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"To Educate and Inform the Citizens of Lyndeborough"

Sept, Oct, Nov 2008

Lyndeborough Community Day

By Ellen Pomer

Saturday, August 16th was Lyndeborough's third Annual Community Day. As with the previous two years and in spite of the two downpours, the day was a huge success!

The day started with the sun rising on the Lafayette Artillery's encampment and the sizzle of bacon, eggs and pancakes cooking on the griddle. Those of us who were at Center Hall enjoyed the excellent food and great conversation.

Also during the morning hours, the Lafayette Artillery performed demonstrations, the Lyndeborough Gatherers held a yard sale with treasures galore and the Silent Auction opened for bids.

When noon approached, the Artillery served hamburgers and hot dogs for those with hearty appetites. After



Richard Herfurth and Arnie Byam cook breakfast at Community Day

lunch they continued their demonstrations and held a flag retirement ceremony. As always, the encampment demonstrations included cannon firings, which has become a consistent crowd pleaser.

The children of the town enjoyed the various carnival games and activities. The pie-eating contest drew several onlookers who were cheering on the contestants. Prizes were awarded for the winners of the events. Win or lose, a good time was had by all!

At 5 p.m. the chicken was on the grill, the corn steamed in the cookers, the potatoes were baked to perfection, the salad was tossed, the drinks were chilled and the hungry diners were in line to be served their evening meal.

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NOTICE

**Due To
Repairs The
Gulf Road
Bridge Is
Closed Until
November**

Lyndeborough Trails Project Planning its First Meeting on October 8th

By Susan DeCloedt and John Redemske

During the past year, a group of interested citizens have been working with the Nashua Regional Planning Commission (NRPC), in an effort to develop a plan to assist Lyndeborough in the development of an integrated multi-use trails network. A goal of the project is to create more outdoor recreational opportunities for Lyndeborough families including hiking, biking, cross country skiing, horseback riding and snow shoeing. The trail project will also encourage a sense of community through the creation and use of the trails.

By capitalizing on Lyndeborough's incredible scenic beauty, a trail system will also attract residents who value open space, allowing the town to retain its rural character and maintain the large and undeveloped tracts of land that exist today. It is envisioned that the trail system will eventually connect existing trails, conservation land, and the trail systems of adjacent communities. An additional benefit of developing an integrated trail system is to provide better access for emergency vehicles into areas that are currently

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Natural Resources Inventory Proceeds with Exciting Discoveries

Submitted by Joe Trudeau

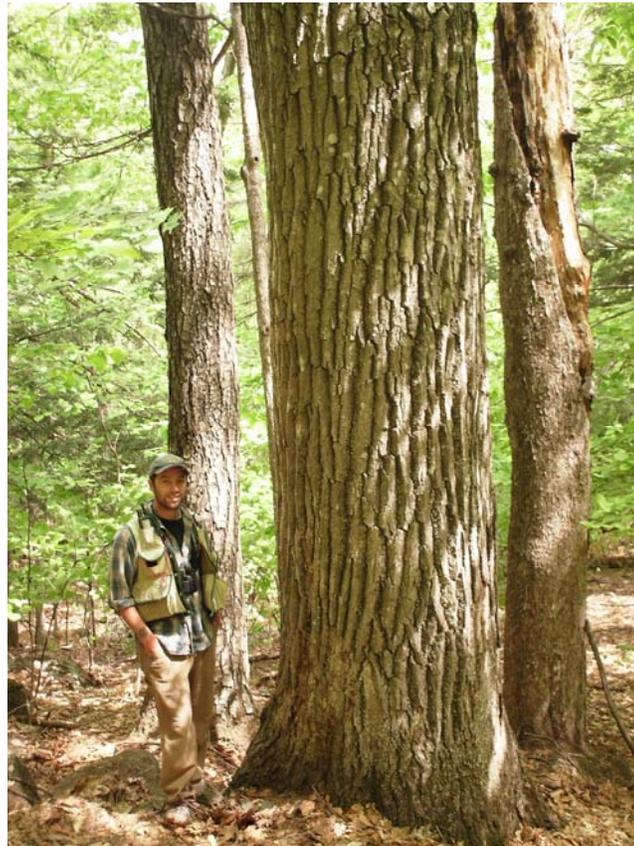
Now that the Natural Resources Inventory process is halfway through, I'd like to provide a progress report to readers of Lyndeborough Views and share with you some of the interesting observations I've made. Since late winter I've spent 22 days in the field, walked over 100 miles across 2,000 acres of conservation and public lands, made observations along more than 40 miles of road, met with 10 interested residents and landowners, and slogged through more than anyone's share of swamp, marsh, muck, and mire. This project has acquainted me with areas of Lyndeborough I haven't visited since I was a very young boy, and areas I never thought to visit before.

