

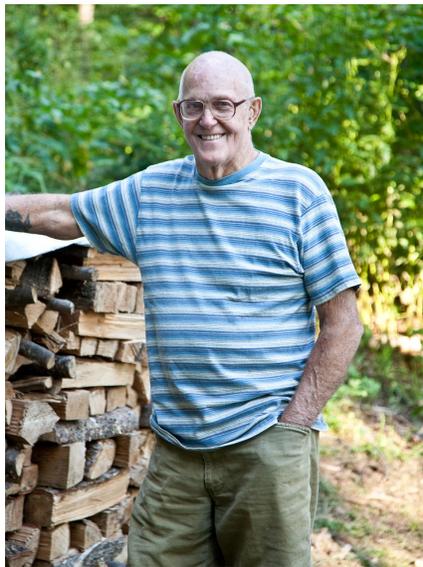


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Know Your Neighbor – Bob Mackintosh

By Nadine Preftakes

When I first came to visit Bob Mackintosh, who lives on Buck Road, I was very impressed by his beautiful home and gardens and his black miniature horse, Tigger. His wife Mary graciously served me cookies and fruit while Bob, looked at me, grinned, and commented that he had not led a very interesting life. Such was the beginning of our interview.



Bob came into the world in 1924, in Milford, Massachusetts. He first set foot in Lyndeborough in 1939 when he was just 15 years old, working for his uncle on a sawmill which was moved from Massachusetts to Gulf Road in Lyndeborough. At 17, he left Lyndeborough to serve his country as a Marine from April 7, 1942 to March 6, 1946. His specialty was hydraulics, and it was his job to keep the aircraft flying. He repaired damaged

planes, and when he declared each plane fit for service, he would fly with the pilot and co-pilot just in case he was needed. Often, he would have to lay on his back with his head underneath the instrument panel and to make sure that nothing was leaking from the hydraulic system. "If you repaired something, you had to test it," Bob said.

"And sometimes when I would ride in the dive bomber planes, I would have this irresistible urge to undo my seatbelt and just fall out. Of course we had parachutes or else I wouldn't have had the urge! Back then I was young and foolish, now I am just old and foolish."

Bob met his future bride, Mary, in 1946, when he returned from the service and went back to working at the saw mill. She lived across the road with her three

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TOWN VOTING INFORMATION

VOTING OPENS AT 10 AM FOR BOTH TOWN ELECTIONS AND THE SPECIAL ELECTION

The Town Election is March 8th from **10 am - 7 pm** at the Old Town Hall on Center Road

Town Meeting is on Saturday March 12th at Citizens Hall beginning at **10am**.

Special State General Election will be May 17th at the Old Town Hall on Center Road from 10 am – 7pm. This "Special Election" is to elect a Representative for Hillsborough District 4. NOTE: NEW START TIME!!

To the right are the filing for town offices.



<u>Office</u>	<u>People who filed</u>
Selectman	No one filed
Cemetery Trustee (1-3yr term)	Virginia Chrisenton
Library Trustee (1-3yr term)	Ann Harkleroad
Trustee of Trust Funds (1-3yr term)	No one filed
Budget Committee (3-3yr terms)	William Ball, Kevin Boette, Karen Grybko, Mike Decubellis
Zoning Board of Adjustment (2-3yr terms)	Thomas Chrisenton No one filed

Meet Lyndeborough's New Officer in Charge, Captain Thomas Burke

By Karen J. Holland

Lyndeborough will officially welcome our new officer in charge, Captain Thomas Burke on March 3. Even though he hasn't started yet, Capt. Burke has already been spending time at the police station with his officers, working with the Selectmen and meeting with other neighboring police departments.

Capt. Burke talked about his goals for the police department and how he plans on making the police a group that is accessible not only to the adults in town but to the children as well. "If we can start communicating with kids at a young age, by way of sports or school programs, then the likelihood of these kids feeling comfortable with the police is significantly higher," stated Capt Burke. He went on to say that he had done these types of programs in other towns with a high degree of success. "The goal is to be engaged at both the Lyndeborough Central School and the Wilton-Lyndeborough Co-operative and possibly after school or summer programs. We want the police to be approachable," said Burke.



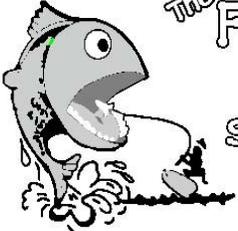
His focus with the department will be to raise the professional standard, increase the training of the officers and provide high visibility to the town. This means putting shifts in place that will give the town coverage from 7 a.m.-11 p.m. When Capt. Burke starts, he will be working 24 hours per week (three days) with two full-time and two part-time officers. In addition to his management responsibilities, he plans on doing ride-alongs with his officers.

Capt. Burke went on to say, "The Lyndeborough Police department is here to respond to all type of issues. That could be traffic accidents, burglary or domestic abuse. But I also want them to help during weather related problems and when residents need medical help. They will respond to all ambulance calls in town. We are here to serve the town, and I want the town to fully embrace the police department. The town deserves our best."

Capt. Burke has been married to Barbara for 22 years, and they have two sons. He has been in law enforcement since 1981. He spent 18 years on the Bedford police force, and during his last six years there was promoted to Captain and second in command. His responsibilities included training, scheduling, patrol division, and hiring and processing all new employees. From December 2003 until now, he has been a part-time officer at the Bedford Police department.

Capt. Burke plans on being present at both Town voting on March 8 and Town meeting on March 12. Stop by to say hi and introduce yourself.

**To the Lyndeborough Women's Club and all those who gave at Christmas time,
A super huge thank you goes out from a family that struggles to get through the winter months.
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Special Election for State Representative on May 17, 2011

Lyndeborough residents are going to the polls a second time this spring; this time to vote for a replacement for our State Representative. Representative Bob Mead was re-elected to a 3rd term in November. He stepped down in December to take the position of Chief of Staff for new Speaker of the House, William O'Brien. This has left our district under-represented in the House.

