



# Lyndeborough Views

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## Know Your Neighbors..... and thank them.

By *Nadine Preftakes*

Inspiration usually comes to me when I least expect it, in the midst of ordinary moments or occasionally during tiresome tasks. Even so, it never ceases to amaze me just how meaningful these random thoughts can be. I was shoveling snow during one of the many recent snowstorms when my neighbor came by, stopped what he was doing, and proceeded to finish the job – twice as fast as I could have done. On that cold and snowy day I stood there in amazement and marveled at an ordinary act of kindness.

Lyndeborough neighbors have an incredible ability to come together and help each other in situations both big and small. We also have the perseverance to volunteer our time and energy on committees, boards, departments, and more. The list of neighbors that help and give to others is impressive and deserves acknowledgement and recognition.

In light of the many feet of snow that has fallen this winter, it is important to thank the members of the Highway Department, who go out of their way to make the roads safe for us. It takes three guys, three hours each to go around and plow the 350 miles of roads in town. Sometimes, when the snow refuses to quit, they will plow for as many hours as it takes to keep ahead of the storm. Also, as we travel our well-plowed roads, let's not forget to take a moment to thank the mechanics in this town who work hard at keep-

ing our cars, buses and trucks running smoothly and have gone out of their way to help people in need with a loaner car, or a “drop what you are doing, hurry up, and fix it emergency.”

And did you know that the men and women on Lyndeborough's Fire Department have responded to thirty calls since January 1? They have left the comfort of their homes on some bone-chilling cold and snowy days and nights to assist on medical calls, motor vehicle accidents, and fires of all kinds. One structure fire in town was so cold that the hoses actually froze to the ground, but the firefighters never gave up until the fire was extinguished.

We should not forget to thank the volunteers and EMTs on the ambulance crew who, despite the weather or time of day, dedicate themselves to help people in crisis, as well as our police force who work hard to keep our town and its citizens safe.

Thank you to the town employees who willingly share their expertise in all areas of town business and to help in any way they can with our many questions and inquiries concerning town and personal issues. Thank you also for the work they do to make our Town Report the best that it can be; and for setting up and dismantling the location where elections and town functions are held.

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### **Town Election Information**

Town Election will be held Tuesday, March 10, 2015 at Citizens' Hall, located at 9 Citizens' Hall Road, from 10 a.m. – 7 p.m. The Lafayette Artillery will be selling baked goods and lunch along with t-shirts, cards, and other items.

Town Meeting will also be held at Citizens' Hall on Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup> beginning at 10 a.m. The Women's Auxiliary will be selling baked goods and lunch.

***In addition, raffle items will be on display and tickets sold during both days to support Sharon and Larry Boisvert who lost their home in a fire. Please see the article in this issue for more information. Donations will also be accepted.***



# Town of Wilton Ambulance Takes Delivery of New Ambulance

By Gary Zirpolo, Chief of Department

The Town of Wilton Ambulance took delivery of their new 2014 PL Custom Ambulance, Stryker Power Cot Stretcher, and radio repeater. This ambulance is on a Ford F450 4x4 Pickup Style Chassis. The vehicle was purchased from Sugarloaf Ambulance/Rescue Vehicles in Wilton, Maine. The vehicle was placed in service on Monday, October 27<sup>th</sup>. This ambulance cost \$205,000, which was split between the towns of Wilton, Lyndeborough, and Temple. The funds came from capital reserve funds and taxation. This ambulance is expected to be in-service, for at least ten years, until 2024. The new ambulance has several new safety features for the EMS providers, including the Power Cot Stretcher, the "Medic in Mind" layout of the ambulance, and a vehicle repeater.

The Power Cot Stretcher from Stryker is an innovative battery-powered hydraulic system that raises and lowers the patient with the touch of a button. This reduces the lifting of patients, and the potential for back injuries to the EMS providers. "Patients are not getting any lighter, and EMS providers are not getting any younger" says Gary Zirpolo, a 30 year EMS provider and Chief of the Service. Chief Zirpolo also stated "This should help with loading patients in the ambulance. Where patients that were 300 pounds would take three or four providers to lift the stretcher, then put it in the ambulance, this will only require two providers."



