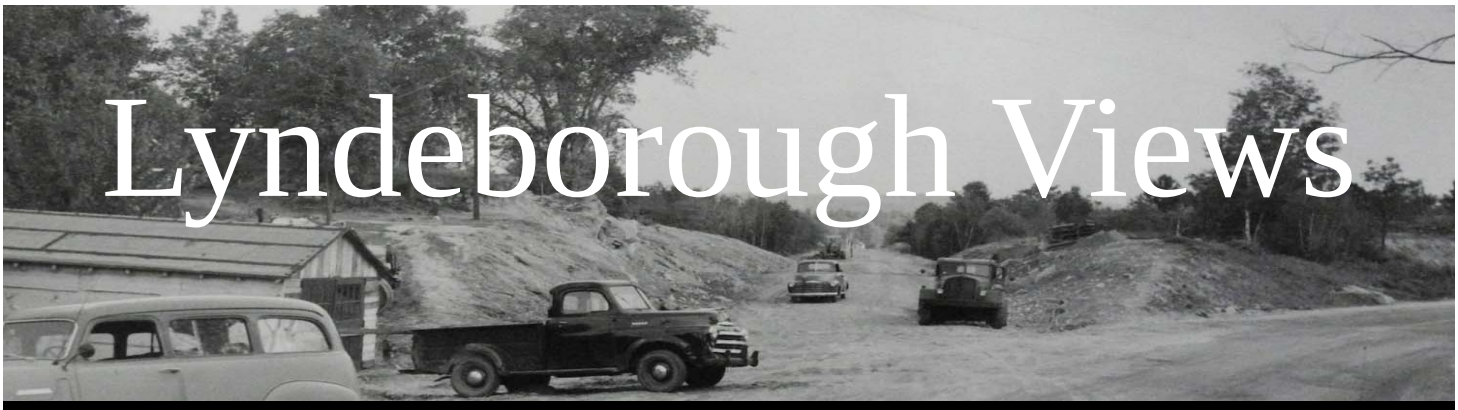

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The Denver Drill

By Rick McQuade, Fire Chief

Training is something that can quickly become routine, mundane, and repetitive, especially when you are dealing with veterans that have been on the Fire Department for 10, 20 or even 30 years. While researching some different training options, I came across several rescue techniques based on the line-of--duty death of a veteran fire fighter from the Denver, Colorado Fire Department. To get a full appreciation of the drill we conducted, I believe it is important to tell you the story, behind it.

Back in 1992, Engineer Mark Langvardt of the Denver Colorado Fire Department was fighting a commercial building fire when he was separated from his crew members as the second floor started to collapse. After the separation, Fire Fighter Langvardt was able to crawl to a small storage room on the second floor. The room was very small, measuring six feet wide and eleven feet long. To complicate the situation, the room was lined with file cabinets and shelves reducing the actual space to only 28" wide. At the end of the room, there was a single window 42" off the floor; which had security bars on the outside.

Members of the Lyndeborough FD practice rescue techniques as part of "The Denver Drill"

As the air in Firefighter Langdvart's air packs slowly diminished and having no way to get back to his crew, he crawled to the window at the end of the room, and, using a flashlight, signaled to the firefighters outside. Once firefighters recognized the location of the downed firefighter, they quickly geared up to rescue him from the space on the second floor.

First, the rescuers cut away the security bars and removed the window. Firefighters then attempted to enter the room but quickly realized only one firefighter could enter the narrow corridor-like confined space. To make matters worse, fire was quickly spreading into the space where the downed fire fighter was trapped. Now, not only did rescue crews have to rescue the fire fight-

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Tuesday, March 12th
Local Town Elections
At Center Hall
Voting time will be
10am – 7pm

Saturday, March 16th
Town Meeting
At Citizens' Hall
starting at 10am

There will be donation boxes set up at both voting locations for the Open Pantry Cupboard. Please see the article on page 13 for more information.

WILTON/LYNDEBOROUGH 2010 APPORTIONMENT ERROR WHAT HAPPENED, WHY AND WHAT DO WE DO ABOUT IT?

Kate Thorndike, Town Administrator, On Behalf of the Selectmen

The apportionment error happened in the 2010-2011 school year which was the first year of a new agreement between Wilton and Lyndeborough. The Articles of Agreement between the two towns clearly stated that Capital expenses for each town were to be incurred individually. Unfortunately, the Department of Education did not interpret the articles correctly, and consequently miscalculated the apportionment equation by including some of those expenses.

Apparently, there was some discussion at tax rate setting time about the possibility of an error, but it was assumed that the Department of Education and the Department of Revenue had calculated the numbers properly and the rate was set. Neither Wilton nor Lyndeborough town officials had any idea the apportionment had been done incorrectly. This error was discovered by Lyndeborough in 2011 and corrected.

There is a statement on the tax rate sheet that each town receives from the DRA that says, *"If you are dissatisfied with your tax rate, you have ten (10) days from this notification to request an oral hearing per RSA 21-J:35."* Legally, once those ten days have passed, then the rate is set and nothing can be changed. Herein, lies the dilemma that both towns face: How to fix something where there does not appear to be any simple mechanism for doing so?

The Lyndeborough Board of Selectmen feel a moral obligation to repay Wilton as undoubtedly, many of our residents do as well. We have consulted with Town Counsel, called the Local Government Center for advice, met with Wilton and their Counsel and everyone has agreed that there is no clear or easy answer. This Board wants to assure the community that it will continue to cooperate fully through the process. Unfortunately, the best solution lies in the hands of the court system, where it will be decided exactly how the two towns can right this unintended and unfortunate error.

