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Update on Memorial Park

By Dr. Stephanie Roper

The South Lyndeborough village common has seen some notable improvements this fall. The efforts of the Monuments Committee and the Heritage Commission have combined to complement the existing features in the memorial park. Three new additions have added to the alterations made over the past four years to transform the common into a proper memorial park.

The Heritage Commission has installed a white double-sided sign telling the history of the buildings on the nearby site of the train depot on one side and a short history of South Lyndeborough on the other. This is the first of an expected series of signs, one erected every year, with Lyndeborough Center on the docket for 2014. The commission feels that these signs are a good way to show our pride in Lyndeborough's accomplishments through history.

Meanwhile, the Monuments Committee has introduced a new monument to the common. A large granite slab that had once been used as a step into Citizens' Hall was moved and cemented into place in between the existing memorials for World War I and World War II and the Korean Conflict. The committee intends to have two bronze plaques made for this new memorial, one to honor veterans of the Vietnam War and a second for American military actions since Vietnam. Once completed, we hope that this new memorial will be a permanent display of Lyndeborough's pride and gratitude in its townspeople, who have served in the United States Armed Forces during wartime.

The third addition this fall has been a brick patio in front of the three monuments. The patio is the start of a planned walkway from the road to the monuments, around the flagpole. This patio includes the engraved bricks that people have ordered over the last three years. So far, around eighty of the bricks have been engraved and will serve as lasting legacies in the park. The money collected for the engraved bricks will be used to buy the bronze plaques and make other improvements to the common. No taxpayer money is being spent on these enhancements, and as always, the work this fall has been entirely provided by volunteers. Among those who have donated their time are

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Lyndeborough Planning Board Seeking New Members

If you are interested and would like to be involved, the Planning Board has an open seat for an alternate member. For more information just visit an upcoming meeting or call the clerk at 654-5111. The Board meets the third Wednesday of the month but the next meeting will be held January 16 at 7:30pm at Citizens' Hall.

Community Policing as the Primary Strategy for the Town of Lyndeborough Police

By Chief Rainsford G. Deware, III

Traditionally, local law enforcement has concerned itself primarily with preventing and solving crimes such as, burglary, theft, and robbery—crimes that have an immediate visible impact on the local community and affect citizen quality of life. The Lyndeborough Police Department (LPD) is committed to doing more than just this! Our strategy includes, but is not limited to, the creation of effective partnerships with the community and other public and private sector resources, the application of problem solving strategies or tactics, and the transformation of the agencies organization.

As you may know, I have recently been appointed Lyndeborough's Chief of Police. In an effort to bring the best possible service to the citizens of the town, I would like everyone to know that the LPD's philosophy is one of community oriented policing, which will lead to crime prevention, intelligence gathering, and information sharing. In order to do this and be successful, I will need the help of every stakeholder. Community policing is based on the notion that citizens should be empowered to prevent crime or the problems that lead to crime. Establishing and maintaining mutual trust between the

After being sworn-in as Chief of Police Rance Deware shares a special moment with his wife Lisa Deware as she pinned his new police chief badge on him. *Photo by Kathleen Humphreys*

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JOYFUL CHOICE WELLNESS CENTER

269 Savage Rd., Milford (603) 703-6559

Nestled into a quiet wooded area off Savage Road in Milford, you will find the Joyful Choice Wellness Center. The center, located in the back of a log home, is bright and airy, filled with windows that look out onto a serene forest.

Since she was a child, Heather Stickney, owner of Joyful Choice Wellness Center, has had the desire to do something to help others. Heather grew up in Milford and after graduating from UNH with a degree in Hotel Business Management and Food Service, moved to Las Vegas where she ran several restaurants. When she became manager of the Cheesecake Factory, she requested and was granted a transfer back to the New England area and eventually ended up here in Lyndeborough.

After many years of managing and growing restaurant businesses, health issues forced her to make a decision to lower the stress levels that came with her line of work. If she didn't change her lifestyle, she could eventually become wheelchair bound with the pain she was starting to experience. She quit the restaurant business and most recently managed Trombly Gardens in Milford.

While at Trombly's, she pursued her growing interest in the Health and Holistic Wellness business; she educated herself about herbal supplements, vitamins, and ways to live a more natural life. She became a Yoga instructor specializing in a Korean style, which is less posture based and more movement based and eventually trained others how to teach these Yoga classes. Heather became certified in Reiki, which is healing based on energy. In 2008, she became a certified Spinal Touch Practitioner, also known as Biomechanics. She spent a month in Peru with her Spinal Touch Instructor learning and practicing additional training techniques.

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Stories in Stone: Fall Tragedies

By Ginny Chrisenton, Cemetery Trustee

In past *Views*, I've written about the cemeteries in town, and in this issue I thought I'd write about some of the people buried in town. The 1905 Lyndeborough History Book has a section on Fires, Accidents, and Incidents, pages 635-637.

November 21, 1793, Jonathan Barron, 20, (1774-1793), drowned on Thanksgiving Day while he was taking a short cut across the ice on Badger Pond on the way to the Center church. Badger Pond is between Mountain Road and New Road. He is buried in Center Cemetery. He was the only son of Captain William and Olive Barron. Captain Barron was a deacon of the church and a Revolutionary War veteran. Captain Barron had a tavern before and during the Revolutionary War. Businessmen in town would meet there to discuss town matters over a "mug of flip," a mug of beer with some molasses added that was heated by submerging a red-hot poker from the fire. Captain Barron was very involved in the town, judging by the number of entries with his name.

December 13, 1827, Miss Deborah Parker, 24, (1803-1827), was thrown from a wagon when the rein broke and the horse ran away. She was on the way home from a prayer meeting at School House #4 in North Lyndeborough. She is buried in North Cemetery along with her parents, Isaiah & Deborah Parker and two sisters, 7 months and 3 weeks. Isaiah Parker kept a tavern on the Second New Hampshire Turnpike, which went from Nashua to Claremont. He was a member of the Franklin Debating Club in Lyndeborough.