The ambulance is also set up radically different than previous ambulances. The "Medic in Mind" layout puts provider and patient safety first. The Medic in Mind layout supports easy access to everyday equipment from a seated position on either side of the vehicle. Keeping necessary patient care equipment and function switches within arm's reach allows the attendant to remain seated. The interior was custom-designed to work with the individual protocols and practices of the Town of Wilton Ambulance. Chief Zirpolo stated "This should help keep our personnel safer while the ambulance is moving. They shouldn't have to get up to get things as much and not be belted in. "

This ambulance also has an on-board radio repeater installed. This repeater will make it so that whatever channel the ambulance radio is on will be rebroadcasted to the provider's portables. This will make it easier for providers to reach dispatch for assistance and with updates. Presently the provider has to be able to transmit to dispatch directly from their portable. There are several areas that the Town of Wilton Ambulance covers where that is not possible with a 5-watt portable radio. The on-board vehicle repeater will take that 5-watt portable radio transmission it receives and amplify it twenty times (to 100 watts) so that dispatch will be able to better talk to field providers. "This is a provider and patient safety issue," says Chief Zirpolo. "Presently, if we need assistance, and we cannot transmit to dispatch, someone has to stop what they are doing and go to the ambulance and call for assistance. This repeater will be critical when we have unstable patients and need to call for additional assistance. It will also benefit us when we have a patient, family member, or perpetrator that may be putting our crews in jeopardy. They will then be able to speak directly to dispatch to get police assistance".

The replaced ambulance was a 2001 Ford E450 Lifeline Ambulance. Milford Ambulance Service Director Eric Schelberg approached the Town of Wilton Ambulance to discuss trading in their old ambulance and Milford keeping Wilton's 2001 ambulance. It was determined that the trade-in value of both ambulances were equal. Through negotiations, a trade was made. It was agreed that if the Town of Wilton Ambulance needed to borrow an ambulance, and Milford was not using the 2001 as a primary ambulance, the Town of Wilton Ambulance would be allowed to borrow the unit, rent free, if one of Wilton's was out of service. "This is a win/win situation for both Milford and Wilton," said Chief Zirpolo. Milford gets a better "back line" ambulance with less miles and Wilton gets a loaner when we need it."

The Town of Wilton Ambulance staff thanked the citizens of the towns of Wilton, Lyndeborough and Temple for approving the purchase of the ambulance, stretcher, and repeater. Chief Zirpolo stated "This ambulance will allow us to do our job better and keep us safe while doing it."

# Lyndeborough Town Offices Up for Election

OFFICE	TERM	CURRENTLY HELD BY	PEOPLE WHO FILED
SELECTMAN (1)	3 Year	Arnold A. Byam III	
TOWN CLERK/TAX COLLECTOR (1)	3 Year	Patricia "Trish" Schultz	Patricia "Trish" Schultz
CEMETERY TRUSTEE (1)	3 Year	Lawrence Cassidy	Lawrence Cassidy
LIBRARY TRUSTEE (2)	3 Year	Mark Schultz	Mark Schultz
		V. Lucille Watt	V. Lucille Watt
TRUSTEE OF TRUST FUNDS (1)	3 Year	Stanley Greene	Stanley Greene
BUDGET COMMITTEE: (3)	3 Year	Donald Guertin	
	3 Year	Sandy Schoen	Sandy Schoen
	3 Year	Burton Reynolds	Burton Reynolds
ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT (2)	3 Year	Lee Mayhew	Lee Mayhew
		Karen Grybko	Karen Grybko

## Citizens Hall Stage Refurbishment

By Russ Boland, Town Administrator

Over the years the stage located upstairs at Citizens' Hall has been used for Town Meetings, school graduations and many town and private functions. It has also become a catch all for records and other materials, resulting in a very cluttered situation.

Over the last several months all the departments in town have spent time sorting through the stored material, either disposing of old, irrelevant materials or relocating some items to the Emergency Management Garage on Center Rd.

Wally Holt has spent a lot of time repairing the ceiling and walls that have been damaged over the years. Upon completing the repairs, Wally painted both the ceiling and walls, giving them a nice new look. The most impressive part of the refurbishment has been the refinishing of the stage hardwood floor. It is estimated that the floor has not been refinished since 1889. The floor was sanded, sealed and three coats of finish were applied. A lighting and electrical evaluation was done by a licensed electrician, and several electrical outlets will be added, along with separating some of the outlets onto their own circuit to reduce the chance of overload. With the help of Walter Holland and the Lafayette Artillery, the last portion of the refurbishment will be the addition of patriotic bunting to the stage.



## Maple Syrup Weekend – March 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> – Mark Your Calendars

NH Maple Weekend will take place on Saturday, March 28 and Sunday, March 29 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 311 Cram Hill Road welcomes visitors both days from 11:00am until 4:00pm. Tour the sugarhouse and see sap boiling on a wood-fired evaporator, learn how to tap a tree (weather permitting) and sample freshly made maple products.