Coming into this I had a goal of identifying 200 species of plants. Well, that might just turn out to be the beginning! Already, I've reached about 225, and every time I go out I find more. As for wildflowers, I've documented 115 species, 23 of which are introduced, and 92 native. The most common forest flowers are Wintergreen, Partridgeberry, and Canada Mayflower. My most exciting finds are the endangered Fern-Leaved False Foxglove on Piscataquog Mountain, Foamflower in a unique nutrient rich seep along Cold Brook, and the elegant Pale Corydalis tucked into a boulder field on Winn Mountain. The most abundant family is the Composites, or Asters, followed by Lilies and Roses. I've found 16 species of ferns, including the threatened Goldies Fern, and some uncommon species such as the ledge loving Rusty Woodsia on Winn Mountain, and the nutrient-rich soil loving Maidenhair Fern in a sugar maple grove in north Lyndeborough.

I've documented an astonishing 46 shrub species, of which 6 are exotic invasives that deserve some attention. Areas of the highest diversity of shrubs are old blueberry fields and certain wetlands. The shrubs are fairly evenly

distributed along moisture gradients, with sixteen of these species considered by wetland scientists to occur more than 67% in wetlands, thirteen to occur in uplands more than 67% of the time, and the remaining third commonly found in both environments or are unrated by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Thirty-four tree species have been observed, including some unique

occurrences, such as a Douglas fir (native to the western mountain ranges) on the roadside at Hunters Cot, and the lovely Catalpa in front of the Congregational Church in South Lyndeborough. Besides these, dozens of species of grasses, sedges, rushes, mosses, club-mosses, and vines have been observed in a variety of habitats. Lyndeborough is graced by some lovely natural areas that I urge anyone interested in nature to visit. Of surprising diversity is the Curtiss Dogwood State Botanical Area on Perham Corner Road, where I was delighted to discover several species of dogwood, and a rich forest floor of flowers, grasses, and low shrubs (including a scary amount of poison ivy!). Other highlights so far have been the discovery of three previously undocumented Black Gum swamps on Piscataquog Mountain. These are very rare communities in New Hampshire and fortunately these occurrences are already protected by a Conservation Easement. The oldest known deciduous tree in the east is a Black Gum in Hillsborough County estimated at almost 700 years old! Summer is nearly over and soon the season for discovering our natural heritage will have passed, but I'm planning on spending another 10 or 15 days in the field or on the water before I consign myself to the computer for data analysis and report writing for a few months. Again, anyone is welcome to participate in the exciting project and can reach me at 562-6226, or joe@preservelandworks.com.



Old growth forest in Lyndeborough

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STATE PRIMARIES

September 9, 2008
Town Hall, Lyndeborough Center
8 am – 7 pm



NATIONAL & STATE ELECTIONS

November 4, 2008
Town Hall, Lyndeborough Center
8 am – 7 pm

Message from your Health Officer

My guess is that you may be resigned to waiting until next year for summer. Fall is at our doorstep, and winter is just around the proverbial corner. Many of us are thinking ahead to the expected high costs of heating our homes this winter. We may be considering several optional heating devices to help conserve fuel, boost our primary heating system, or keep our home functional during a power outage. When it comes to these options we must consider the risks as well as the benefits. In addition to the increased risk of fire, we must take steps to prevent injury and death from the silent killer: Carbon monoxide (CO).