October 3, 1850, Collins Wyman was hunting on Pinnacle Mountain. He was pulling his gun over a ledge with the muzzle towards him when the hammer caught on the rock; the gun when off and accidentally shot and killed him. I don't have any record of him being buried in Lyndeborough, but this incident is a "Story in Stone," as it happened on one of our stone ledges.

September 12, 1859, Robert B. Osgood, 64, (1795-1870), "*lost an arm from the premature discharge of a blast*." Exactly what happened is left to our imaginations. He was a veteran and was in the War of 1812. Even with only one arm, he was known as a great trout fisherman. Apparently he could catch fish when others failed in the endeavor. He is buried in North Cemetery. His is the only marked grave in his lot, but the Lyndeborough Cemetery Book lists an unmarked grave that could possibly be his wife, Susanna who died in 1883. One interesting fact from researching the name Osgood in the 1905 History book is that there were many people with the first name of Osgood and very few mentioned with that last name.

October 29, 1885, Benjamin B. Ames, 73, (1812-1885), "*was kicked by his horse*" and died December 8. He farmed in North Lyndeborough and is buried in North Cemetery along with his second wife, Jane Butterfield, who died in 1900. Jane's father, David Butterfield died in 1812 of "spotted fever." Spotted fever is Typhus, which is caused by bacteria carried by lice or fleas. (In World War II, many people in concentration and POW camps died of Typhus. Now there are vaccines for Typhus and it can be cured with antibiotics.)

September 26, 1890, Jason Holt "*met with an accident on the railroad and lost a leg.*" Again, this accident is left to our imagination. After looking through the Holt genealogy in the 1905 Lyndeborough History Book, pages 773-781, I believe that Jason Holt, (1843-), son of Harvey and Lois (Cram) Holt, is the correct Jason Holt, which would make him 47 when he lost a leg. He fought in the Civil War and was a member of the Lafayette Artillery. The history book does not have a date of death for him in the Holt genealogy. In the oldest section of South Cemetery, there is a Jason Holt in an unmarked grave

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Open House

Citizens' Hall
~ 9 Citizens' Hall Road ~

Everyone is cordially invited To join us on:
Tuesday
December 17, 2013
Between 1:30 pm-3:30 pm

Stop by for Holiday Refreshments and to meet your neighbors.

SENIOR DINNERS

One way the Open Cupboard Pantry contributes to the community is by providing a monthly Senior Dinner, at no charge, to all seniors in the area. These dinners are served in the hall of Sacred Heart Church, which is located to the right of the Open Cupboard Pantry on Maple Street in Wilton. Meals are served the third weekend of the month, on Fridays of the odd numbered months (November, January, March, etc.) and Sundays of the even numbered months (December, February, etc…) from 4-6 p.m. The dinners are popular and are a good way to visit with old friends and meet new ones.

The Wilton-Lyndeborough Women's Club is planning to cook and serve the dinner in February. Since Chicken Parmesan was such a huge hit the last time the club fed the seniors, it will probably be on the menu for an encore!

Know Your Neighbor: Bruce and Hazel Hadley

By Nadine Preftakes

The story of Bruce and Hazel Hadley is a simple story about love. Fate brought the couple together at a carnival in Milford 54 years ago. At the time, Bruce was one of the carnival ride operators, and Hazel decided to get on his particular ride. She said that Bruce gave her the longest ride ever, and when it finally stopped, he asked her out on a date with him. She accepted without any hesitation, and the rest is history. Neither Bruce nor Hazel could remember exactly where they went on that first date, but some semblance of "riding around and parking" entered into the conversation.

One thing led to another and in 1960, when she was just 16 and Bruce 19, they gathered together with family and friends to be married in a simple ceremony held at Hazel's parents' home on North Street in Milford. Hazel said that she carried a bouquet of white roses, and it was one of the happiest days of her life.

Bruce and Hazel Hadley

Bruce grew up in Lyndeborough on Baldwin Hill Road with his two sisters and three brothers. His parents, Herman and Helen, worked hard and tried by example to instill good work ethics in all of their children. Both Herman and Helen worked in Wilton at the Hampshire Hills Farm that belonged to Mr. Bill Whiten. While his dad pretty much ran the farm, his mom, in addition to caring for her six children and running the household, worked picking apples and packing them into crates during apple season. "I enjoyed just being a kid and growing up in Lyndeborough," explained Bruce. He told how on snowy days, he would slide down Baldwin Hill Road all the way to the bottom of Whiting Hill Road. He also loved to run through the orchards, build forts in the barn out of hay bales, climb the mountains and ride his bike to his neighbors, the Parkers, at Woodmont Farms.

During Bruce's childhood, his neighbor, Guy Draper owned one of the first TV's in the area. Then, when Guy bought a new TV, he gave the first one to Bruce's family. Watching old westerns and Charlie McCarthy shows was what Bruce remembered the most.

Bruce attended school in Lyndeborough at the little school house on Perham Corner, but poignantly added, **"**School was always a challenge for me, but everything came to me by doing it with my hands."

After completing the sixth and seventh grades in Wilton**,** he went to work with his father on the Hampshire Hills Farm. His many jobs included caring for a 100 head of cattle, haying, picking apples and doing anything involved in running a farm.

When the farm went out of business, Bruce began working for the Don Wheeler Construction Company in Bedford. He was an invaluable employee for 27 years, capable of running any machine including excavators, bulldozers and big trucks. He also worked for the Wilton Highway Department for 2 years, and then took a job with a construction company in Pelham and worked there for 10 years before he retired at 62.

