map 12, Lot 4.** Roy Merrill made a motion to approve the application; seconded by George Saunderson. Chairman Powelson said that the Board has seen this property several times and stated that this is an application to allow a road in the wetland buffer. *A roll vote was taken: Jon Huntington — Yes; George Saunderson — Yes; Dave Powelson — Yes; Roy Merrill — Yes. Unanimous — APPROVED.*

**DISCUSSION:**

**Alternate** — Chairman Powelson stated that Mrs. Pearl has resigned from the ZBA

Alternate position. He said the Board will miss her and appreciated her service. Roy Merrill said he would like to thank Mrs. Pearl for her help and service.

**Building Permit Extension** — Steve Jackson said he would like to discuss a second extension on a building permit held by Dana and Christine Eldred. Roy Merrill recused himself as he is an abutter. Mr. Jackson stated that in December of 2006, the Board extended the permit on Lower Ridge Road through August of this year. He said due to a life-changing event, the owners are now required to sell the lot that they purchased in hopes of building a new home. He asked that Mr. Eldred be allowed to explain the situation. Mr. Eldred said that his wife was diagnosed in May of this year with a rare illness that requires ongoing radiation and treatment. He said that the added stress of trying to build, pack, and move along with the treatments is not feasible. Steve Jackson stated that the property is on the market and is priced for quick sale. He said they are asking that the permit be extended through the end of the year. Chairman Powelson asked if there is a legal issue with selling a lot with a permit. Steve Jackson said there is not. He said this permit is part of the allocation of 2006 that was extended into 2007. Roy Merrill said most extensions have been for a year, noting that last fall the Board chose to give them until August. Chairman Powelson referred to the minutes of December 28, 2006 where the Board inferred that they might consider extending further. Roy Merrill said he feels that the Board should extend it to a year. *George Saunderson made a motion to extend the building permit to the end of 2007; seconded by Jon Huntington. All were in favor.* Roy Merrill returned to the Board.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

*Roy Merrill made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:45 p.m., seconded by George Saunderson. All were in favor.*

*Respectfully submitted,  
Donna White  
Administrative Assistant*

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<b>9</b> GRANDPARENT'S DAY	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> MVMS PICTURE DAY 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 6pm•American Legion Bingo 6:30pm•Selectmen's Meeting/Board of Permit @ Com. Bldg.	<b>12</b> LES PICTURE DAY 2pm•Storytime @ Library 7pm•American Legion 7pm•Historical Society	<b>13</b> MVMS OPEN HOUSE 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 7pm•American Legion Meeting	<b>14</b> LEDGER DEADLINE FOR OCTOBER ISSUE 1:15•5th Grade Instrument Demo Day @ LES	<b>15</b> 7pm•New Beginnings/ Ron & Deb Hodge in concert @ Loudon Center Freewill Baptist Church
<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> 7pm•Communications Council @ Com. Bldg.	<b>18</b> 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 6:30pm•Selectmen's Meeting @ Com. Bldg. 7pm•Lions Club @ Library	<b>19</b> 2pm•Storytime @ Library 6:30pm•Loudon Recreation Com. @ Library 6:30pm•MVMS PTO 6:30pm•Cub Scouts Pack Meeting @ LES	<b>20</b> 10:30am•Storytime @ Library 7pm•Planning Board @ Com. Bldg. 7:30pm•Book Group @ Library	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>
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