CO is an odorless, colorless gas that is found in combustion fumes and is produced by heating systems, i.e. those burning oil, propane, coal and wood. It is also produced by small gasoline engines, automobiles, gas and charcoal grills, camp stoves, kerosene, gas and catalytic space heaters. CO from unvented or improperly vented sources builds up in enclosed or semi-enclosed areas putting people and animals in these spaces at risk of CO poisoning. Hundreds of people die annually from CO poisoning caused by malfunctioning or improperly used fuel-burning appliances. Many more die from CO produced by idling cars.

Breathing elevated levels of CO is harmful, because it displaces oxygen in the red blood cells. Cells and tissues in the body become damaged from lack of oxygen. All people and animals are at risk for CO poisoning. Unborn babies, infants, elderly people, people with anemia, heart or respiratory disease can be especially susceptible. If you suspect CO poisoning – get to fresh air immediately. Open doors and windows, turn off combustion appliances and leave the house. Go to an emergency room and tell the physician you suspect CO poisoning. Keep in mind and be prepared to answer questions regarding your symptoms. Do your symptoms occur only in your house? Do they disappear or decrease when you leave home and reappear when you return? Is anyone else in your household complaining of similar symptoms? Did everyone's symptoms appear about the same time?

Prevention is the key to avoiding CO poisoning. The following prevention guidelines are recommended by the CDC:

- **DO** have your heating system, water heater and any other gas, oil, or coal burning appliances, and chimneys serviced by a qualified technician every year.
- **DO** install a battery-operated CO detector in your home and check or replace the battery when you change the time on your clocks each spring and fall. If the detector alarms, leave your home immediately and call 911.
- **DO** seek prompt medical attention if you suspect CO poisoning and have a headache, are feeling dizzy, light-headed, or nauseous.
- **DON'T** use a generator, charcoal grill, camp stove or other gasoline or charcoal-burning device inside your home, basement, garage, or near a window or air vent.
- **DON'T** run a car or truck inside a garage attached to your house, even if you leave the door open.
- **DON'T** burn anything in a stove or fireplace that isn't vented.
- **DON'T** heat your house with a gas oven.

Carbon monoxide detectors are widely available for purchase in home and hardware stores. CO detectors are a back-up safety device and NOT a replacement for proper use and maintenance of your fuel-burning appliances. Look for UL certification on any detector you purchase. Follow the manufacturers' instructions for its placement, use, and maintenance.

If the CO detector alarm goes off:

- Make sure it is your CO detector and not your smoke detector.
- Check to see if any member of the household is experiencing symptoms of poisoning; including pets.
- If they are, get them out of the house immediately and seek medical attention.

- Tell the doctor that you suspect CO poisoning.

- If no one is experiencing symptoms, ventilate the house with fresh air and turn off all potential sources of CO – your oil or gas furnace, gas water heater, gas range and oven, gas dryer, gas or kerosene space heater, and any vehicle or small engine.

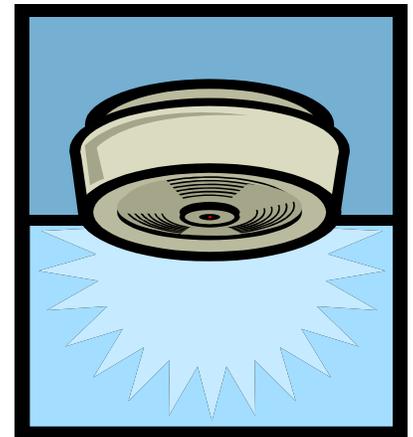
Have a qualified technician inspect your fuel-burning appliances and chimneys to make sure they are operating correctly and that there is nothing blocking the fumes from being vented out of the house.

Resources: Environmental Protection Agency and Centers for Disease Control.

Other considerations as fall and winter approach: Practice good respiratory hygiene, i.e. cough into your sleeve, wash your hands frequently, get your flu vaccine, stay home when you are ill, and try to stay three feet away from others who appear ill. Check the local weekly newspapers and the website for the date(s) of our Flu Clinic, usually beginning the first Thursday in October.