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NOTICE

WLC School District Meeting will be held Friday, March 8, at 7 p.m. at the Wilton-Lyndeborough Cooperative Middle/High School. Snow Date will be Saturday, March 9, at 9 a.m. at the same location

2013 LYNDEBOROUGH TOWN ELECTIONS CANDIDATE LIST

OFFICE	TERM	CURRENTLY HELD BY	PEOPLE WHO FILED
SELECTMAN (1)	3 Year	Donald Sawin	Donnie Sawin Frederick G. Douglas Jr
TREASURER (1)	3 Year	Ellen Martin	Ellen Martin
CEMETERY TRUSTEE (1)	3 Year	Robert H. Rogers	Robert H. Rogers
LIBRARY TRUSTEE (2)	3 Year	Robert H. Rogers Sally B. Curran	Robert H. Rogers Sally B. Curran
TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS (1)	3 Year	Richard Herfurth	Richard Herfurth
BUDGET COMMITTEE: (3)	3 Year 3 Year 3 Year	Scott Roper Walter M. Holland Bruce Houston	 Walter Holland
BUDGET COMMITTEE: (1)	2 Year	James Button Resigned Burton Reynolds Appointed	 Burton Reynolds
ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT (1)	3 Year	Richard Roy	Richard Roy
ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT (1)	1 Year	Frank Holden	Scott Roper Walter Holt

Attention All Lyndeborough Business Owner's

In an effort to support you, our local business owner's, Lyndeborough Views would like to offer a **FREE BUSINESS CARD SIZE AD** to run in the next issue of the Views which will cover June, July and August . If you are interested please email a pdf of your business card or mail a clean business card. Deadline for this issue will be May 17th. Email Karen Holland, kjh1@tds.net or mail, 200 Pinnacle Road, Lyndeborough, NH 03082, phone: 654-2480.

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QUESTIONS FOR SELECTMEN CANDIDATES - 2013

Fred Douglas

How long have you lived in Lyndeborough?

I have lived in Lyndeborough for 58 years.

Your top three qualifications for the position of Selectman

- I am a graduate of the New England Institute of Law Enforcement Management and Command Training Program of Babson College in Wellesley, MA. I have successfully completed post-secondary training in leadership I and II, problem solving, management applications, management strategies, management by objectives, municipal liability, vicarious liability, organizational psychology and organized labor training.
- Prior to my recent retirement from law enforcement in June of 2012, I served in the capacity of mid-level and senior level manager for over 25 years overseeing 35+ employees.
- As the executive of the organization for thirteen years I was directly responsible for the creation, submittal, presentation, evaluation and over-all management/administration of the annual operating budget that was over 2 million dollars.
- I have previously held the office of selectman in town. I feel I have a good working understanding of the administrative responsibilities of most of the town affairs.

Volunteer activities in Lyndeborough:

While holding public office in 2000, as a Board of Selectmen member, I initiated a restoration project of re-setting the granite slabs for the Center Hall flag pole up-grade. I further donated much time to the maintenance of the grounds around Center Hall.

Have you ever held any offices in town?

Yes, I have previously served on the Budget Committee for two terms and served for one term as a member of the Board of Selectmen.

What do you feel is the most important role as a Selectman in Lyndeborough?

The primary role of a Selectman is to always serve the citizens of this municipality in the best interest of the community. This includes having complete openness in the government and encouraging input from all the citizens in this town, while maintaining the highest quality of life for all citizens.

It is important to apply common sense to the budgetary matters of the town, by maintaining realistic budgets. There must be a common sense approach and balance for the ability of the taxpayers to pay and the needs of the town.

If elected, what would be your top three recommendations or actions for the town?

1. It is important to welcome more openness of town affairs and encouragement of citizen input.
2. Review large budgetary items annually, such as health insurance costs, etc., for cost savings related to consolidation. Review of the Capital Improvement Plan life cycle costs for equipment with the goal to reduce spending.
3. Set realistic goals and objectives in order to facilitate the long needed sidewalk extending both southbound and northbound from the Lyndeborough Central School in order to enhance the safety of student pedestrian traffic.

How would you work with the other Selectmen to plan for the future of the town?

If elected my first priority would be to take approximately 4 to 6 months and listen to the many aspects for the current pending issues taking place within the BOS meetings.

It would be my personal goal to make sure that I always make informed decisions based on the information that is validated. Finally as I said above, decisions and votes that I am involved with would be based on what is in the absolute best interest of the community.

If elected, what areas would you like to see a change in and how would you achieve those changes?

An important issue is relative to the separation of executive powers (Board of Selectmen) verses law enforcement powers (Lyndeborough Police Department). Although this is common sense, it is absolutely essential to promote and maintain a clear separation of these powers so that any political influence or perception of such influence is eliminated.

This issue can be eliminated by the appointment of a Chief of Police. The establishment and implementation of a definitive employment review process by the Board of Selectmen is essential to any hiring process. This is extremely vital in law enforcement positions and a requirement by the NH Police Standards and Training Council in many hiring rules and protocols. Once implemented, the employment review process should be immediately instituted to establish the position of a "Chief of Police" within the Lyndeborough Police Department. Under RSA 105:1 the Board of Selectmen is empowered to appoint a Chief of Police.

Any additional comments:

If elected I would make it a point to meet all town employees and inquire about their perceptions on any issues that they may want to discuss.

QUESTIONS FOR SELECTMEN CANDIDATES - 2013

Donnie Sawin

How long have you lived in Lyndeborough?

I have lived in Lyndeborough for 15 years.

Your top three qualifications for the position of Selectmen

Three top qualifications:

- Over the last three years of being a selectman I have learned a lot from all of the experiences that I have been through. I have learned to look at all sides of a problem and work with all parties involved in order to solve it. I have many years of experience in upper management overseeing multiple employees, I have successfully taken many classes and attended a large amount of specific training at the LGC (Local Government Center) pertaining to all aspects of town government in order for me to better understand and implement my role as one of your selectmen. I am proud of my ability to learn and grow in this position.
- I am committed to the people of our community and work well with all town employees and department heads; I am current with all issues both current and old facing the town and will need no catch up time to get up to speed with anything.
- I have a lot of interaction with various people throughout the community and I do anything that I can to help whenever the need arises, that is why I enjoy serving as a selectman which gives me the ability to work to maintain a low and steady tax rate enabling me to help out on a very broad scale. Additionally, every year since I have been a selectman there has been an end of year surplus in the budget, I feel this speaks volumes in and of itself.