A total of four representatives share Hillsborough County's District 4: William O'Brien, William Condra, Frank Holden and the empty seat. The district is made up of New Boston, Mont Vernon, Wilton, Lyndeborough and Temple, so all five towns will participate in this election.

To help the voters decide, the Views has asked the two declared candidates to share with you why each is the best candidate.

Candidate: Jennifer Daler

My name is Jennifer Daler and I am a candidate for the NH House of Representatives, representing the towns of Hillsborough District 4 (Lyndeborough, Mont Vernon, New Boston, Temple and Wilton).

I served as the district's representative from 2006-2008. I have a Master's degree in education and currently do direct care and day program work with the developmentally disabled. I live in Temple with my husband and three children, serve on the Board of Trustees of the Temple Congregational Church and am a member of the Souhegan Lions Club.

I believe the New Hampshire House needs to re-focus on creating jobs, helping businesses grow and rebuilding our economy. With my previous experience as a representative, I will be able to hit the ground running, if elected in May.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions via e-mail at dalerforstaterep@gmail.com or by telephone at 878-2044.

Candidate: Peter Kucmas

Dear fellow citizens...

My name is Peter Kucmas (Kuchmasch) and I am running as a Republican candidate in the special election for State Representative in District 4. There are a number of reasons why I chose to get involved in New Hampshire politics, but the three closest to my heart are:

Fiscal responsibility for our government: America and New Hampshire were built on hard work, determination, freedom and a "can do" attitude. Simply said, as government continues to expand in size and in cost, individual freedoms slowly begin to be taken away. New Hampshire needs a financially responsible government that does not spend money faster than it can tax you. We need a government that acts as a cash-based system rather than on speculative future credit. Buy what you can afford (as simple as that).

Make New Hampshire enticing for business: In order for New Hampshire to grow, we must make our state welcoming to new business. Not just mega businesses, but enticing to small "mom and pap" shops that make up the majority of our economy. This is not about subsidies, but rather about a business tax code that makes it cheaper for a business to operate in New Hampshire as compared to the other states in the Union. Once businesses are welcomed into New Hampshire, jobs follow. These are real jobs not subsidized by any program that may run out at the whim of a politician's pen.

School and Family: I am an absolute believer that the future of our state and country comes from our children. I believe in strong family bonds and the principle that a family works together as a team to better themselves in all possible ways. The duty of teaching integrity, leadership, etiquette, politeness, professionalism still comes from the heart is (and should be) the responsibility of the family, but should be reinforced by the schools. I also firmly believe that education and funding of education needs to be left up to the communities and neither the state nor the nation.

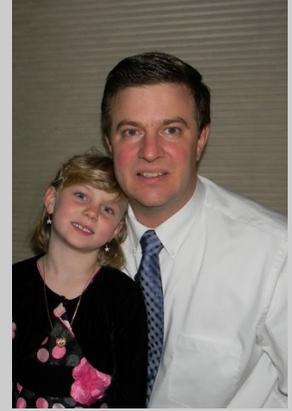
There certainly are many other issues that I feel very strongly about and would be happy to chat further. Thank you for your time and consideration. I can be reached by peter_kucmas@comcast.net

In 1969 my mother, father, grandmother and sister (at the pain of life imprisonment or death) escaped socialism from the former Czechoslovakia for the freedom and opportunity that America and New Hampshire has to offer. By being in politics, I would do whatever I can in my power to maintain the freedom of work, freedom of speech, freedom of religion, and the ultimate freedom that is kept in place by our men and women in uniform. God bless this nation, this state and give us the wisdom to focus on the future from the lessons learned by our forefathers.

Live Free or Die ...

YOUR VIEWS

Write in Candidate for Selectman: Kevin Boette



I have been a resident of the town for 12 years and have served on the Budget Committee for the last five years. I was also appointed by the Board of Selectmen to the police study commission. My family consists of my beautiful wife Michele of 15 years and two children, Jacob, age 8 in 3rd grade, and Samantha, age 6 in 1st grade. They both attend Lyndeborough Central School. I was born in New Hampshire and have lived in many areas around the United States including my time in the Army (1987-1991), but New Hampshire is the best place to be. I truly love Lyndeborough and its rural character and great, generous people. I am employed as the plant engineer for Marmon Utility LLC/Hendrix Wire & Cable in Milford.

I pledge to bring a high standard of ethics and integrity to the office of Selectman. I can't promise to lower taxes, but I will try my best to keep them as low as possible, and not spend any of your money unless it is absolutely necessary, just as I have done for you on the Budget Committee. I do promise to do my best and to be honest and forthcoming with the citizens of Lyndeborough. I would appreciate your vote on Tuesday March 8, 2011, and look forward to serving the town.

SAU 63's Proposed Grade 6 Move

By Diane Bell

I sat in on the SAU63 School Board meeting on February 15th. The topic of the evening was the school board's proposal to move the 6th graders from Lyndeborough Central School (LCS) and from Florence Rideout Elementary School (FRES) to the Wilton/Lyndeborough Middle and High School Cooperative (WLC) building. The move would resolve space issues for the elementary schools, especially Lyndeborough's ongoing issue as to where to put our mandated Kindergarten. As a parent of a 4th grader who could possibly be in the first 6th grade class to make the move, I have several concerns.

I have heard many parents make the claim that the kids would fare well in the move and that middle schools of grade 6-8 are the norm these days, but I am not convinced that it should be, especially when the middle school shares a building with the High School. Currently, I just don't feel like the 6th graders are ready emotionally to make the move. As far as LCS is concerned, the staff has a great mentoring program in place. I think the program gives the 6th graders a wonderful chance to learn empathy as well as build their self confidence, something they need to make the leap to Middle School. Our 6th grade class takes time every day for recess. I would like to know if recess for a middle school 6th grade is possible with a new schedule and a shared building.