Remember the BP Clinic the first Thursday of each month from 2:30PM to 3:30PM.

Check the website for information links for seasonal health and safety.



LCS ESSAY CONTEST WINNERS

Each year the Lyndeborough Views awards a first place prize and a runner up prize to the LCS Sixth graders who write an essay. This year's topic was, "Who would you vote for President of the US." The first place winner was Kyle Hagen and the runner up was Katrina Amadon.

First Place: Kyle Hagen

My Favorite Presidential Hopeful

Out of all of the Presidential hopefuls, I believe that Barack Obama has a very good shot at becoming president for a number of reasons. I feel that he has good ideas on our changing planet. His plan to change taxes is quite nice. I like where he stands on our youth's education. I also like him as a person and what he would do if he made it to office. All of these are sensitive and debatable topics.

I feel that Barack Obama has especially good ideas on our changing planet. He says he would limit the greenhouse gas emissions that are carelessly let into the air. This action might help lower our global temperature crisis. I also believe that he has good ideas on how to deal with pollution. If he achieved this, our planet would be better for future generations.

Barack Obama's plan to change the taxes pleases me for a number of reasons. For one, he would offer tax relief and financial assistance to the elderly, middle class Americans, and families in need. Another reason is he would keep some of Bush's tax cuts. The final reason is that Barack Obama would give financial assistance to homeowners in danger of losing their homes. These acts would help millions of Americans.

I like where Barack Obama stands on education too. He would make science and math subjects a nation wide priority. He would bring arts and music

programs back to the schools of the public. Barack Obama would also reform the "No Child Left Behind" program and increase standards for early childhood education. This would make education better for everyone.

Barack Obama has a nice personality and history. He was born in 1961 in Hawaii. His mother was a white Kansas woman, and his dad was a black man from Kenya. Obama graduated from Harvard Law School at the head of his class. Barack has been both a state and U.S. Senator. Some of these things give him a competitive edge in the race for 2008.

Barack Obama might make it into the White House office. His ideas on the planet really please me. Barack's tax plan would help millions of Americans. Education is high on his priorities. Just the fact that he is a caring person is nice. I hope to see him as President soon.

Runner Up: Katrina Amadon

Why I Picked John McCain to be President

Out of John McCain, Barack Obama and Hillary Clinton, I would pick John McCain because he has experience in war. He also cares about the environment, and I just think he would make a good President! He got severely injured and abused in the prison. From when they captured him and held him for more than five years!

I like his ideas about immigration. He wants to save money on gas like green house effect. But he doesn't want to change the prices too much, because he wants to keep most prices the same so that there is no sudden change. He does want to lower some prices on some things. Tax cuts would be good.

John McCain would like the reform bill to be passed for all the immigrants. He wants to keep the illegal immigrants that are already here, but not let that many more people come in unless they pass the test. All will have to obey the laws!

For Iraq, he thinks we should have patience; we should get back up for the troop surges. He wants to keep fighting so they don't come here and bomb us or attack us.

I like John McCain because...he was born in the Panama Canal Zone in 1938, and he is 70 years old. He spent most of his childhood on military bases around the world. His father and grandfather were four-star admirals in the U.S. Navy. McCain graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy, and he served as a pilot in the Vietnam War. Returning from the war he went onto a new career to the U.S. House of Representatives and the U.S. Senate. McCain and his second wife, Cindy, have seven children.

John McCain has good ideas. And I think he would be a good president because he has good ideas. He already has experience in war.

Lyndeborough Community Days....

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Thanks to the efforts of the fire department and the Women’s Club the meal was delicious! The desserts provided by the Fire Department Auxilliary were yummy!

While the crowd consumed the chicken, the musicians played their instruments and we all listened to over two hours of music with something for everyone. Kudos to the band from Nelson’s Candy Store—they kept us entertained with songs from the 50’s, rock and roll, folk and present day originals. They played new and old favorites and everything in between! The saying goes, “The show must go on” and the band held true to it: When the rain poured down, the music played on and we continued listening while huddling under the tents!