Volunteer activities in Lyndeborough:

As far as volunteering goes; I volunteer many hours to the duties of selectmen above and beyond the weekly meetings. I also sit on the WLT Ambulance board, and recently have helped the Cub Scouts with one of their many projects.

Have you ever held any offices in town?

I feel the most important role of a selectman in Lyndeborough is ultimately to serve the people of Lyndeborough. I feel this is done mostly by managing the town's money in order to keep town taxes as level and as low as possible yet still providing the citizens with a high level of town services. I also feel that equally important is our role with the safety and overall happiness of our town employees. We are very fortunate to have the dedicated professionals that we have working for our town.

If elected, what would be your top three recommendations or actions for the town?

1. To continue to improve the towns infrastructure on a long term basis with steady and forward actions. Our roads are our most expensive assets and we need to continue to take care of them with a program of maintenance and upkeep while making improvements whenever financially possible.
2. I would really love to see the parking lot at Citizens' Hall paved so that it is not a mud hole every spring and then when it's hot and dry out, the dirt and small stones will not be tracked into the building and inadvertently ruin the hardwood floors.
3. I would become more involved with the repairs, upkeep and maintenance of our town buildings through a cooperative plan with the Heritage Commission and/or the Historic District Commission. Consistently taking care of even just the little things makes a great deal of difference to the overall condition of our town buildings. I love this town, its history and people and I applaud Clayton Brown, Kent Perry and all the people who have spearheaded and worked diligently on repairing the Old Center Church. Lastly, I believe that through our collective efforts now, that future generations will be able to use and enjoy our beautiful old buildings for years to come.

How would you work with the other selectmen to plan for the future of the town?

The current board has a lot of experience with how the town runs, the different approaches we each tend to have to issues that come up, and our diversified areas of expertise aid us in all of our decisions. We as a board never forget how important keeping the tax rate as steady as possible is to our residents, and I feel that I have been a strong contributor to this over the last three years. I would appreciate the voters of Lyndeborough allowing me to continue keeping their taxes low through our common sense management which allows us to keep costs low while maintaining and in some places increasing the level of services the town has been accustomed to. I would also like to see the town have more interaction with its citizens through social media so that the people in our community could stay connected to what was happening in real time and not just by attending meetings or reading minutes. Social media has the ability to instantly alert individuals to important information like road closures or pre planned road construction, as well as weather or other emergency events like a fire in progress through notifications sent automatically to their smart phones.

SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL CSA'S

By Amy Trudeau, Fox Den Farm Lyndeborough

Fox Den Farm is a small produce farm run by Dan Knisell and Amy Trudeau. In our few years together, we have grown and blossomed as young farmers who are trying to make a living off the land. We grow all of our produce the way it is supposed to be grown: No chemical pesticides, herbicides, insecticides or fertilizers touch our soil. We use compost to increase soil health, and use earth based fertilizers such as fish emulsion and kelp meal. We hand pick insect pests and feed them to our ducks. A ducks' favorite treat is Japanese beetles, an insect that can devastate a crop. We have been calling ourselves "non-certified organic" for the last several years, and we plan on getting organic certification in the future. We grow a large array of vegetables, grow and sell seedlings in the spring from our two greenhouses, and we have chickens and ducks that provide eggs.

We left our former home on Mountain Road last fall when we purchased the old Jedidiah Parker homestead on the Francestown Turnpike. We are still in Lyndeborough, a town that Amy has called home for the last decade. Since we have been at our new home, we have installed solar panels that will provide upwards of 50% of our energy needs. We have moved and resurrected our greenhouses, and we have added another 50 chickens to our flock. We purchased a tractor so we can give Amy's dad, Leo, a break with his.

Before snowfall, we tilled about an acre for spring planting. We recently received a shipment of 3,000 lbs. of certified organic potting soil and we are excited to begin planting seeds. We start off our growing season offering healthy seedlings for people to plant in their own gardens. Last season we grew about 20,000 plants and there were many unusual and heirloom varieties. With the average age of the US farmer being the mid-sixties, we feel empowered to be the next generation of agricultural entrepreneurs. Dan will be 28 soon, and in August Amy will turn 31.

We are members of the Northeast Organic Farming Association, Small and Beginning Farmers of NH, and the NH Farm Bureau. We strive to have a connection to our local farming community as well as the community as a whole. Although our home location is on the outskirts of town, so much so that New Boston delivers our mail, we feel we are a part of Lyndebrough and its agricultural heritage. It is a beautiful feeling to know that we are using the land of a very old farm in the way that it used to be.

In our first year of farming, we sold our produce at the Temple Farmers Market. It was a good way to get our feet wet in the farmer's market scene and we were able to see what the public was interested in. Last growing season we added the Amherst and Peterborough markets to our week. In 2013, we will be selling our plants and produce at the Amherst, Peterborough, and New Boston markets. Temple was a bit slow last year, and we made a decision to replace that market with a more profitable one.

We have also decided to offer CSA shares in the 2013 growing season. For those who have not heard of the CSA model, it stands for Community Supported Agriculture. The idea of CSA farms first came to the United States through farmers in New Hampshire. Harvesting, washing, packing and taking the time for a farmers market is never a guaranteed sale. Some weeks we do very well at market, and others are very trying. Working with the CSA model means that we will provide produce to our customers throughout the season. People sign up for a set amount of time--with us it will be a 20 week season from June 2 through October 15th. There is a set cost and a weekly pick up of the harvested produce.