The claim that the middle school children have little interaction with the High School students is one that rings false. There are many areas that the middle school students will use on a daily and weekly basis that will put them near areas the high school uses and will have them traveling through hallways together. The move may eliminate space issues for the elementary schools, but it may create problems at the high school. When given a tour of the building we could see that the classrooms proposed for middle school use are already in use for other purposes. Taking them away from the current users will undoubtedly have some negative results.

We were shown the separate entrances that the middle and high school students will use. Separate entrance/exits are helpful, but the fact remains that both areas of the building are easily accessible to all students as well as to the general public. The students from LCS will be coming from a school with high safety/lockdown standards. I would like to see that taken under consideration in a possible move.

Space is not the only issue. The addition of a new grade to the building will put a strain on staff and programming, which could affect every student. We heard very little from staff members about their concerns and how they might be addressed. Unfortunately, I could not ask them directly because the question and answer period was cut short. I would love to hear more from them, as well as from the staff at FRS and at WLC, and what their pros and cons are in regarding the proposed move.

More questions come up daily. I feel we need more time and more precise answers to our questions before we can make a community decision. The vote on March 4 will grant the School Board the ability to make the decision for us. As a parent, I have a great respect for the School Board and for all they do (voluntarily) for our children. That said I am not ready to lay this problem at the feet of the School Board and walk away. I think more time is needed and other options offered before we give away our voice as parents and taxpayers.

YOUR VOTE MATTERS

By Geoff Brock, Chairman of School Board

The Wilton Lyndeborough District meeting is Friday March 4 at 7 p.m . It will be your opportunity to vote on several important issues affecting education for our kids and our tax rate. Please come out and vote.

In addition to the usual issues of school budget and capital reserve accounts to support the operations of the school, we will be voting on a possible move of the 6th grade to the Co-op from the elementary schools, a new combined teacher contract, and a possible addition to Lyndeborough Central School.

The school board is very excited about being able to present to our voters for the first time, a number of good options so that they can choose and vote for their top choice.

While there is always an additional improvement that can be made on an educational facility, this year's proposals attempt to provide space to bring kindergarten into the district as required by state law by 2012-2013 and to provide much needed special education space and handicap accessible bathrooms. These needs have been identified by a number of studies and a solution has been approved by a majority of voters in the past. However, in the past we were only able to offer one solution and we were unable to garner the super majority required to take action.

On the good news side the delay has allowed us to be able to find an additional solution due to consolidation. Here are the choices:

1. Vote for a 3-room addition that will be bonded for 5 or 10 years. It will provide space for Kindergarten, special education, handicap accessible bathrooms, and better library/computer facilities. It would also allow for additional growth of the Lyndeborough elementary school population and/or additional programming. This option would cost a \$175,000 median home owner approximately \$126.35 a year for 5 years or \$85.75 a year for 10 years. (\$.72 per \$1,000 - 5 yrs or \$.49 per \$1,000 - 10 yrs).
2. Amend the 3-room addition article to be a 2-room addition which will also be bonded and allow for Kindergarten, special education, handicap accessible bathrooms, and—if the 6th grade is moved to the Co-op—better library/computer facilities and a chance to support growth of the Lyndeborough elementary school population. This option would cost a median home owner approximately \$84.58 a year for five years. (\$.48 per \$1,000 – five yrs).
3. Vote for a 1-room addition which would not be bonded. This addition would allow for Kindergarten, handicap accessible bathrooms, and—if the 6th grade is moved to the Co-op—it would provide the required space for special education. If the 6th grade is not moved it will eliminate our computer lab. The estimated cost for this choice is a one time expense of \$189,000 after 75% kindergarten state aid. It would cost the median home owner an additional \$199.50 next year. (\$1.14 per \$1,000 – 1 year).
4. Vote to move the 6th grade to the Co-op. This choice will change where services will be provided, but is not expected to have a major cost impact. It will however free up one room at Lyndeborough Central School.
5. Vote down all additions and the 6th grade move forcing the board to come up with another solution, most likely a portable class room at Lyndeborough Central School.

SCHOOL WARRANT ARTICLES COULD IMPACT YOUR TAXES!!

By Karen Grybko

LCS Addition on Warrant AGAIN!

Fact: The taxpayers voted an addition down multiple times.

Shall we send the 6th grade students to the Middle School?

Fact: When the addition was put on the school, it was designed and built with the 6th grade in mind.

New teachers' contract will add 11% to current salary line over 3 years.

Fact: 11% is an average; some could get more and others less. This money is to be used to align salaries in the three schools. Therefore it does not include step increases or cost of living, which benefits all teacher salaries.

How will it impact Lyndeborough's current rate/1000?

Fact: The school budget is approximately 70% of the tax rate. Each \$167,000 approved will impact your tax rate by \$1/1000. Lyndeborough pays approximately 25% of the school budget, although we will pay 100% of any building addition to LCS.

New Addition for the Police Department

By Jim Bingham, Town Administrator

Since early July the Board of Selectmen has been focusing their attention on improving and expanding the work space for the Lyndeborough Police Department. It is common knowledge that the present facility in Citizens' Hall is seriously inadequate for supporting the functions and duties of law enforcement, even for a quiet town like Lyndeborough. The town currently has an over-reliance on the Wilton Police Department for processing arrests, detention of individuals and storage of evidence, all done using their facilities. This generous arrangement has helped our town for a number of years; however, there is no guarantee how much longer Wilton will be able to support our police department in this manner. Besides, a night of multiple arrests in Wilton could have our one officer on duty waiting in Wilton for hours to handle his small matter, thus keeping him from his patrol duties in town.

Seeing this critical issue, the board selected an architect, Michael Petrovick of Francestown, from six qualified firms that submitted proposals and has been meeting regularly since the fall reviewing the functional space needs of the department and ensuring that the proposed facility addresses current police standards and legal obligations in an affordable manner. The new addition on Citizens' Hall space needs to accommodate the potential for growth as well as immediately handle many of the functions that the Wilton Police Department provides the town. The new addition also needs to blend esthetically with our historic town hall and the Historic District. Both the Historic Commission and Heritage Commission are playing a role in this planning to ensure that.