Bruce's life reflects all that he is as a person. He possesses a great sense of humor, interjecting short, funny quips when you least expect it. When I asked Bruce to tell me the year of his retirement, he couldn't quite recall the correct date. I laughed, rephrased the question and asked him how long he has not been working. "All my life!" he quickly replied.

I just have to say, I was very impressed with the knowledge and wisdom that Bruce has gained through the years. Learning is important and can be accomplished in many ways. Bruce's ability to work with his hands, to learn by watching and doing and trying has enabled him to provide a living for the family he loves so deeply.

Hazel grew up in Milford and lived there all her life, until she married Bruce and moved to Lyndeborough. She enjoyed

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Memorial Park Update….. *(Continued from page 1)*

Paul Martin, Walter Holt, Kent Perry, Lorrie and Russell Haskell, Walter Holland, Roger Crosby, Stephanie Roper, Jessie Salisbury and Lorraine Strube.

If anyone wants to reserve an engraved brick for the walkway for $50.00 each, please contact a member of the Monuments Committee, especially Walter Holland or Stephanie Roper. We expect that the next engraving will be completed and the bricks installed before Memorial Day, 2014.

Unfortunately, it has come to our attention that there are some typesetting errors among the bricks that have been placed in the patio and that a few of the bricks that were paid for did not get included in this order. The Monuments Committee would like to apologize for any and all errors and omissions with the engraved bricks. We will make any changes that need to be made before Memorial Day and ensure that all names are accurate and all of the engraved bricks are part of the memorial walkway.

As we continue to improve the memorial park, we aim to enhance the beauty of South Lyndeborough village and appreciate both our history and our citizen soldiers. Thanks to the diligent efforts of several volunteers and some heavy equipment, we have been able to continue the overhaul of the common into a place that the town can be proud of.

Open Letter to Lyndeborough Residents

By Geoff Brock, Chairman, Wilton/Lyndeborough School Board

Hello neighbors and fellow citizens of Lyndeborough. I am writing today to inform you that we have some very important decisions to make this March at the Wilton/Lyndeborough School District meeting.

The school board will propose a co-operative elementary school district and a bond to renovate/rebuild FRES in Wilton. We are going to need your opinions and questions prior to the finalization of all our warrants, but more importantly we will need your vote to determine the direction of our district in March.

Our neighbors to the south(Wilton) have gotten all they reasonably could out of the FRES elementary building, and it has reached the point where general repair costs are going to be more than the cost of a rebuild/renovation at that site. We, the board, have decided to offer a co-operative elementary school solution to the towns of Wilton and Lyndeborough as our primary solution. As your representative, I want to share my thoughts regarding the pros and cons of this solution and urge you to vote in March.

Let's start with the cons that I have identified. Lyndeborough has had its own elementary school for years and a central school since the 50's, if we voted to co-op the elementary schools we would be giving up this tradition and independence. The Lyndeborough Central School produces good students and creates a community of Lyndeborough; we don't know what will be the result of the co-op solution; however class sizes will probably be larger in most cases. Finally our children will have to travel further to go to school. An independent elementary school will continue our traditions, allow us to continue a "Lyndeborough" sense of community, and although probably costing a little more allow us greater control of our children's education.

Now so you don't think your representatives are all nuts let me present the pros I have found. According to our research and the opinion of our superintendent and principal, class sizes of 18-25 in grades 3-5 and 15-20 in grades 1 and 2 are better groupings for education than the class sizes of 6-15 we currently have in Lyndeborough. We think we can improve education by creating more appropriate class sizes. On the flip side we will be more cost efficient with larger class sizes. Although kindergarten will be in Lyndeborough for both towns, grades 1-5 will be in an essentially new and completely redesigned building in Wilton. We believe the better environment will aid in achieving better learning for Lyndeborough children. The final pro is about money. In Lyndeborough our student population has dropped to 68 it is inefficient now and if enrollment continues to decline we will be considering multiage classes to manage costs. Odds are high that if Wilton voters fix FRES on their own they will expect Lyndeborough voters to pay for our higher operating cost. A co-operative elementary school, in my opinion will allow Lyndeborough to provide a better educational environment for our children, allow more flexibility to deal with enrollment decreases and increases, and be a more cost efficient way to education our children.

Although the numbers have not yet been finalized we expect either choice to have a minimal impact on your tax rate. Come to our forums, hearings, and more importantly our district meeting. This is an important decision with lasting impact; we need to know what you want.

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next to Rosie Young Holt, wife of Jason Holt. Rosie died March 10, 1868, age 19 years, 8 months, 10 days, the day after the birth of their daughter, Rosie. This daughter grew up to marry John M. Curtis of Lyndeborough. She also died in childbirth. She and her son didn't survive his first day.

September 16, 1892, Carlos Wheeler, 16, (1876-1892), "*fell from his wagon and was run over and killed near South Lyndeborough.*" Carlos Wheeler is buried in Center Cemetery in the Wheeler lot. The 1905 Lyndeborough History book only has 2 entries for Carlos, and both mention this accident.

Above are just a few of the accidents, and incidents from the 1905 Lyndeborough History book.

Cemetery Update: Last summer a beautiful gate was installed at North Cemetery. It was designed and built by Phil Brooks and donated by Brenda Perry who has ancestors in North. Bob Rogers, Cemetery Trustee, was fortunate to be there to help when Phil and Ginny Brooks installed the gate. Thank you to all. Photo from Jessie Salisbury.

Update on Wilton Lyndeborough's Women's Club Christmas Families

By Karen Grybko, President, Wilton Lyndeborough Women's Club

Once again, the Wilton Lyndeborough Women's Club is sponsoring the Christmas Giving Trees in Wilton and Lyndeborough. This year the club is collecting gifts for over 20 families. Trees are located at the J.A. Tarbell Library or Citizen's Hall for Lyndeborough and the Gregg Library or Town Hall in Wilton. We would like to encourage people to take a tag off a tree, purchase the requested gift item named on the tag, and return the **wrapped gift** labeled with the tag to one of the tree locations by **December 13th**.