For our first year running a CSA, we have decided to work together with Gene and Marilyn Jonas of Hungry Bear Farm in Wilton. Gene's booth is right across from ours at the Peterborough market. We could see each other as competition, but we chose to work together to be able to offer our customers a better variety, amount and diversity of produce offerings.

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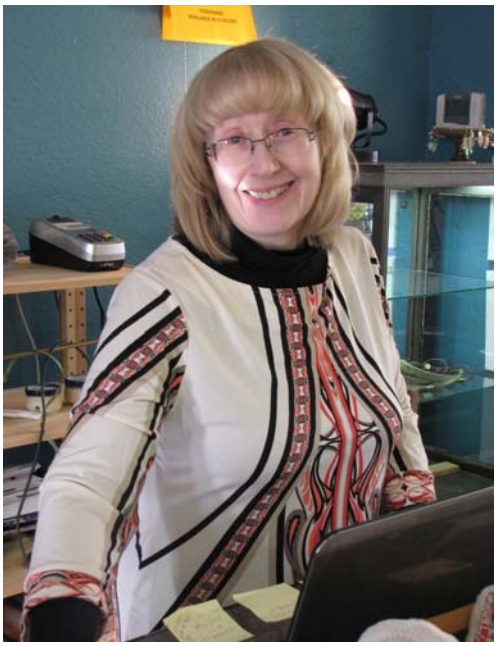
ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Coffee and doughnuts will be complimentary at this year's Town Meeting. This is my tenth year serving the citizens and voters of Lyndeborough.

-***Walter Holland, Moderator***

ACCENTS WITH STYLE: Diane Tenaglia



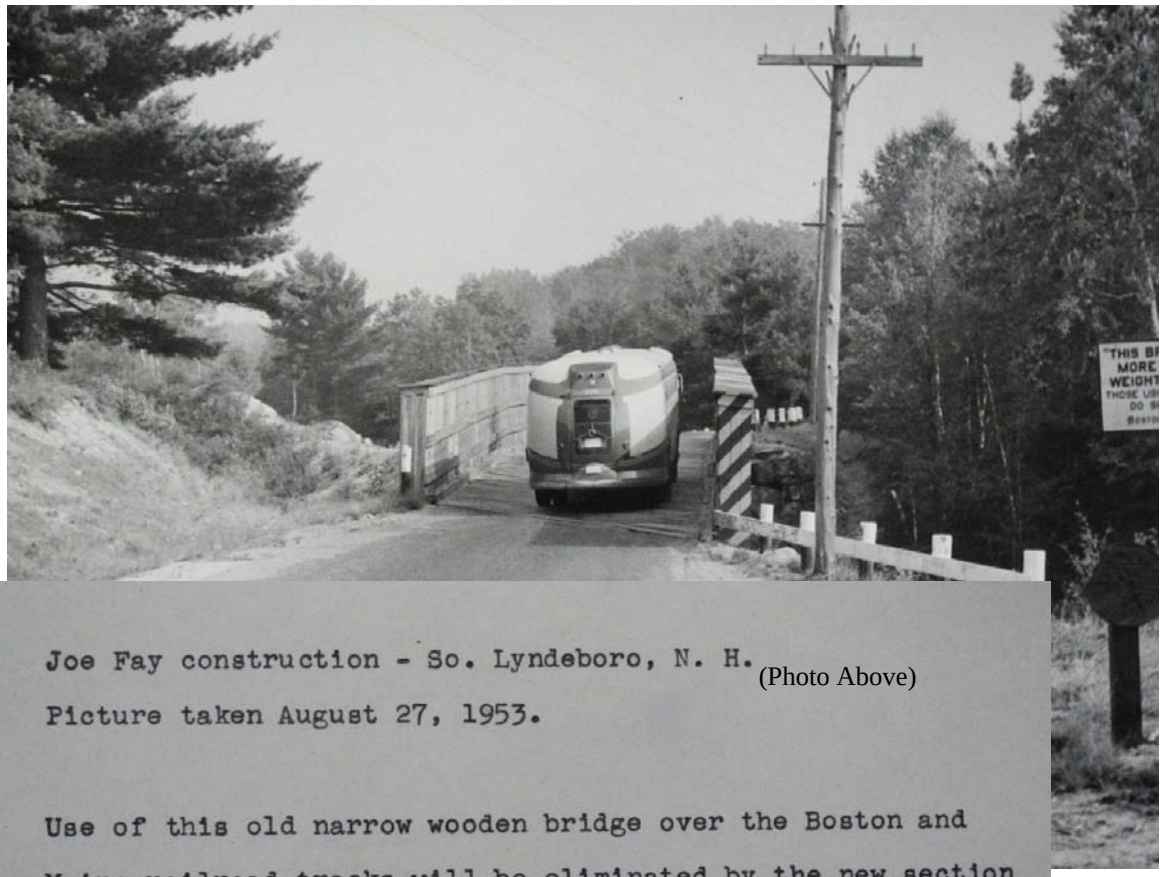
Ordinarily, *Views* articles focus on businesses located within Lyndeborough. This article deviates from the norm and focuses on a business in Wilton, aptly named Accents With Style. There is a reason for the deviation: If a Lyndeborough artisan's creations are a good fit for the store, Accents With Style can be a wonderful outlet to market his/her creations. When the store originally opened, in June 2010, it was located at the Pine Valley Mill building in Milford. Recently, when space opened up on Wilton's Main Street, Diane Tenaglia, store owner, jumped at the opportunity and relocated across from the Town Hall Theatre.