The board is learning that designing and constructing a public facility, a municipal building, is very different than building a residential structure. There is a wholly different and more demanding set of building codes and administrative obligations that residential contraction does not have to consider. However, the Board believes that it will have a good and reasonable design for a new police department space to present to the voters at the town meeting that will meet the needs of the town for years to come and, with the help Burton Reynolds, the CIP committee chair, will be able to discuss reasonable options for funding this construction.

Citizens' Hall Renovation Update

By Jim Bingham, Town Administrator

Citizens attending our Town Meeting on March 12 will see a significant difference and (hopefully) an improvement in the second floor hall. Since the building has a new roof, we began the next phase of restoration, which is refurbishing the second floor hall and stage, starting with the walls. The chair of the Historic District Commission and the Heritage Commission were updated and consulted about this project.



The water-stained and peeling wall plaster that had been gradually separating from the lattes had to be taken down and a new coat of plaster has been applied. This process started in the spring with locating qualified wall contractors with experience in historic restoration. There are very few contractors with such knowledge, and it was a challenge to negotiate an acceptable work contract and fit this project into the contractor's schedule. We are pleased that we were able to contract Jamie Conway the proprietor of Conway Painting & Drywall of Peterborough. He committed to the project within budget and promised to have it completed by the first week in March, in time for Town Meeting.

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Funky yet Sophisticated = Mrs. Parker

By Katya Lutz

Hi! I hope that everyone is doing well! Just as I promised in the last edition, I have interviewed Mrs. Amy Parker, Lyndeborough Central School's (LCS) new art teacher, who drives a stylin' cream-colored Mini Cooper.

Mrs. Parker is married with one son. She has one older sister and one younger sister, which leaves her in the middle. Mrs. Amy Parker earned her undergraduate degree at Smith College, and her Master's Degree at Lesley College. She has taught in many places including, Merrimack, Chelmsford, the Worcester Art Museum, and currently works in Clark's Elementary in Amherst in addition to LCS. Mrs. Parker is also a local artist, who paints pictures of things to give to others and just to keep. There was one story that she told me that I really liked. She told me that one of her friend's beloved cats died. So, Mrs. Parker painted a picture of her cat...and the painting was BEAUTIFUL!!!

I asked Mrs. Parker if she would care to share some of her thoughts on why she likes art, and a couple other things, and she enthusiastically replied, "I have wanted to be an artist for as long as I can remember. I like art because it is unique and creative. I have the greatest job in the world because I get to teach what I love. The students in this school are awesome. They are so friendly and talented and I enjoy working with the children. I have SO much fun teaching at LCS!"

Mrs. Amy Parker has many favorites. She thinks that turquoise is the bomb right now, although her favorite color changes all the time. Her favorite cuisine is lobster. YUM! Oil painting is her favorite kind of art. Did I mention that the fun and fantastic Mrs. Parker also LOVES antique shopping? Well, she does!

Mrs. Amy Parker came to our school in September. In my opinion, she is a really talented artist. Most importantly, her patience and encouragement of all the students is what makes her an awesome teacher. All the kids in the 6th grade class agree that Mrs. Parker is a hip, talented, fun, and very friendly artist.

For my next edition, I am probably going to write about a really fun and cool project my class did. Bye for now!



Amy Parker and Katya

Winter Farmer's Market Opens in Milford -Support Your Local Merchants

Locally grown produce and goods are now available at the newly formed Milford Winter Farmer's Market held monthly from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. in the Milford Town Hall Auditorium. Opening day was Saturday, February 19 and there was a terrific turnout. The scheduled dates are the first Saturdays of the month: March 5, April 2, and May 7.

Over 18 vendors will be participating, selling a variety of locally grown meats including elk, turkey, beef, pork and chicken, as well as fresh eggs, milk, winter vegetables, canned preserves, baked goods, and handcrafted items. Farmers and vendors interested in participating, can contact coordinator Karina Bertrand at 673-9489, karina@artstorymusic.com.

Shown below are the vendors. Lyndeborough vendors are highlighted.

DJ's Pure Natural Honey, Manchester, NH. Honey products.

House by the Side of the Road, Wilton, NH. Potted plants and herbs.

Paradise Farm, Lyndeborough, NH. Grass fed beef, farm fresh eggs and raw honey.

Will n' Rose's Natural Foods, New Boston, NH. Grain, nut, and fruit mixes, Kizos.

Debbie D's Homemade, Epping, NH. Jams, pickles and relishes.

Michele's Sweet Shoppe, LLC, Merrimack, NH. Gourmet Popcorn (only on May market).

Spring Creek Elk Farm, Milford, NH. Elk meat and dog chews (from hard elk antler).

Trombly Gardens, Milford, NH. Beef, pork, winter squash, apples, honey, maple syrup, CSA shares, taking milk orders.

EJ's Baking, Lyndeborough, NH. Small pies, whoopie pies, small quick breads, cookies.

Clayton's Way Farm Soaps, Londonderry, NH.

Northwood Naturals, Northwood, NH. Naturally and organically derived skin care.

Maple Lane Farm, Lyndeborough, NH. Pies, baked goods and jams.

Sweet Melissa's Kitchen, LLC, Madbury, NH. Whole grain breads, specialty pies and pastries.

Hidden Hill Farm Alpacas, LLC, Antrim, NH. Alpaca wool.

Mountain Farm, Sutton, NH. Beef, Pork, Chicken, Turkey and Raw Milk.

Kelly Corner Farm, Chichester, NH. Lamb, chicken, duck, eggs, and turkey.

Forest House Herbals, Wilton, NH. Handmade herbal soaps.

Random Hills Farm, Weare, NH. Sprouts and greens.