Silent Auction winners were announced at the end of the day. Congratulations to the lucky winners of the auction items.

After the chicken dinners were no longer being served, the musicians had stopped playing, and many of the attendees had gone home, the fire department built a bonfire for all to enjoy. Those of us remaining after sunset sat quietly enjoying the warmth of the fire against the cool night air, knowing the day had been both successful and enjoyable for all. A fitting end to a fun-filled day!

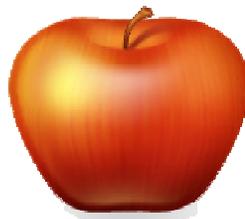
Hope to see everyone back again next year at the Lyndeborough’s fourth Annual Community Day!



Annie Herfurth coming out of the dunk tank and Cori Balam grinning after her dunking

APPLE FESTIVAL

The Lyndeborough Fire Department Auxilliary will hold their annual Apple Festival on Sunday, October 12, 2008, from 1 to 4 p.m. at Center Hall. Apple pie, dumplings and crisp will be served along with ice cream, cider and hot coffee. The fire department will also be on hand with the fire truck and the Lafayette Artillery will be firing their historic canon.



Come and join us for an afternoon of fun and great desserts, while celebrating our local produce. New members are always welcome.

Wilton-Lyndeborough Women’s Club Grants Two Scholarships

By Ellen Pomer

For many years the Wilton-Lyndeborough Women’s Club has awarded scholarships to graduating high school seniors from the towns of Wilton and Lyndeborough. The recipients are announced at the WLC commencement ceremonies, and the June 2008 ceremony continued the tradition.

Lauren Frost of Lyndeborough and Elise Marks of Wilton were granted \$500.00 each to use toward furthering their educations. Both women plan to become nurses upon completion of their studies. While attending WLC both were members of the National Honor Society, maintained Honor Roll status while keeping a challenging course load, had roles in the school play, were members of the school band, held offices in the school’s organizations, volunteered their time in the community and held part time jobs.

Lauren and Elise, congratulations and keep up the good work!



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The Cub Scouts of Pack 10

By Idina Holden

Our local cub scouts of Pack 10 have had a busy year. The pack is made up of 27 boys, in grades 1 through 5. They attend various schools in the area, including Lyndeborough Central, Florence Rideout and others. The boys come together in their dens once a week to work on their achievements. About once a month the entire Pack comes together for an exciting activity.



Cub Scout Pack 10 takes 2nd Place at the Chuckwagon Derby.

The highlight of the 2007-2008 school year was the Pine-wood Derby. This annual event allowed each cub scout to compete with cars of his own design. Some scouts chose to make cars in creative designs such as a pencil or tank, while others designed their cars for maximum speed. Many fathers shared memories of the Pine-wood Derbies of their youth as they helped their sons with their entries.

Other school year activities included trips to see the Yankee Farmer's trebuchet launch pumpkins, an outing at Hampshire Hills, ice skating, fishing, hiking to Purgatory Falls, and the Chuckwagon Derby. They participated in fundraisers, such as the popular popcorn sales and a benefit at the Wilton Town Hall Theater. They even got to march in Memorial Day parades in both Lyndeborough and Wilton! Through the year, the boys learned about camping, citizenship and collaboration. But first and most of all, they had fun.

The cub scouts activities continued through the summer. They hiked up Mt. Watatic in Ashburnham, Massachusetts. They looked at the stars

from Carnival Hill. They picnicked at Goss Park, cooking their own lunches over hot coals and learning how to make a flag pole out of saplings. Several of the older boys attend a week of resident camp at Manchester's Camp Carpenter, which included boating, swimming, archery, skits, songs, and more campfires. Other boys attended day camp at Nashua's Camp Doucet for more of the same.