Helping the number of families and individuals would not be possible without the assistance of local organizations. Last year, Lyndeborough Fire Department donated gift certificates totaling $100 for each family, and the United Church of Lyndeborough provided support for recipients. The Wilton Christmas families received generous support from the Wilton Lions Club, the Unitarian Universalist Church, the Second Congregational Church and Label Art. Additionally, both towns received help from the Salvation Army; monetary donations received in Nashua are returned to our two towns and distributed to the Christmas Families as gift certificates.

Santa Claus is coming to Lyndeborough!!!

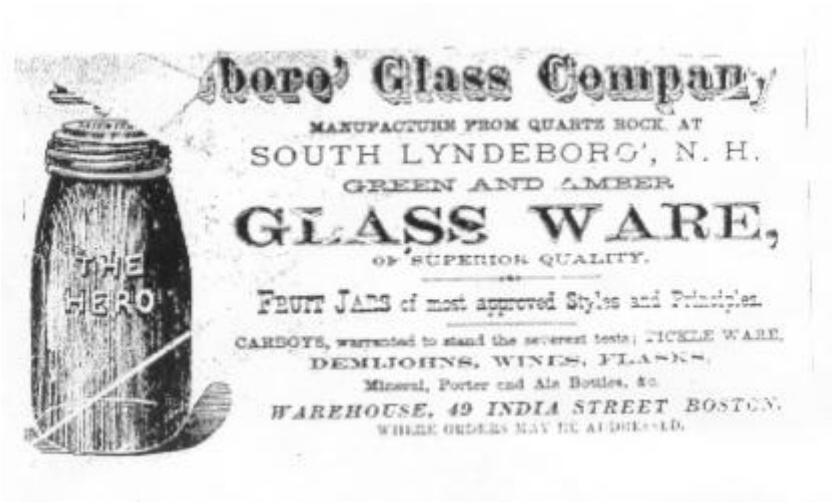
Everyone is welcome to join Santa at this year's Tree lighting, 1 pm at Memorial Park on Sunday, November 8th.

Following the tree lighting, Santa will walk with the children to the J.A. Tarbell Library where he will enjoy some refreshments and talk with the children.

A TRIP TO THE LYNDEBORO' GLASSWORKS

The following articled was transcribed as is by Mark Newton, Milford and was printed in the Lowell Sun Newspaper, June 13, 1867

Yesterday was the day appointed for the annual meeting of the Lyndeboro' Glass Company. An invitation was extended to the stockholders and their friends to attend the meeting with their wives. Accordingly 8 o'clock found a round car load of those embraced in the invitation at the northern depot, where a car was assigned for their use, and on the arrival of the first train up from Boston they were started on their journey which was as about as pleasant as could have been wished. And what is so rare as a day in June especially such an ideal day as yesterday, which fully answered Lowells description. The shower of the day before had laid the dust; the sun shone warm enough for the Panama hats, and not too warm for broadcloth coats. The sky was blue and the atmosphere as clear as one could ever expect to see them this side of Naples; the grass was at it's greenest and the trees, though past the "great gush of blossom" which "storms the world" were in full leaf and "full feather" too, as one might see from the birds. As far as Nashua we had the Merrimack on our right, somewhat lower than it has been, with the mournful accident which so lately occurred on it's waters brought freshly to our minds by the boats in sight of the occupants of which it is said we know not how truly, we're still searching for the bodies of Willis and Downing. The fields showed little engagement on the part of the farmers many of them being still engaged in planting corn. The only promising features were the apple trees; which showed luxuriant foliage and few Caterpillars and the grass which was as rank as a militia officer with half a dozen brevets, and as deeply, darkly, beautifully green as the loveliest green silk that ever bewitched woman. Nashua to Amherst is a pretty dull road, hardly relieved even by the grand excitement of a stop at "hardscrabble" which is the very expressive alias of South Merrimack. At Amherst we strike the picturesque Souhegan and find constant enjoyment in it's murmuring waters, the thriving town of Milford on it's banks. The glimpse of the mountains and the little villiage of Mount Vernon on it's eyrie site, and the well tilled orchards and hop fields in the valley.



EAST WILTON

The terminus of our railroad ride was marked by the appearence of a conglomeration of vehicles destined to take us to the glassworks, some three miles distant. We had scarcely time to glance at the the villiage, which has an air of smartness, as though only the fact that it is situated in the bottom of a little sugar scoop of a valley from which there is an outlet in only one direction, were the reason why it don't assume municiple proportions at once. On the heights around are several elegant residences which show that the place is not to be confined to it's natural limits. The whiting house, a large hotel, has not long been opened – that is, not many years – but it is destined to attract many visitors because of the natural beauties of the drives around. The two branches of the Souhegan here unite, while both are swollen by the streams of little tumbling brooks which come rushing down the steep hillsides in a wildness of beauty which would be better appreciated if we had to ride a hundred miles and pay five dollars a day for board to go and see them.

THE RIDE

By carriage was accomplished variously. Two-horse wagons were among the vehicles provided for our accommodation guiltless of springs, and almost guiltless of seats, the latter being improvised by means of boards placed across the sides. It was suggested that only those in the spring of youth would have elasticity enough to venture to undergo the bumps sure to ensure, but an amendment was carried that such vehicles were proper for all who considered themselves in the hayday of existence. Several elderly Pickwicks, both male and female, benevolently voted that they possessed the necessary qualifications, and so the carriages were filled. The rest of us adapted ourselves to circumstances in sundry one-horse vehicles. The road from East Wilton to the glassworks is along the left branch of the Souhegan for a mile or more and is exceedingly pleasant. It rises gently, with hills on either side and overhanging woods, and with sprightly little brooks every few rods, which remind one that however strongly other fashions predominate elsewhere, waterfalls still hold their own in East Wilton.