The Auditorium is located on the 3rd floor of the Milford Town Hall, 1 Union Square (on the Oval). The 3rd floor is handicap accessible via the elevator located on Middle Street. The Milford Winter Farmer's Market is co-sponsored by the Milford Downtown Ongoing Improvement Team, DO-IT in partnership with the Town of Milford. For more information, telephone 672-4567.

Happenings Around Town

Town Easter Egg Hunt

The Easter Bunny is coming to the Town Hall on Sunday April 17, 2011. He will arrive by fire truck at 1:00 pm to signal the beginning of the Easter Egg Hunt. Sponsored by the Lyndeborough Fire Department Auxiliary.



J.A. Tarbell Library OPEN HOUSE

The J.A. Tarbell Library is inviting everyone to a Grand Opening celebration on Sunday, May 1, 2011 from 1 - 5 p.m. Come see the wonderful new space your support has provided for the town. Check out our reading room, see what expanded services we can now offer and enjoy refreshments and music. We hope to see you all there. It's the Library's 100th birthday and our librarian's 30th year there.

SAVE THE DATE – Lyndeborough's 5th Annual Community Day – August 20th

This year's Community Day is shaping up to be the best ever. In addition to your favorite events like the Civil War reenactment, Silent Auction, and the Magic Show you will find new speakers and the addition of a Scavenger Hunt for kids. We are working on adding more new items as well. The steak BBQ will be back as will Sweet Tooth to serenade you while you enjoy dinner under the tent.

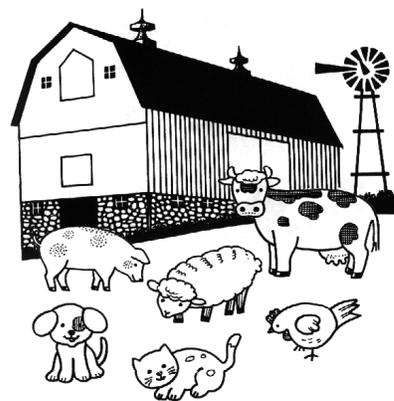
We will have more information in the June issue of the Views and will post updated information on the town's web site, <http://town.lyndeborough.nh.us>.

We are always looking for donations of services or products from town businesses or folks in town for the Silent Auction. If you would like to donate anything please contact Ellen Pomer, 654-5420 or ellenpomer@mac.com.

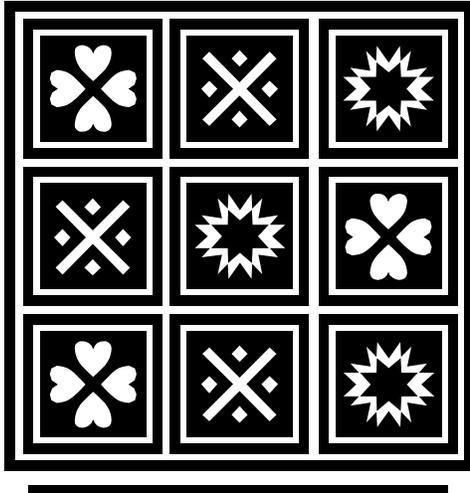
Lyndeborough Open Farm Tour Planned

August 21st 9am—4 pm

Please plan to join us for Lyndeborough's first farm tour. We are planning this event for the day after Community Day. We are looking for farms in the area that would like to participate and showcase their products/services, etc. We will be advertising in the local papers, magazines, and the Lyndeborough Views for better attendance. As we get closer to the date we will be sending out more detailed information which will include the farms participating, a small write up about them, and a map showing locations. If you would like to be included please contact Karen Grybko, 654-5362 or kgrybko@live.com.



So far the following Farms/ vendors are participating: Maple Lane Farm, Paradise Farm, Feel Good Farm, Ledge Top Farm, Peace of Earth (mushrooms), The Maple Guys, Redneck Farm & the Fishn Shanty.



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Holiday Season 2010

Left: Mel Fredette, Santa and Bernard the Elf at the annual Tree Lighting Ceremony on December 5th. Mel was honored this year to light the tree.

Right: Chloe Grace, a second grader at LCS, helped decorate the school for their Thanksgiving Feast.



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Thank You to Our Fine Community

Last August, my life was forever changed by the death of my wonderful husband, Erik. Shortly after his unexpected death, some really amazing ladies of Lyndeborough got together and coordinated a benefit dinner to help out our family. My 3 children and I were greatly touched by the many people who attended the dinner and those who volunteered their time to cook and serve. We were so overwhelmed at the outpouring of our small community. It was apparent to us that the hearts of the citizens of Lyndeborough are quite large. So many people rallied to support us and yet most of them didn't even know us. We were also touched by the very sweet gesture of the students at the Lyndeborough Central School. They put together their change and their generosity and raised money for our family. This spoke volumes to us as to the love of this community because my children don't even attend the public schools here in town, so these students didn't even know them. God truly worked through this remarkable community during a very difficult time in our lives. We wanted to take the time to say a big thank you to all who contributed to our family. We pray that you will be greatly blessed in return.

Sincerely,
Samantha, Ryan, Daniel, and Valerie Higgins

Dear Neighbors,

Our family has been richly blessed this season and would like to extend our gratitude. We live among angels in the form of friends and neighbors. Even though presents are not the meaning of Christmas, caring for one another is a huge part of what Christmas is all about. We have gone through a few years of upheaval and this past year was especially trying and taxing on our budget and our spirits. So when we found our living room full of presents Christmas morning in large part due to the generosity of the people of Lyndeborough, it was easy to understand why anyone would love living here. We felt very grateful for the love and generosity of those who took the time to take a tag from the tree at the library. The children spent a large part of Christmas day opening and enjoying their gifts. We especially would like to thank the Women's Club for donating the laptop computer. It has already become a valued tool in our home.

With gratitude and love we look forward to living here and serving among such wonderful people. Thank you to the caring citizens of Lyndeborough, from recent recipients of selfless, enduring Christ-like love.