Additional members to the pack are always welcome. To join, please contact Committee Chair Judy Keenan at 654-7681, or join the group at an Ice Cream Social on September 15 at 6:00 p.m. at the 2nd Congregational Church in Wilton. And be sure to watch for the Lyndeborough Cubs selling popcorn once again at the Village Store in September!



Join Your Neighbors at the next Community Supper!!

The Community Supper started off with a lot of diners in Center Hall on June 14; though there were fewer on July 19 and August 9, the food was really superb-- and anyone unable to come missed a undeniable worthwhile event.

Starting in September, most of the suppers will honor someone in this community who deserves the thanks of us all. The Lyndeborough Community Suppers are always on the 2nd Saturday evening of the month, at 6:30. The dinners are pot-luck.



As long as the weather continues warm enough, the suppers will be held in Center Hall. When the cold sets in, we'll move to Citizen's Hall - - where there is heat.

Join us at the next supper Saturday September 13th!!

For More Information Contact:
Chase Wilson Roeper -- 654-9831

Trails Project....

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difficult to access in emergency situations. The NRPC staff created a comprehensive town wide map of existing trails, outreach materials, and an initial implementation plan to help get the project started.



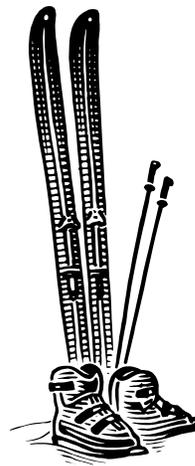
On October 8th, at 7:00 p.m., the first organizational meeting for the trails project will take place at the home of John Redemske and Susan DeCloedt, 14 New Rd., just off Center Rd, in Lyndeborough Center. Anyone who is interested in participating in this trails project organization is invited to attend this meeting. Please RSVP to John Redemske (jredemske@tds.net) or Susan DeCloedt at 654 7763 if you are planning to attend or have any questions about the trails project.

Lyndeborough Ski & Ride Club

By Kathleen Humphreys

Lyndeborough Ski & Ride Club is gearing up for a fun season of skiing and snowboarding at Crotched Mountain Ski & Ride Area in Bennington with discounted season passes for club members. Sign up early to beat the October 13 deadline, then think snow while saving gas skiing or riding close to home. To register log onto

www.crotchedmountain.com/lyndeborough.html



The non-profit club offers a variety of season passes available at Crotched Mountain such as an Adult Club Season Pass for \$299 or a Junior Club Season Pass for \$249, as well as student 5-week lessons program, the Granite Pass, Nor'Easter Pass and family passes.

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AROUND

Above: Selling Lemonade and baked goods at the community day Left to right are: Annie Herfurth, Cori Balam, Zandra Morris, Kassie Cavarretta, Mackenzie (unknown last name – visiting friend) and Lexi Balam

Right: Naomi Wight was celebrating her 9th birthday on the same day as the barbecue



Left: Abby VanHam enjoys ring toss at community day.

Right: Valeri Kregos is stacking cans to knock down in the ball toss game



IND TOWN



Right: Hannah and Emma Schmechel are prepared for the rain



Above: Maple Lane Farm welcomes it's newest member - Maple Lane Augustus "Gus", he is a Sicilian Miniature Donkey



Right: Karissa Rowell, Hannah Earle, Alex Brown and Raleigh Smith on fire truck

To All of You Who Attended Edna's Celebration of Life:

I would like to thank all of you who sent kind words, prayers, words of encouragement and cards to my mom and my family. We sent Mom on her way with a bang...literally. For those who couldn't make it, we had a nice remembrance of my mom in the Center Church and then four of us fired her ashes out of the cannon. This was followed by a pot luck at the Center Hall. The rain held off long enough for Walter to fire the last salute to my mother. I met several other people who knew my mom. I know my mom would have loved what we planned.

Even though I call her crazy, (well she was, believe me) She left a big hole. Just yesterday I wanted to call her to find out why my tomatoes are rotting before they ripen.

We are just trying to get back into the rhythm of our lives now. There are some changes. We have 2 new mouths to feed. My Mom's cats. They had 3 months with my mom and us to become adjusted to us and we to them. They have figure out the best vantage points to look out the windows now.