We reached The Works about half past ten, those who patronized the two horse wagons coming in slowly but majestically some minutes behind time and saying, with the little girl, that they had come a little way in the car, but most of the

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AROUND

The beginning of November two Lyndeborough craftsmen participated in the NH Open Door Tour. **LEFT**: Corey Cheever, Barb Wire Design who designs and hand crafts beautiful stained glass. **BELOW**: Aaron Brown, designer of sculpture and hand pulled prints.

LEFT: United Church in historic Lyndeborough Center Looks Beautiful!

The restoration work has been completed for the season at the United Church in Lyndeborough Center. The front of the church is finally finished and has been painted and the other side of the roof was also completed this past fall. Work will continue in the spring on the rest of the building. *Photo by Kathleen Humphreys*

BELOW: Veteran's Day in
served by firing three cannon
local veterans. We thank them
sacrifice.

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BELOW: The annual Lyndeborough Halloween Parade was a barrel of Monkeys with Principal Tim O'Connell leading the way. *Photo by Kathleen Humphreys*

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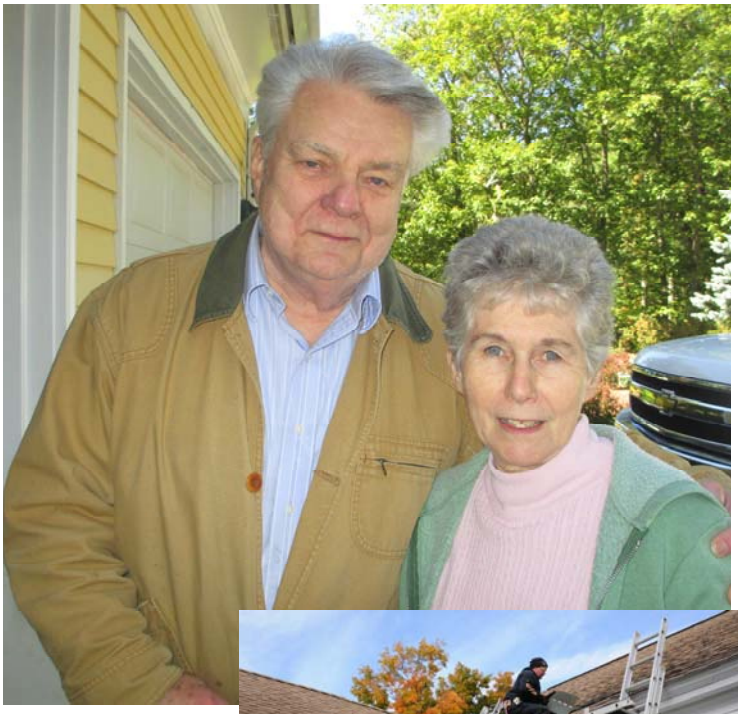
Deware/Lyndeborough,
and Sgt. Wayne Scott,
1972.

RIGHT: Thanks to Bill & Pauline Ball for all Your Community Spirit!

The Town of Lyndeborough would like to thank Bill and Pauline Ball for their many years of service to the community. Lyndeborough residents for 17 years they recently moved to Mashpee, Massachusetts.
Pauline served on the Capital Improvement Committee, Conservation Committee, Planning Board, Zoning Board, and Board of Selectmen Minute Taker. Bill served on the Budget Committee, Capital Improvement Committee, and the Planning Board.
They built a beautiful house on Crooked S Road with gorgeous gardens and spent a lot of time caring for them. They will be missed by their neighbors, town officials and the community. Best of luck and enjoy the Cape.
Photo by Kathleen Humphreys



In the eaves of the old second floor attic newly installed brackets were recently put in place to help secure the second floor and the roof while roof shingles were replaced to complete the upgrades to the historic building.
RIGHT: Paul Demello working on the roof at Center Hall in Lyndeborough.

BELOW: Mottau, Drew and Clark & guests Ed Mottau and Corey Walden recently performed at the Old Town Hall in Lyndeborough Center to a packed house to raise money for The Place To Go. This organization provides a free after-school program which is located at the Monadnock Country Club and is for kids grades 3 - 8.
A Place to Go offers a safe, structured program teaching life skills, helping with homework, etc. Each child is responsible for seven hours of community service and we provide a way to achieve that goal. You can read more about the organization here: www.theplacetogo.org

OPEN CUPBOARD PANTRY

The Open Cupboard Pantry (OCP) serves the towns of Lyndeborough, Wilton, Temple and Greenfield. The Open Cupboard Pantry is supplied through donations (food & monetary) and New Hampshire Food Bank purchases. Clients visit the OCP by appointment only. To schedule an appointment contact Roger LaDouceur at 654-2635

Not all needed items are available through the food bank and donations of toiletries (shampoo, conditioner, soap, deodorant), baking supplies (brownie mixes, cake mixes, etc.), and canned fruits are always needed. A box is set up at the Tarbell Library to accept these donations. Monetary donations are always gratefully accepted. Checks should be made out to The Open Cupboard Pantry and mailed to OCP, c/o Roger LaDouceur, 21 Whiting Hill Road, Wilton, NH 03086. Donations are tax deductible.

Milford Holiday Fair and Tree Lighting

On Saturday, December 7th in conjunction with the Milford Farmer's Market, and on Sunday, December 8th, Milford will sponsor an old fashion Christmas stroll. There will be a variety of crafters, a tree lighting, and a visit by Santa. More details here: www.milfordimprovementteam.org/2013/11/make-it-milford-for-the-holidays

VISIT THE TOWN WEBSITE

Check out current information and events on the town website:

town.lyndeborough.nh.us

Visit it today and sign up now for alerts.
Look for the full color version of the
Lyndeborough Views while you are there!!

Community Policing….. *(Continued from page 2)*

townspeople and the police is the key to this success and a central goal of community policing.