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CHECK OUT TOWN EVENTS ON THE WEB!!!

Visit the Town of Lyndeborough's Web Site for current information, calendar of events and other town information.

<http://town.lyndeborough.nh.us/>

Look for the full color version of the Lyndeborough Views while you are there!!

LAUNCH Art



Check out Annie Holt's Photography at the Launch Art Gallery in Peterborough

On April 1st, Launch Art Gallery will be displaying Historical American Figures, 1690 – 1865. These photographs were taken by Lyndeborough's Annie Holt. The exhibit will also include the people who posed for the photographs in costume. You will see some familiar faces, i.e., Abe Lincoln, Capt. Walter Holland, Sergeant Kent Perry, and Rhonda Watts.

Launch Art shows progressive, contemporary works from emerging artists who are not currently signed with a gallery. It's a catalyst for artists who are often on the less traditional and more conceptual side of art. Launch Art's home is in a wonderful, well lit, old rooming house on Grove St in Peterborough. For more information go to: www.annieholtphotography.com or www.launchart.net.

If you go: April 1st, 5:30 pm—8:00 pm, 28 Grove St., 2nd floor, Peterborough, NH.

Left: Sergeant Kent Perry, Confederate Cavalry 43rd VA

Lyndeborough Views Photo Contest Being Extended

The photo contest deadline is being extended to June 1st. Thank you for those that submitted photos. Please contact Karen Holland, kjh1@tds.net with any questions.



Introducing the New Lafayette Artillery Logo

The Lafayette Artillery is unveiling a new logo designed by members and Lyndeborough resident and graphic artist Kris Henry of BLACKCAPstudio.

"We wanted a logo that represented the Artillery, our close ties to New Hampshire, and the town of Lyndeborough", said Captain Walter Holland. "The Lafayette Artillery Co never really had a true logo before, and Kris did a great job incorporating our ideas and capturing the feel of the Company".

Please stop by the Artillery's booth on March 8th during Town voting, and look at all the new items they have to offer.

And.....Don't forget, during town voting, the Artillery will have their wonderful food stand where you can purchase local homemade baked goods and a yummy lunch. This time they are offering pulled pork sandwiches, shepards pie, and corn chowder. Remember all proceeds go to support the Lafayette Artillery.





LCS Learns About NH's History

Sandy Danos from the New Hampshire Historical Society came to Lyndeborough Central School to teach history to the third, fourth and fifth grades. The third grade was presented with a lesson in early education, the fourth grade was able to experience Native Americans and the fifth grade played a game involving lessons in Colonial history.

Left: 4th Graders Danya Bell, Alicia Borges and Emeria Longvale touching a beaver pelt.

Right: Lucas Johnson, grade 3, holding a slate and bell.



Preserving Lyndeborough's Heritage

By Trish Schultz, Town Clerk/Tax Collector

In 2006 I applied for a Vital Records Improvement Fund Grant. In order to receive the grant the first step in the process was to have an assessment done by a consultant with the Northeast Document Conservation Center in Andover, Massachusetts. The consultant came to our office and proceeded to ask questions about Citizens' Hall, the security, lighting, where the records are housed and what we would like to see done to help preserve the records. The next step was to put a list together of items we wanted to purchase through the grant. These items included two fireproof storage cabinets and to have three of our vital records books rebound and preserved by Browns River Bindery. The total of the grant was ten thousand dollars. In July of 2010 a representative for Browns River came to the office and explained the process of preserving the old record books. The price to repair and preserve the three books would cost \$3740.00. The representative took the three volumes with him and in approximately 14 weeks we received the books back. The pages are enclosed in special archival material and placed in custom post binders. All vital records are now kept in the new fireproof cabinets, as are all the town reports. Any one is able to come down and view records that are open to the public.



MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES Schedule of Events – May 29th, 2011

Time	Location
9:30 am	Memorial Day Observance with the Lafayette Artillery Co. at Lyndeborough Center Old Town Hall
10:45 am	Procession to Center Cemetery for memorial service, prayers, and rifle salutes
11:15 am	Procession to South Cemetery for memorial service, prayers and rifle salutes
1 pm	Memorial Day procession and parade in South Lyndeborough. Memorial service, prayers, rifle salutes at Heroes' Stones, band concert, and guest speakers on the Village Green. The Lafayette Artillery will fire the cannon at the end of the services.

9 am – 1 pm

Plant, book and bake sale will be held this year at the J.A. Tarbell Library and is sponsored by the Friends of the Library. Proceeds from the book and bake sale will benefit the library addition fund. The plant sale will benefit the Garden Club. Donations of books, plants or baked goods are appreciated. Please plan to stop by and support all the organizations.



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brothers and one sister. Bob and Mary did many things that young couples still do: Bowling, movies, swimming and hanging out at the Village Store which was called "Pop Jones" back then. They married in 1947 and went on a honeymoon to Nova Scotia, taking the boat from Boston to Yarmouth. Bob continued working at the saw mill, but when inclement weather kept him away from the mill he would plow snow for the state highway department. "Even if there was only two inches of snow, the plows would be called." Plowing was accomplished using an old GMC logging truck. If the snow was fluffy it would fly into the engine and short out the truck. To get around this problem, Bob would carry a five gallon container of kerosene that he would use to pour on the engine and restart the truck. It was cold getting in and out of the truck, but it got the job done.

Volunteering kept Bob involved in the community in a number of different capacities. He served on the Wilton Lions Club from 1958 to 1960 holding the positions of Vice President, President and Zone Chairman. He was the Fire Chief in town for three years and also Chief of Police from 1968 to 1970. He served on the Budget Committee and the original Board of Adjustment. He has seen a lot of changes in the town and remembers when there was no fire department and the police department consisted of one man, Elmer Cook. In succeeding years Bob stated that the few members of the police department "operated on a \$300 a year budget, had no uniforms, used their own cars, bought their own gas and had only one 32 caliber handgun, but not sure if they had any ammunition or not." Fred Nelson was the answering service and they used two way radios. "We were extremely busy too. We had a few drug busts, lots of break-ins and one unfortunate suicide."