Again, Thank you. My mother and I were fortunate in that she didn't suffer or linger long and she had such wonderful friends and the great community of Lyndeborough, NH.

-Kelly Connerton



Above: Edna Worcester's Grandson Matthew Connerton holding her ashes



Right: Walter Holland and Rhonda Hettinger folding the flag.

Left: Lafayette Artillery honors one of their own.



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J.A. Tarbell Library Fund Update

The Silent Auction during Lyndeborough's Community Day on August 16th netted a whopping \$2,355 for the J.A. Tarbell Library Fund. The Septic design is in process and once done bidding will commence.



Again this year the Library Trustees will be selling Christmas wreaths. They will be taking orders at the National & State election on November 4th as well as at the library. Cut off will be **November 15th**. Wreaths can be picked up on November 29th at Town Hall, Lyndeborough Center.

Thanks to everyone who donated items as well as those who bought them at the auction!!

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Heidi Preftakes married **Josh Pieterse** from Wilton on August 9. The wedding was held at Heidi's parents home where there was dancing at the reception in the barn.

Tom and Joan Borges, from Lyndeborough Village, were married at Lyndeborough Center Church.

Town Website CHECK IT OUT!!

Check the Lyndeborough Town Web site for information about department meetings, other events, and to see the Lyndeborough Views in color.

[www.http://town.lyndeborough.nh.us](http://town.lyndeborough.nh.us)



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Corporate and Private sponsorships sought to aid Lyndeborough Central School PTA

Lyndeborough Central School PTA had a busy 2007/2208 school year. The PTA raises money annually to fund school activities such the Thanksgiving Feast, Culture Day, and Field Day. In addition, last years' goal of a school-grade picnic table for the playground was met thanks to the extra efforts of the LCS staff. The table will be used by students as well as by staff for recreational and educational purposes.

Plans are underway for a schedule of activities and fund raising efforts for 2008/2009. PTA hopes to raise enough money this year to cover traditional activities as well as to purchase a die-cutter for the school. In addition, PTA has a goal to provide funds to each classroom for arts and craft supplies. Teachers frequently pay for these supplies out-of-pocket.

Cultural Day this year is in the planning stages, possibly with a Latin American theme. Community members will be invited to make presentations throughout the day on language, currency, music, movement, food, and art including a weaving project and a jewelry-making project. Most of those invited to make presentations require a stipend to cover expenses and materials. PTA provides lunch for staff, presenters, and volunteers. PTA also provides lunch for the entire school as well as volunteers on Field Day. This year PTA hopes to add a t-shirt project and possibly a make-your-own sundae event at the end of the day.

The student body of Lyndeborough Central School hovers in the vicinity of 80 students, limiting the number of families who continually raise money during the fundraisers. ***Private and corporate sponsorships will help make these days memorable ones for the students.*** Anyone interested should contact LCS PTA VP/Secretary Diane Bell at 673-2136 or at expressionsgallery@yahoo.com. To make a donation, checks should be made out to LCS PTA and can be mailed to:

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Long Lost Rifle Returned

By Frank Holden

Auctions have been a long-time New England tradition. They are fun for picking up bargains or just for entertainment. Sometimes, they can be even more.

While driving through Greenfield one day, I noticed a sign at a yellow farmhouse advertising an upcoming auction. I stopped to ask the auctioneer, who was setting up a tent, for the details. He gave me the website to preview the auction (auctioneers like to stay current with the latest technology), and the date and time of the event. I arrived on the day with plenty of time to look over the things for sale.

I was admiring the collection of Edison cylindrical phonographs, when I happened to notice an old military rifle. It was a Trapdoor Springfield, like the ones used by the Lafayette Artillery for salutes on Memorial Day. Upon closer examination I noticed that it was indeed one of the Lafayette Artillery's rifles! The markings on the stock and other details made it clearly recognizable.