By establishing these ties to the community, we will be able to work together to problem solve specific issues or concerns that are identified and take the most appropriate remedies to abate those problems. This type of problem solving is based on the assumption that individuals make choices based on opportunities presented by the immediate physical and social characteristics of an area. By addressing these areas, people will be less inclined to act in an offensive manner.

Our organizational transformation is based upon basic values rather than mere procedures guiding the overall delivery of services to the community. The success of our department's organizational transformation relies on overall delivery of services that we provide to the community. The police department's philosophy, mission statement, directives and training programs define the organizational culture and activities.

It is not possible for any law enforcement organization to do well without the cooperation and trust of the community. By participating with neighborhood watch, volunteer service groups, community emergency response teams and other community activities and organizational groups, LPD hopes to achieve the trust of the community.

Developing community partnerships is another key point of this philosophy. There are sometimes misconceptions about the term "community" as being defined by a certain geographical boundary, but the LPD's community can extend well beyond the town line. By working with other law enforcement organizations at the local, state and federal levels, as well as ensuring that our agency looks beyond the traditional boundaries to develop ties with our businesses, citizens, emergency management, public health, and many other private and public organizations with a stake in preventing crime, I hope to empower and enhance the quality of life in Lyndeborough and prevent or eliminate crime and problems that lead to crime. Everyone will benefit when community members understand the role and function of the police department and become active proponents of law enforcement.

In conclusion, I look forward to serving the town of Lyndeborough in my newly defined role as Chief of Police, and look forward to working with each and every member of the town. Also, I ask the townspeople to stop by and speak with any member of Lyndeborough's Police Department regarding any issues or problems.

Know your Neighbor…… *(Continued from page 4)*

being a stay-at-home mom who took pride in raising her three children, Bruce, Mike and Liz. "I loved to cook and bake, and in my free time I taught myself to crochet. I would buy doll patterns to crochet for every occasion like Christmas and Easter and everything in between."

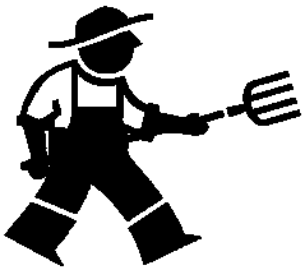
Hazel said she has probably made approximately 150 doll outfits which she would then sell to people who appreciated them. "I was not in it to make money; I just loved making them and mostly gave them away to my family and friends."

Both Bruce and Hazel agreed that they love living in Lyndeborough. Bruce commented, "It is a nice little town. I love the peace and quiet of it. I used to know most everybody, but now so many new families have moved in that I do not know many now. However, I still go down to the Village Store and have chats with the people I meet." Hazel readily agreed with Bruce.

Now that Bruce and Hazel are retired, they still enjoy their individual passions. Hazel still loves to cook and Bruce still loves to eat her cooking. Bruce enjoys a little gardening and also building model cars out of kits. "The ones I like are pretty intricate and can sometimes take me three days to complete." Hazel still loves to crochet, and both of them enjoy taking care of their little home on Center Road.

Hazel and Bruce definitely have lived a full life full of love for each other. And it all began with that carnival ride in Milford. Bruce said he made a promise to his wife on their wedding day that he would be with her until he died, and, despite all the ups and downs of the years, he has kept that promise. He has worked hard all of his life to provide for his family with the skills that he has learned along the way. Hazel jokingly commented as she lovingly looked at her husband of 53 years, "Bruce was my booby prize at the carnival!" But what she really was saying was that on that day, she hit the jackpot and actually scored the grand prize. My hope is that the memorable carnival ride taken so long ago will continue well into the future for this remarkable couple.

INDOOR WINTER FARMERS' MARKETS



The winter markets have begun again, and we would love to have you come and support us. At the Milford Market come listen to live music while browsing our 16+ vendors. The Bedford Fields market starts up in January.

All products are locally made or grown. You will find meats, poultry, fish, produce, plants and flowers, soups and chowders, free-range eggs, goat's milk, goat's milk cheeses and soap, locally roasted coffee, maple syrup, raw honey and beeswax products, jams and jellies, pickles, a variety of baked goods, gourmet candies and treats, wild bird feeders, finicky poultry treats, sheep pelts, lambs wool and dyes, and more. Below are the locations and dates of the two local winter markets:

MILFORD TOWN HALL AUDITORIUM: Saturdays 10 to 1; 12/7, 12/21, 1/4, 1/18, 2/8, 2/22, 3/1, 3/15, 4/5, and 4/19.

BEDFORD FIELDS: Saturdays 10 to 3; 1/11, 1/15, 2/1, 2/15, and 3/8. Bedford Fields is a beautiful nursery/gift store located on Route 101 in Bedford across the street from Hannaford's Supermarket.

You are sure to have a good time and find something you like while supporting your local vendors in the process!

Joyful Choice…… *(Continued from page 2)*

After years of helping others build their businesses, she is now ready to build her own business doing something she loves and believes in. Her business focuses on Spinal Touch, which is a combination massage/light touch adjustment. This process allows your body to readjust and realign itself through muscle relaxation. She begins a typical session evaluating your body and spine. You then proceed to the massage table for a period of at least 1 hour and 15 minutes. To start, she touches 54 points on your back and 8 points on your front torso. It is interactive and any pressure or tension is felt at a particular location, she works with the client using deep breaths to relieve the tension. The remainder of the time she practices different massage techniques using enhancers such as hot stones and aromatherapy. Each session is unique and based on the client's needs.

Ms Stickney also teaches Movement-Meditation classes, which allow you to connect with your inner self. She has many ideas on how she would like to further use the beautiful space she has, including becoming a community resource for like-minded individuals to utilize. She feels the empowered path to natural health is an opportunity for individuals to nurture themselves so they can be better people in their lives. With her training and education she is all prepared to offer clients a complete relaxation package.