Diane grew up in the North Shore area of Massachusetts and has lived in New Hampshire since 1990, when she moved to Hollis with her family. Twelve years ago, the Tenaglias purchased and settled on16 acres of heaven in Wilton. Prior to opening Accents With Style, Diane worked many years in business management, including owning a Hallmark store in Concord, MA during the 1980s, working 15 years for a large international language publishing company, and also a paint and interior design company. After being laid off in 2009, she began realizing her dream of opening her own unique store catering to smart, quality gifts that are either locally made or made in the USA.

It is obvious Diane has a talent for interior design and a taste for quality as her store is beautifully laid out with eye-catching products. Her aim is to sell attractive, well-made products created by local artists and that is just what she is doing! Many Lyndeborough artists already have their innovations in her store. Keith Dwire's beautiful wood products such as bowls of all sizes, hand-turned vases, unique cutting boards, some furniture, and handcrafted wooden boxes are there. Emily Morgan's stunning hand painted silks in the shape of scarves and wall hangings along with prints of her artwork that have been made into greeting cards are on display. Julie Colotti of Julie Ann's Quilting has attractive quilted wine wraps, embroidered tea towels, baby bibs, aprons, brightly colored table runners, dog collars and bandanas for sale. Robin Arnold's company Peace of Earth gourmet dried mushrooms made with mushrooms from her own property, seasonings, gift basket items, creams, rice mixes, and bath salts are available. Sandra Sullivan's nicely designed hand knitted sweaters and cowls are for sale. Bee Fields Farm has provided a selection of healing salves, herbal salts, and teas. Corey Cheever, owner of Barb Wire Designs, recently added his unique, attractive, and colorful stained glass creations. Other items for sale are: Oil paintings, local photography, gorgeous jewelry, infinity scarves, assorted glass pieces, agate wind chimes, candles, recycled wine bottles made into wine glasses and tumblers, a good assortment of pottery, some Lyndeborough glass pieces, stone oil lamps and hot plates hand crafted from granite, and a children's section with a few toys, Raggedy Ann and Andy dolls and outfits, and quilts.

It is impossible to mention everything available in the store, within the limited space of this article, but I wholeheartedly encourage people to check it out. There are wonderful gift ideas, and it is a great way to support local artists. Artists who would like to find out about selling their products at Accents With Style should call 654-9868 for an appointment with Diane. Store hours areTuesday-Saturday 10-6, and Sundays from 10-5.

Friend "Accents with Style" on Facebook.



Joe Fay construction - So. Lyndeboro, N. H. (Photo Above)
Picture taken August 27, 1953.

Use of this old narrow wooden bridge over the Boston and Maine railroad tracks will be eliminated by the new section of Route 31. Boston and Maine bus almost fills it up.

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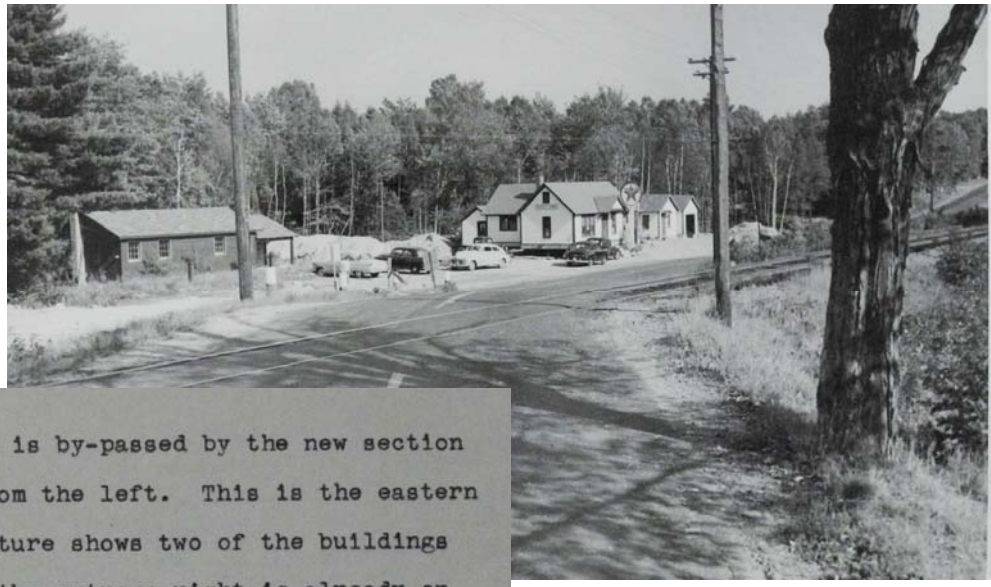

This is the grade crossing which is by-passed by the new section of Route 31. New road enters from the left. This is the eastern end of the new road, and the picture shows two of the buildings which were moved. The house at the extreme right is already on its new foundation, and the store adjacent to it is in the process of being back from the road. Excavation for the new foundation can be seen in back of the store. (Photo Above)