I immediately called Captain Walter Holland of the Artillery to inform him that one of our old rifles was going to be auctioned off soon and to ask if the Artillery wanted to purchase it. When I gave him the location of the auction, the Captain recalled that the homeowner used to be a member of the Artillery. We realized that the rifle still belonged to us. The Captain asked me to do what I could to recover it.

I found the auctioneer and explained the situation. The auctioneer said the owner, Mr. Baron, had moved to Florida and directed me to the caretaker. I repeated my story to the caretaker, half expecting a confrontation. Actually, the caretaker was very nice. He was sure that Mr. Baron had not intended to hang onto the rifle and that it was an oversight. The caretaker directed me to just take the rifle, and he would inform the auctioneer. I gladly returned the rifle to the Artillery's possession.

We, the members of the Artillery, believe that there are many articles distributed throughout the area that belong to the Artillery but have been lost over time. These articles could be rifles as well as other types of accessories, such as belts, ammunition pouches or bayonets. Members may move away or die, leaving the articles in the possession of someone who does not realize that those items belong to the Artillery. If you know of an item that you think may have belonged to the Artillery, please contact either Captain Holland at vairworks@tellink.net or me at frholden@tds.net. We would be happy to examine the item for you to determine if it could be an Artillery item. Whether the item turns out to be from the Artillery or not, we welcome the chance to look at period artifacts!




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Fundraising for Cardiac Monitor

By Caryl McEntee, Paramedic/Director, WLTEMS

Wilton-Lyndeborough-Temple Ambulance Service has mounted a Capital Campaign to purchase a 2nd Cardiac/Monitor with 12 lead capabilities, capnography, and oxygen saturation monitoring to complete our needs for special equipment for our 2nd ambulance. We use all of this data from our patient in our communications to the receiving hospital. This data allows for faster treatment and early Cardiac Catheterization if necessary.

The cost of these monitors made it very difficult for us to include in our annual budget. We hope to raise a minimum of \$20,000.

Our fund raising appeal to our three towns has raised \$10,000 to date, and we are thrilled with the outpouring of support.

The Milford Rotary has donated \$2,000 to kick off our fund drive for the remainder of the money needed for the Cardiac Monitor. We are very grateful for their generous donation.

In the very near future, we will have a donation thermometer on our service sign and one on Rte 101 to track our progress.



Thank you to all that have donated to our appeal.

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Kitchen Views

by Emily Morgan



Got Zucchini?

I found myself searching for recipes this summer that could use up some of the zucchini from my modest but prolific 4 plants. This one was a real hit and one that I will make again and again. It has the interesting quality of seeming rich without being too filling, is low in calories and is quick and easy to make. I found it tastes best when served chilled or at room temperature.



Zucchini-Basil Soup (From Gourmet Magazine)

Serves 4-6

2 lb zucchini, trimmed and cut crosswise into thirds

$\frac{3}{4}$ cup chopped onion

2 garlic cloves, chopped

$\frac{1}{4}$ cup olive oil

4 cups water, divided

$\frac{1}{3}$ cup packed basil leaves

Julienne skin only from half of zucchini (either using an adjustable-blade slicer fitted with 1/8-inch julienne attachment, or by just peeling and then cutting the peel into strips); toss with $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp salt and place in a sieve to drain until wilted, at least 20 minutes. Bring 1 cup of water to a boil in a small saucepan and blanch julienned zucchini 1 minute. Drain in a sieve. Allow to cool.

Meanwhile, coarsely chop remaining zucchini.

Cook onion and garlic in oil in a 3-4 qt heavy saucepan over medium-low heat, stirring occasionally, until softened, about 5 minutes. Add chopped zucchini and 1 tsp salt and cook, stirring occasionally, 5 minutes. Add 3 cups water and simmer, partially covered, until tender, about 15 minutes. Puree soup with basil in 2 batches in a blender.

Season soup with salt and pepper. Allow to cool to room temperature or chill and serve with julienned zucchini mounded on top.

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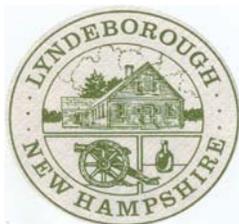
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