Heather can be reached at (603) 703-6559 or at joyfulchoicewc@yahoo.com.

Support Your Lyndeborough Merchants and Buy Local

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Kitchen Views……

Spritz Cookies

1 c Butter or Margarine, softened
1/2 c Sugar
1 Egg
2-1/4 c Flour
1tsp Almond Extract
1/2 tsp Salt

Heat oven to 400 degrees. Cream butter and sugar.
Blend in remaining ingredients.
Fill cookie press with 1/4 the dough at a time.*
Form desired shapes on ungreased baking sheet.**
Bake 6 to 9 minutes until set but not brown.

Makes about 5 Dozen Cookies.

*I usually use a star shape and make 'S's.
**Spaced about 2 inches apart.

Wilton Lyndeborough Women's Club Christmas Raffle Basket

The Women's Club has a beautiful basket that they are raffling off filled with local handmade items. You can purchase tickets & view the basket at Citizens' Hall. On Sunday, December 8th Santa will draw the winning ticket at the J.A. Tarbell Library. You do not need to be present to win.

Local Couple Appointed to the Houdini Grave Preservation Committee

By Joseph Caulfield

On November 8, 2013, Joseph and Kathy Caulfield were appointed to the Houdini Grave Preservation Committee at the Society of American Magicians' Fall Council at Boca Raton, Florida.

Harry Houdini served as President of the Society from 1917 to 1926 and the Great Seal of the Society adorns his grave. Unfortunately, disputes between the Houdini Museum and others, has resulted in the maintenance charges for the upkeep of the complex not being paid and the City of New York, which now owns the Machpelah Graveyard, is threatening to sell off the complex's unfilled graves to offset maintenance costs. In his new role, Joseph will be helping to negotiate the contract so that the gravesite will be preserved. The picture shows Houdini's grave.

Joseph, a Lyndeborough attorney, also serves as the Society of American Magician's Vice President for the New England states and Insurance Advisor. Kathy, a Systems Administrator for PEP Response Systems, serves as the Society's New Hampshire Deputy. Joseph will be helping to negotiate a final outcome.

Lyndeborough Glassworks…… *(Continued from page 7)*

distance by wagon. It was a jolly ride, though, and as soon as a wagon load arrived they at once set out on a tour of inspection. The works consist of several wooden buildings. The largest of these contains the furnace, which stands in the center, and the ovens which are ranged on the sides, while one addition to the main building contains the material and mixing apparatus, and another holds the ovens where the wood is dried which is used in part to heat the furnace. The furnace contains six pots in which the glass is melted, and the large ovens are used to bake the glass after it comes from the moulds. The office is another small wooden building where the business is transacted. The warehouse is a two story building in which the packing is done, and where the ware is stored. The pothouse is a one story wooden building where the pots for the furnaces are made, of which more anon. The other buildings are a small one for a steam engine, and woodshed, and two dwelling houses. The real estate of the company we understand to be valued at about $45,000.

THE PROCESSES

Of glass making are more or less familiar with everybody. There was so much business going on that we could not gather so much information as we would have liked. One of the most curious processes is the pot making referred to above. The principal material is clay, which we believe, is imported from Germany. It is ground to a powder, and with certain other materials is mixed into a sort of mortar in a trough like a common mortar bed. The mortar has to be worked by the bare feet of a man whos business it is to tread the mortar over twice each day. This process has to be continued a fortnight or three weeks , the mortar being turned over with a shovel and tread twice every day . It is then taken to a sort of mould about two feet in diameter at the top, and a few inched less at the bottom, and about three feet high, or perhaps a little more. This mould is made of thick wooded staves which can be taken apart and away from the pot when it is done. The mortar is then worked by the handful around the sides and bottom of the mould about two inches in thickness, and the process comes as near to that of cannon making as described by the Irishman when he said that "they took a long hold and put the brass around it ", as anything we ever saw . The pots when done are simply large clay pudding dishes, big enough to hold a suet pudding for a Brobdiguagian corporation boarding house, or for all the beans baked of a Sunday in Beverly. This is supposed to be the only kind of a vessel which will stand the heat of a furnace without melting – or at least the only kind suitable in every respect for the business. As the pots are liable to get broken they have to keep a stock on hand. It is one redeeming feature in the articles that the oftener they are broken the better they are, or rather oftener the material is used over the better it is for making new pots.

The material used for glassmaking are the silex – quarried a little distance above the works – soda and lime Perhaps other things are used, but these are the main things. The wood, or a portion of it, has to be dried, in fact almost charred in ovens, in order to raise sufficient heat to melt the silex. The ware, as fast as it comes from the hands or rather from the tubes of the blowers – for hands don't touch it with impunity – is put into ovens and gradually cooled off which in a sense anneals it and makes it less brittle.

THE BLOWERS

And their work deserves a paragraph by themselves. The end of hollow iron tubes are stuck into the glass and a sufficient quantity of the melted material is wound around the tube to make the article required. Most of the ware is pressed in moulds, the blower turning the melted mass on a stone in front of him, with an occasional puff through the tube to keep it in form, and when all is right he puts it in a hollow iron mould at his feet which he shuts around the molten mass with a lever and blows through his tube to form the core, as it were, of the mould , the air pressing the melted glass into every crevice of the mould . When the article comes out it is thrown upon an iron covered form with a recklessness which if not tempered with skill and practice would be the ruin of the glass. But the curious features of the pressed work pale into utter insignificance, in comparison with the work of blowing large article like "Carboys". The great "head blower" of Lyndeboro' was at work with this yesterday, and a curious crowd watched the operation. A large quantity of glass is required for one of these vessels which contain 12 gallons each and are used for holding vitrol, most of them being made for the Talbots. After a few minutes of manipulation on the stone, with an occasional puff in the end of the tube by one of the lesser lights, the head blower takes the matter in hand. Having blown the bottle up to about the size of a gallon demijohn he sticks it into furnace to get a new heat on it. He then takes it out , rolls it on the stone to form the neck , and sets it down in a sort of iron kettle about as large as the "Carboy" is intended to be. Then begins the "blowing" in good earnest. By long exercise the cheeks of the blower have become susceptible of as much comparative distention as the throat of a toad which "sings" in the puddles beside the road in the spring, or the pouch of a Pelican which carries a months rations of fish under his lower jaw. When he blows, the flabby surfaces are inflated, until it becomes an open question at which end of the tube is the larger "Carboy". It is as if old Boreas himself had come along and turned glassblower. If the head blower ever "blows up" his wife what a family jar it must make! – Several of the spectators made the highly original remark that this individual was the cheekiest man they ever saw. A glance into the furnace recalls the fate of Shadrach, Meshach and Abedengo or as the Irishman put it "the fiery furnace heated seven times hotter than it could be het" .