Bob and Mary loved going to Florida in the winter months and while they there, they both volunteered their time and talents to Habitat for Humanity. One day a week, they helped build homes doing anything and everything from floors to siding to shingling roofs.

Traveling is in their blood. The couple has managed to visit every state in the Union, except Hawaii. They have been to Alaska twice and seen much of Canada. They have also been to Europe, the Caribbean and Puerto Rico. In 1972, their three children surprised them with a trip to Ireland, Scotland and England for their 25th anniversary.

In 1968, they bought a trailer that Bob outfitted with shelves for canned food and tenting gear. They towed this Chuck Wagon behind a Falcon Convertible and took a trip to Disneyland, California. Mary said that she kept a diary of their travels and adventures, and the children made scrapbooks. In every state they traveled they visited something of historical significance. The family saw the Grand Canyon, the Badlands, Yellowstone National Park, and many other historical places. Mary recorded in her journal that the trip lasted six weeks and three days and cost just \$700.

Bob still loves using his chain saw. Four years ago, he went outside to cut down a tree that was leaning and about to fall on their camper. He had on the necessary safety gear but when he made the cut, the top of the tree broke and came down and hit him on the top of the head. He dropped the saw and fell to the ground thinking that he had broken his neck. Finally, he realized that he could move and needed to get up on his own. He walked back to the house with his head bleeding, and when Mary met him at the door she almost passed out. Bob got himself together and went back out to finish the job that he had started. However, he began to feel bad and so Mary took him to the emergency room where X-rays were taken. They discovered that his neck was fine but that he had an aneurism in his aorta and underwent surgery to correct the problem. Bob quipped, "Good thing I got hit in the head!"

Never one to shy away from what needs to be accomplished, Bob prides himself on being the main caretaker for his home and four acres. He cares for his horse Tigger, plows the snow, mows the lawn, puts in a large vegetable garden and

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Displaying Lyndeborough's Rich History

The Lafayette Artillery and the Lyndeborough Historical Society want you to know about Lyndeborough's history. That's why we have worked with the Selectmen to install a beautiful display case on the bottom floor of Citizens' Hall.

The display case will hold a continuing rotation of historical artifacts that are associated with Lyndeborough. These artifacts will be on loan from various town organizations and from local citizens.

We also need your help in raising funds for the case. The total cost of the case is \$500. Both the Lafayette Artillery and the Historical Society have each donated \$100 so we need to raise the balance of \$300. We will be taking contributions during town voting on March 8th and during Town Meeting on March 12th.

Also, for those of you who didn't make the New Hampshire Glass Exhibit in Peterborough the Artillery is selling programs from this event. The program contains wonderful information on NH's glass makers and a great overview of the Lyndeborough Glass Company. The price is only \$7.95. You can purchase the program during town voting at the Artillery food booth and at Citizens' Hall. Proceeds will go towards the purchase of the display case.

If you have questions, are interested in displaying a historical item, purchase a program, or want to donate funds for the display case please contact Karen Holland, 654-2480 or kjh1@tds.net.

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cuts and stacks wood for the winter. Some advice he has for people of all ages is, "Set your sights high and go for them and don't let anyone say you can't. Don't be afraid of hard work."

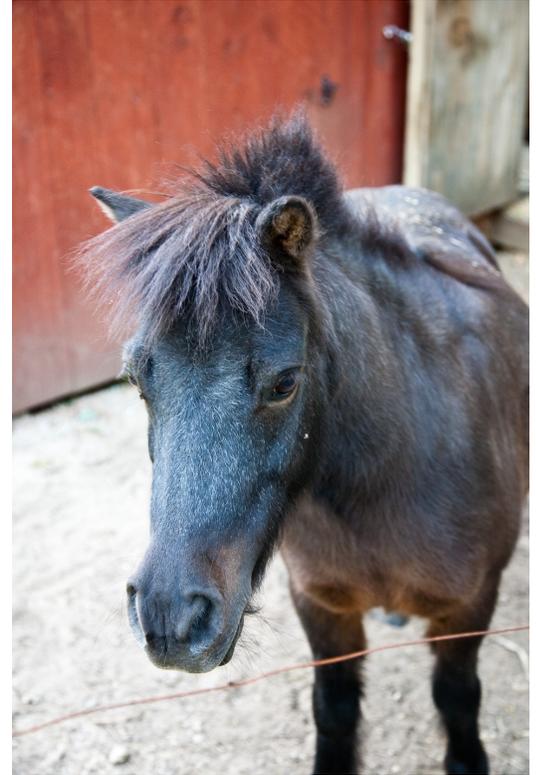
Out of Bob's 87 years, 72 of them have been spent in Lyndeborough. In this time he has given much to the community. He says he loves this town because it is rural, and although Bob and Mary have traveled to many states and countries, they always returned to Lyndeborough, the place they call home.

I spoke with Mary a few days before I finished writing my article, and I told her that I felt my words on paper were woefully inadequate to define the essence of who Bob is as a person. She understood completely and candidly remarked, "You live your life day to day, never really thinking about the sum total of all the events and experiences in your life. Then you look back at photographs, at scrapbooks and memories and you realize all that you have accomplished and all that you have become."

Bob's talents and experiences are vast and varied. He has worked as a sawmill worker, carpenter and plumber. He was a police chief, fire chief, snow plow operator and brick layer. He created stained glass pieces and built fine furniture. He has flown and repaired airplanes. He volunteered his time to the Wilton Lions Club, Habitat for Humanity and the J. A. Tarbell Library in Lyndeborough. He is a husband, father, grandfather, and great grandfather.