Lyndeborough's Past

chmidt for sharing these photos taken in 1953 of the effects of a new section of Route 31 being
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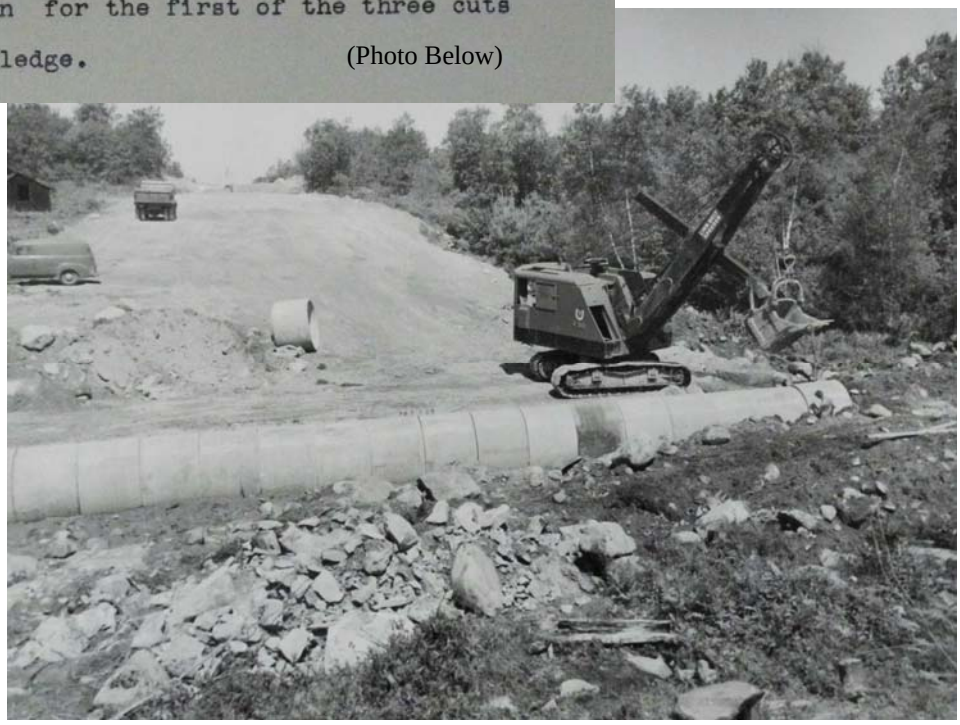
Link Belt Speeder removing rock from the
rn end of the new road. This was the final
job - when the picture was ta (Photo Right) Fay's
was working in back of the photographer.

116 feet of 60-inch double extra strength reinforced concrete pipe were used to take care of the only major drainage problem on the job. Larry Fowle's Link Belt Speeder was used to lift the sections into place. Twenty five feet of fill now cover this pipe. Picture was taken from the Lyndeboro Center road, looking toward the west. Drilling was under way at the top of the hill when this picture was taken for the first of the three cuts that were blasted through ledge. (Photo Below)



Denver Drill....*(Continued from page 1)*

er, but they also had to hold back the fire that was quickly encroaching into the room. As the rescuers quickly discovered, it is almost impossible for one firefighter to rescue a downed, dead-weight victim without the proper techniques. After almost 90 minutes of trying to rescue Engineer Langdvart, his body was recovered from the structure.

This particular story has become so widespread and well known that many fire departments across the country have designed training props to help teach the different rescue techniques and carries. On a Sunday afternoon, Deputy Chief Brian Smith got together with Lieutenant Kevin Berkebile and Lieutenant Mark Chase to build the Denver Drill training prop in the upstairs of Citizens Hall. The pictures show firefighters practicing the two firefighter rescue lifts and also getting creative--coming up with their own rescue techniques, some successful, some not so much. But situations like this are why we train. Some people would argue that Firefighter Langdvart died in a commercial structure and, since Lyndeborough does not actually have any commercial structures, they wonder if there is a need and why we bother with this type of training. The answer is simple The techniques we practiced during the Denver Drill can be utilized for any downed or trapped firefighter or civilian. Let's face it: it is not the type of structure where this rescue took place that matters, it is the techniques used that can be applied to any type of incident. Training is something we take very seriously, trying to stay up on different techniques and methods. Through Engineer Langdvart's death, many firefighters and civilians will be saved from challenging fires and events.

So, with that said, rest in peace, Engineer Langdvart. Even though you have passed on, you continue to help your brothers in the fire service.

NH Maple Weekend – Come Visit Lyndeborough's Own Maple Guys!

NH Maple Weekend will take place on Saturday, March 23rd and Sunday, March 24th this year. Many sugarhouses across the state will open their doors to visitors so that they may learn about the maple sugaring process, sample yummy maple products, and celebrate one of New Hampshire's long-standing traditions.

The Maple Guys' Sugar Shack at 146 Schoolhouse Road welcomes visitors both days from 11:00am until 4:00pm. We will be boiling on our two wood-fired evaporators, demonstrating how to tap a tree (weather permitting) and will have a wide variety of maple products available for sale. Free syrup samples, maple cotton candy, maple hot dogs, coffee and donuts will be served.

For more information, please call Chris or Kim at 487-3292 or visit www.mapleguys.com. A listing of all area sugarhouses that are opening their doors that weekend is available at ww.nhmapleproducers.com. Make a day of it and get out and enjoy the fun!

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Support CSA…… *(Continued from page 6)*

Our CSA will work as follows: The pick-up will be on Tuesdays from 3 to 7, at our farm located at 1857 2nd NH Turnpike. The cost for the season will be $400 for a Medium Share and $550 for our Large Share size. A Medium Share will average five offerings per week, for example- a pint of cherry tomatoes, one pound of green beans, several cucumbers, a bag of salad greens, and a few summer squash. This amount is good for a couple or single person. Our Large share will have seven to nine offerings in each week's basket. This amount for be suited for a family or a couple who eats vegetarian meals. Every week will be different and our offerings will coincide with the rhythm of the growing season. We will also occasionally add eggs and bouquets of flowers to our baskets. We are very excited to be working with Gene, and banding together with another small and local farm.

When asked to write a paragraph or two for print in the *Views*, Gene came up with the following:

"Hungry Bear Farm was started in 2009 when Gene and Marilyn Jonas moved to Wilton. After his 2008 lay-off from a software engineering job, Gene decided that he had had enough of the corporate world and decided to pursue something more meaningful, namely organic farming. He had spent a season working for Farmer Dave Dumaresq in Dracut, Massachusetts, and had learned much while there, even a little bit of Spanish.

"The couple purchased a home in Wilton with some fertile land, but not enough of the land was cleared to grow the quantities of produce that they envisioned. For their first two seasons they were fortunate to grow on some rented land in Milford. In the early spring of 2011, they were able to buy a beautiful piece of fertile land in Mason. An NRCS grant enabled them to put up a 30 X 72-foot hoop house on the property that has allowed them to extend the short growing season that New England farmers face.