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Lyndeborough Glassworks…… *(Continued from page 14)*

THE BUSINESS MEETING

Was held in the office about noon. – President Goodwin made a few preliminary remarks, stating some of the difficulties which the directors had encountered, and then called on treasurer Patch for his report. Mr. Patch said that on the reorganization of the company last March, he consented to take the treasureship only on condition that he shouldn't be called upon to do anything but collect and disburse money. He had been obliged to do many things, however, and he was unable to present an accurate report, from the fact that the business had been in such a muddled condition that he had not time to straighten it out. He had, however, made an estimate of assets and liabilities, in which he had endeavored to bring in everything in the shape of indebtedness at it's full amount and all assets at the lowest figure, in order , that the result might prove better rather than worse that his estimates. Without going into details, we may say that the report showed assets in the shape of assessments due and stock and materials of all kinds on hand (exclusive of real estate, works, fixtures) of $8,000 above the liabilities. Mr Patch said that the grand difficulty was that there was no one responsible person to take charge of the business. The work had necessarily been divided up among the officers and they had given what attention they could to it.

Mr. Goodwin made some general statements in regard to the condition of the company. He said the directors found a good many "dead horses" bequeathed to them by their predecessors, and they got rid of them as well as they could. They had now got things into working order, and if they could manage to get through the next two months and pay their bills, everything would be all right. The directors had not felt at liberty to create any salaries offices, and they had therefore done the work themselves as best they could until they could get instructions from the stockholders. The prospects were good. The works were now running their full capacity, and they had more orders than they could fill. The glass on hand had been sold for nearly double it's estimated value. A ballot for directors resulted in the choice of the following.

John A Goodwin, Daniel Hall, Addison Putnam, Josiah Gates and A.W. Buttrick, of Lowell, Rufus Chamberlain of Lyndeboro', and H.A. Whiting of Wilton.

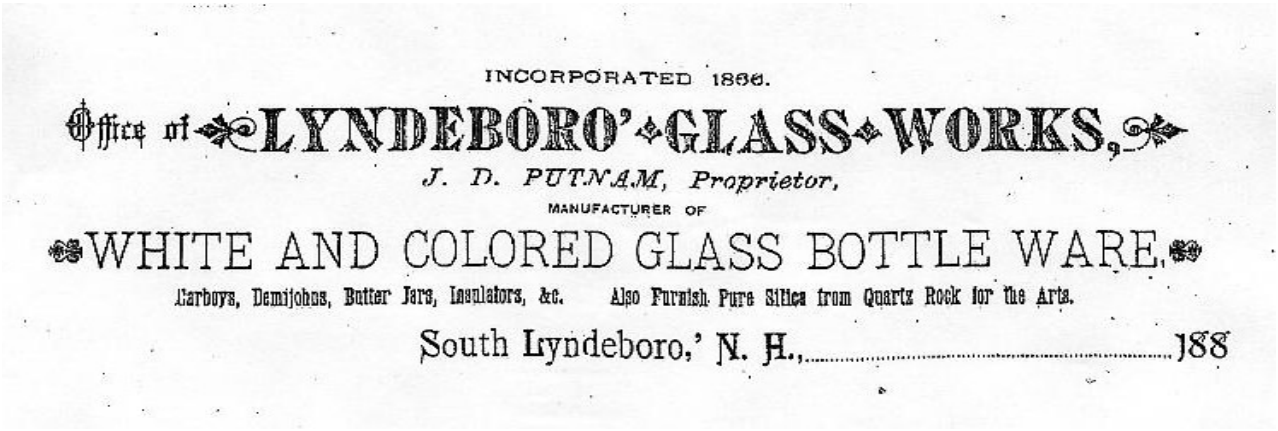
It was voted that the directors be authorized to employ a general agent to act as treasurer and attend to all other business. After some further business the party adjourned to the warehouse.

TO DINNER

Which was spread on two long tables, and consited of a bountiful supply of the best meats, excellent bread, capitol coffee, plenty of pure milk, fresh butter and other good things, furnished by the company were much indebted. They relished it with keen appetites.

GENERALLY SPEAKING

The prospects of the company are flattering. The superintendent, Mr. Shaffer, who seems to be just the man for the place has an excellent reputation as a glass manufacturer, and he has the highest confidence in the success of the enterprise. He says he will take the surplus over $25,000 earnings for his salary if they will put business into proper shape. The glass, he says, is as good as can be made of the kind anywhere. He can make it as cheaply as can be made anywhere. He can take orders enough in a week to employ the works for ten months and he turns them off only that he may select the best ones. He has greatly simplified production making only a few classes of goods, which is much more profitable than making many little things. Only forty percent of the stock is paid in, and it is hoped that no more assessments will be needed .We see no reason why with good management the stock should not very soon rise to par and pay good dividends. The directors are able business men, and will look for the best interests of the company. The party returned on the half past five train in the evening, having enjoyed the trip exceedingly.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