In my humble opinion, Bob Mackintosh has lived a rich life filled with adventures that many of us never get the chance to experience. He has taken the talents that he was given and used them to better himself, his family, his community, and his country. I know I was not able to record and capture all of the events in this remarkable man's life, but perhaps just knowing a little bit about who Bob is as a person, is enough to inspire all of us.

Oh and did I mention Bob's sense of humor? An uninteresting life?... I think not.



Bob's miniature horse Tigger.

Peterborough Historical Society to Showcase the Civil War

The year 2011 marks the 150th anniversary of the start of the American Civil War. In honor of the sesquicentennial, the Peterborough Historical Society plans a year-long series with an exhibit, a Civil War Ball, a Civil War Historic Dinner, lectures and a Memorial Day weekend commemoration that includes a Civil War encampment, living history presentations, a parade and ceremonies.

The exhibit will open on March 25, 2011 at the Peterborough Historical Society and be on view until October 29, 2011. Through archival photographs, diaries, letters, and Civil War artifacts the exhibit examines the impact of the war on the local area and the men and women who answered the nation's call to service. Among the artifacts and stories on display will be the Congressional Medal of Honor awarded to Osgood Hadley of Peterborough for his valor near Pegram House, the bible that saved Jonathan Felt's life and the bullet that nearly killed him and a portrait of Katie Cummings, one of the two Peterborough women lost in the war.

The year's activities begin with the opening of the Civil War exhibit on Friday, March 25. The gala opening features a Civil War Ball at 7:30 p.m. led by historian David Millstone with music by the band Spare Parts.

Lyndeborough's own Lafayette Artillery Company will be participating in the reenactment and parade as well as placing some of their historical artifacts on display.

Information about the exhibit, events, and Memorial Day weekend commemoration can be found on our website, www.PeterboroughHistory.org. To receive a program guide and be added to our mailing list, send us an email at info@PeterboroughHistory.org or call the Historical Society at 924-3235.

Souhegan Valley - Community Supported Agriculture (CSA)

by Tom Mitchell, Ledge Top Farm, Wilton

CSA's are a trend that is expanding in our area and around the country. Local consumers of fresh produce support their local farmers by pre-buying their fruits and vegetables, milk, and meat early in the season. This is the time when farmers have the most expenses and the least income. In return for customer support, the farmers provide produce during the growing season. Some CSA's may also welcome help with farm chores as partial payment for their food.

CSA's were founded in Europe and Japan in the 1960's. Farmers and consumers formed a cooperative to assure a safe and sustainable food supply. The idea was brought to America in the mid 1980's by Trauger Groh who founded the Wilton-Temple Community Farm (<http://templewiltoncommunityfarm.com>). CSA's are all over the country now and represent a significant portion of a farm's income.

There are many different structures to CSA membership. It varies from being a farmer member in the operation to being strictly a consumer of the farm's products. Many CSA's have a "share" that you can purchase, and for that share you will receive a set amount of produce available per week throughout the growing season. Sometimes extra produce can be purchased outside of the CSA share you receive. Many CSA's have set times for pick up, once or twice a week. The down side of a traditional CSA is that you may receive products you don't use or want, or volumes you can't handle, or not enough of what you wanted.

There are variations to make the CSA more consumer-friendly. Some CSA's are set up so you pay fixed amounts but can choose your product selection and use a farm-supplied debit card to "spend" your CSA credit. Other farms allow variable amounts to be committed to the CSA, and the consumer redeems their credit at will as the season progresses. This system allows the consumer flexibility to help the farmer and still get a choice in type and quantity of products.

What does the farm get from the CSA structure? The CSA farm or farm organization is able to have a better idea of cash flow early in the year. If the majority of the business for the farm is from the CSA, then it allows for better budget planning and uses the resources of the farm to provide the most benefit for the members of the CSA. The farmer has an early source of income when there might not be anything available to sell. This money can be used for seed and fertilizer purchases to get the farm going without the farm having to borrow. The farmer also is assured that there is an outlet for the farm products already established. Fresh produce markets may vary, but CSA farmers already know they have consumers for their products. For CSA's that make labor an integral part of the commitment, the farmer has a ready and committed supply of labor.

What does the customer get from the CSA? Customers know first-hand the quality of the produce and the integrity of the farmer. Locally-grown, organic, biodynamic, and conventional agriculture methods are all available from the CSA's in our region. Vegetables, berries, apples, peaches, milk, meat, and eggs can be found at the CSA's. You can be assured of fresh, high-quality products, grown by people you know. Not having to use cash when buying your produce is also a plus for some consumers. The consumer can also be assured that they are keeping that farmer in business. When the farmer stays in business, more land stays out of the hands of developers. Locally-grown means fewer resources are expended to get you the products that you need. You can also participate directly in the farm in a trade-for-work situation, which gives you the true sense of eating what you've helped to grow. Of course, you also share the farmer's risk: When nature doesn't provide enough rain or warm temperatures, then your harvest choices may not be as good. But the freshness of the products cannot be equaled by any supermarket.

CSA farms in the area:

Wilton-Temple Community Farm, bio-dynamic cooperative farm, contact Anthony Graham at agraham@tellink.net or call at (603) 654-5751

Holland Farm in Milford - where CSA is the focus of our farm - pesticide free vegetables, with a large PYO garden, contact Marcy O'Connell - www.hollandfarmcsa.com - 603-673-0667

Ledge Top Farm in Wilton - chemical free vegetables, berries and eggs, contact Tom Mitchell at 654-6002 or visit ledge-topfarm.com

McCloud Orchards in Milford - includes vegetables, apples and flowers, visit us at www.mcleodorchards.com or call 673-3544

Trombly Gardens in Milford - includes vegetable, berries, beef, pork, contact tromblygardens@yahoo.com

Country Dreams CSA in Nashua - accepts Visa and MasterCard, visit countrydreamsfarmCSA.com or contact Drema Cady at 878-3437 or drema@countrydreamsfarmCSA.com.



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