"During the school year, Marilyn works as speech language pathologist in Lowell, Massachusetts. Her school schedule works nicely with the farm schedule since she is available to help Gene with harvesting and marketing during the busy summer months. Gene currently works year-round at the farm. Gene's favorite crop is his garlic, which is planted in the fall for the following season. Extra garlic is made into their Hungry Bear Garlic Salt at the end of the season. Marilyn's favorite crop is their log cultivated Shiitake mushrooms, which are tended and harvested under the shade of their Hemlock trees.

"Since they started farming, Marilyn has become more creative in the kitchen. The fresh foods that are harvested by Gene each day are an inspiration to her. Meals are created around the foods are brought in fresh from the field each day. Market day meals are the best. On market days, Gene brings home fresh goodies from other vendors and cooking tips from his customers. Items from fellow vendors such as fresh bread, goat cheese and ground lamb add variety to their meals. Some of their favorite recipes can be found on their website www.HungryBearFarm.com

"Gene and Marilyn have also been learning various ways to preserve foods so that they can enjoy their farm's produce through the winter."

We would love to see our farming endeavor together grow and flourish through the years. We know that our first year will be small, and we might depend on farmers markets for a lot of our sales. If anyone in the community is interested in joining our CSA or purchasing from us directly we can be contacted at (603) 554-5596. You can also find us on Facebook and look up some photos on our page. You can e-mail us at dirtyfeetamy@yahoo.com for more information or to request a brochure. We live at 1857 2nd NH Turnpike--just look for the big solar panels in the front field. We will be on the Lyndeborough Open Studio & Farm Tour on August 17th, and would love to give tours of the property and everything that will be growing in the summer sun.

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Easter Bunny is Coming to Town!

The Annual Easter Egg Hunt for the children of Lyndeborough will be held at 11:00 A.M. on Sunday, March 24, 2013 at Center Hall. Come and join the fun to fill your basket with colorful eggs. Sponsored by the Lyndeborough Fire Department Auxiliary.

LYNDEBOROUGH MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES

Schedule of Events for Sunday, May 26th, 2013

Time	Location
9:30 am	Memorial Day Observance with the Lafayette Artillery Co. at Lyndeborough Center Church
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 three salutes from their historic 1844 cannon at the end of the services.

9 am – 1 pm JA Tarbell Library

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. Donations of books and baked goods are always appreciated. Please plan to stop by, enjoy the treats, and support the library.

MILFORD INDOOR FARMERS MARKETS

Spring is almost here, leaving us with just three Indoor Winter Farmer's Markets at the Milford Town Hall Auditorium before the outdoor summer markets start up in June. For those of you craving local, natural, healthy food (grass-fed beef, lamb, pork, eggs, maple syrup, and honey) as well as other products (goat milk soaps, coffee, teas, dog treats etc.), come see us on the following **SATURDAYS from 10 - 1, on Mar 2nd, Mar 13th, and Apr 6th.**

We will print the summer/fall outdoor markets schedule in the June issue. We thank you for your support.

Senior Dinner Update

Senior Dinners continue to be held at Sacred Heart Church in Wilton from 4 – 6 pm. Due to the availability of volunteers to help with the dinners, the days will alternate with the months but always on the third weekend of the month. The March dinner will be on Friday, March 16th; the April dinner will be on Sunday, April 20th; and the May dinner on Friday, May 18th.

Open Cupboard Pantry Collection at Voting and Town Meeting

The Open Cupboard Pantry (OCP) serves the towns of Lyndeborough, Wilton, Temple and Greenfield. Clients visit at the OCP by appointment only. To schedule an appointment contact Roger LaDouceur. Patrons are screened to verify they are income eligible. The OCP is not intended to provide a family's total needs; it is meant to be a supplement to food stamps. If you have a question regarding your family's eligibility and you have access to the Internet, information is available on the Lyndeborough town web site. Go to www.town.lyndeborough.nh.us and scroll down to '**Where do I go for**,' click '**More'** and then click on '**Welfare'**. If you do not have internet access or have additional questions call Kate Thorndike at the Selectmen's Office at 654-5955. Additionally, the OCP is equipped to help families in emergency situations; if you are in need, please call Roger LaDouceur at 654-2635.

The Open Cupboard Pantry is supplied through donations (food and money) and New Hampshire Food Bank purchases. The need for food supplies increase during the summer months and at the sametime, donations typically reduce resulting in more purchased items. Presently, the Pantry would appreciate donations of toiletries (shampoo, conditioner, soap, deodorant), baking supplies (brownie mixes, cake mixes, etc.), and canned fruits. ***A box will be set up at town voting and town meeting 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.

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

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

The Wilton Lyndeborough Women's Club sponsored the Christmas Giving Trees in Wilton and Lyndeborough this year, collecting gifts for 17 families, totaling close to 50 children. Lyndeborough sponsored seven families with 11 children. Thank you to everyone who took a tag off a tree and bought a gift. The piles of gifts for each family were quite impressive, reflecting the generosity of the people of our town. The parents were very grateful and often teary eyed at the generosity of their neighbors. As the representative for all of you, I received the hugs, the heartfelt thanks, and the blessings for a wonderful New Year from recipients. I would also like to thank the Lyndeborough Fire Department, for donating gift certificates totaling $100 for each family and the United Church of Lyndeborough for their support.

Additionally, the Wilton Christmas families received generous support from the Wilton Lions Club, the Unitarian Universalist Church, the Second Congregational Church and Label Art. Thank you to the Lyndeborough residents who helped the Wilton families through their affiliation with these groups.

Letter from one of the Christmas families.

I don't even know how to tell you how I feel about the love & generosity we have felt from everyone this Christmas. Of course Christmas is not about the "stuff", but I am deeply touched that people care so much that they are willing to give of themselves to their neighbors in need. We really had a wonderful holiday this year and in part due to those who helped us this year. The children very much enjoyed their gifts. Even the sheets. :)

They continue to enjoy them & my oldest has made about a hundred earrings so far.

With our family circumstances changing I personally am especially grateful. It was a huge burden off my conscious.

Once again thank you to everyone who helped our family.

-A Grateful Lyndeborough Family.

Stories in Stone: Beasom Burial Ground

By Ginny Chrisenton, Cemetery Trustee

The old Beasom/Dolliver homestead, built in 1775, was at the corner of what is now Woodward Road and Beasom Road. The Beasom Burial Ground is tucked away in the woods. The 1905 history book considers the Beasom Burial ground one of the first places of sepulture in town. It also mentions that many people were buried here, and that all the slate headstones were broken in pieces by 1905 except for one which reads:

"In Memory of
Christopher S. Blaney,
(son of Capt. William and Mrs.
Ruth S. Blaney) who died
July 22nd, 1789 aged 13
Years, 5 Months & 25 Days.
Affliction fore long time i bore,
Phicians strove in vain,
Til God was ples'd to give me ease,
And tuk away my pain."
The foot stone reads:
C. Blaney.

It has a few curvy lines that might be wings or waves. The slate stones are in good condition with intricate carvings. The chip at the top happened long ago. The headstone angles a little, so the back is covered with lichens but the protected front face is readable. Early American gravestone carvings show a grim death's head or a grinning skull with wings, as if to say you are mortal, you can die soon. Later, the carvings became gentler with feathery wings, and more like a round angel's face with eyes and smiling mouth. The epitaphs also changed to "Here lies ...." as if to focus on the person who was and not that death is coming. Still later, the image was of an urn with a weeping willow bending over it as if to show the mourning of the people left behind. The angel's head shown at the top center of Christopher's headstone is neither smiling nor frowning. The words "Memen tomori are below the angel. Memento Mori is a Latin phrase that means "Remember your morality" or “Remember you will die." This headstone and epitaph seem to lie between the time of the grim death's head and the smiling angel's head.

There is no record of who else was buried here. More than two centuries of leaf debris has obliterated any sign of the broken headstones mentioned in the 1905 history book. To the south of this headstone are several field stones set in a line that may mark very early graves. There are several piles of weathered stones on the outskirts of this area that may have been placed there when graves were dug. There is no stone wall or evidence of a fence surrounding this burial ground.
I've often wondered why Christopher was buried here when his parents lived on the Wilton end of the Stage Road that starts down near South Lyndeborough Village. It wasn't until I was researching material for this article that I found a website, in New Zealand of all places, that states that his mother's maiden name was Beasom. He was buried behind her parent's home.

There are some very finely carved slate gravestones in Lyndeborough. Some have both a headstone and a foot stone. Next time you are in one of the old sections of a cemetery in town, look at the carvings on the old slate stones for examples of the grim death's head with Memento Mori, the angel's head and the weeping willow. The dates of death will give you an idea of when the different changes came to the gravestones in Lyndeborough.

Riverview Mill Open Studio – Mother’s Day

Participating artists will include Mudworks Pottery, The Silver Branch (a world of Faeries), Lil' Un Miniatures, a variety of Fine Art Painters, Sussy-Rose Shields Jewelry Studio; and open as well will be Life Path Energy, and Ladybead & Rook Bead Shop. Come enjoy live music by musician Charlie Christos' in his third floor studio.

Riverview Mill Open Studios will be open Mother's Day, Sunday, May 12th from 11am to 5pm. Hope to see you there!

Kitchen Views…

New Hampshire Maple Syrup Muffins

By Evelyn Lunardini Kniedler

1 cup rolled oats
1 cup all-purpose flour
4 tsp. baking powder
¼ tsp. salt
2 eggs
½ cup heavy cream
½ cup maple syrup
1/3 cup melted butter
½ cup chopped walnuts or pecans

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Butter 12 muffin tins. Combine dry ingredients. Beat eggs and add remaining ingredients, blending well. Stir into oat mixture. Spoon equal amounts of batter into the 12 muffin cups and bake 20 minutes or until golden brown. Serve hot!
Makes 12 muffins

7th Annual Community Day and 3rd Annual Open Studio & Farm Tour

This year's Community Day and Open Studio & Farm Tour will be held the weekend of August 17th and 18th. We are planning new activities & speakers for Community Day as well as new additions to the Studio & Farm Tour. More information will follow in the next issue of the Views and on the town website.
If you are interested in participating in either event as a volunteer or as a participant, or have any suggestions for activities, please contact Karen Holland, 654-2480 or kjh1@tds.net.

Submission deadline for the
June issue of
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is **May 17th**

Share your announcements, photos and stories!!

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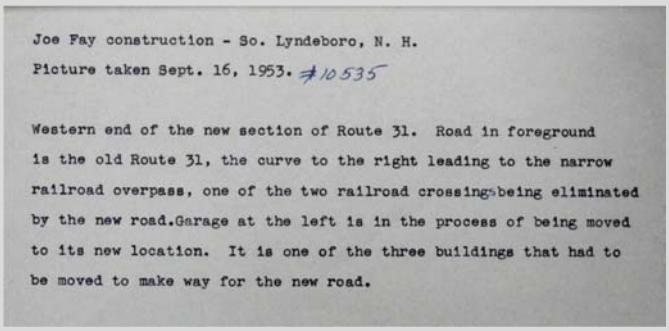

Joe Fay construction - So. Lyndeboro, N. H.
Picture taken Sept. 16, 1953. #10535

Western end of the new section of Route 31. Road in foreground is the old Route 31, the curve to the right leading to the narrow railroad overpass, one of the two railroad crossings being eliminated by the new road. Garage at the left is in the process of being moved to its new location. It is one of the three buildings that had to be moved to make way for the new road.

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