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

**Four Saps Sugar Shack** will be open Saturday and Sunday from 8 am – 5 pm. They are located on Center Rd near Rt 31. Weather permitting they will be boiling sap and showing the sugaring process. They make delicious products for sale with their sap such as maple chocolates and lollipops, maple cookies, maple bon bons, and of course maple syrup. You can find photos of these on their Facebook page. For more information see their web site at [www.foursapssugarshack.com](http://www.foursapssugarshack.com) or call Ken Begley at 603-714-4503.

Please plan to stop by both locations to support Lyndeborough businesses!

## Stories in Stone: Bears

By Ginny Chrisenton, Cemetery Trustee

Early settlers had many encounters with bears. Two cases involved killing a bear in its den! These stories are so interesting from "The History of the Town of Lyndeborough New Hampshire 1735-1905 that I've quoted them below.

"Captain {Jacob} Wellman {Sr.} lived at Johnson's Corner, on the place now occupied by Mr. Frank Carson. He had two sons, Jacob and John, respectively, ten and eight years of age. About the year 1758, the boys were left alone by their parents one day. The gun hung in its accustomed place and they were warned not to use it, for it was heavily loaded for a bear. They were also ordered not to leave the house for fear the bears might catch them. But no sooner were the parents out of sight than the boys took down the gun and started off into the woods. When about a half a mile from home they met a huge bear, which stood up before them. Jacob rested the gun on John's shoulder and fired, and shot the bear dead. The boys then went home. When the parents returned they soon learned what had happened, and with the assistance of neighbors the bear was brought home.

We may suppose that the father was so glad that his children were unharmed and had made such an excellent shot that he did not insist on trouncing them as they deserved for their disobedience." Page 117

"One season, it is said, the bears made sad havoc of the corn fields in Johnson's Corner. The people had tried to hunt and trap them but without success. At their wits end, they sought assistance from Osgood Carleton, who had just returned from one of his surveying trips, and whom they knew as a skillful trapper and hunter. He tried his hand at setting a gun-trap, and spent the night at Mr. Carson's, on what is now known as the Kilburn Curtis place. In the gray dawn of the next morning the old Scotch housekeeper called out, 'Osga, you gun gaed off!' 'Stopping only for his pants, — barefoot — he repaired to the scene. It was not yet light. He could see no bear. He jumped from the fence on what seemed to be a black log, and landed pumb on the dead bear.' Major Proctor, the narrator of this incident, thought the surprise had been mutual had the bruin been alive. The beast had thriven on the corn, and is said to have tipped the beam at more than four hundred pounds." Page 118.



Jacob Wellman, Jr. also had two more interesting encounters with bears.

"It is related of him that in company with Thomas Johnson he was in the woods one day in search of timber when they saw a bear approaching. One of them had an axe in his hand and the other a handspike, and they held their ground, standing perfectly still. The bear came on until pretty near them, then stopped and began growling and making other hostile demonstrations, but suddenly hitched back a few steps and fled from their sight. Weldon said Johnson was paler than he was when facing the British at the Battle of Bunker Hill. At another time, in company with another man, hunting bears, they had driven one into its den, in which there were some cubs. Weldon agreed to crawl into the cave, having first fastened a rope to his ankles and instructed his companion to pull him out if he jerked the rope. With his musket in his hand he cautiously crawled into the cave until he could see the bear's eye glisten, then took aim and fired and lost no time in backing out. They then built a fire to smoke out the cubs. But after awhile they found the old bear dead, and the cubs, two in number suffocated. To crawl into a den where there is a bear guarding her cubs would seem to require nerve of the highest kind." Page 873.

The Wellmans are buried in Johnson Corner Cemetery, the 4th row on the left as you go through the middle gate. John Wellman's family is buried first followed by Jacob Wellman Sr. and Jacob Wellman Jr. I spent quite a while looking at the Jacob Wellman graves when the computerized cemetery maps were drawn. There were several errors in the drawing and I needed the history book to work out the genealogy of the family to make sure the map was corrected. One interesting feature is a large, square, upright stone with no markings that is labeled on the old hand drawn maps as "Mrs. Johnson". Jacob Wellman, Sr. married Jane Johnson. The new maps label the stone as "Mrs. Johnson (Jane Johnson Wellman?)"

Stoney Brook was originally called "Bear Brook" and then "The River" probably as it's the largest stream in town. Wilton always called it Stoney Brook and that's what we call it today.

By 1905 when the first history book in town was published, bears, wolves and moose had disappeared from town. Deer were starting to make a comeback. At this point in time, New Hampshire was mostly fields with few forests. Today the landscape is reversed with New Hampshire being the most heavily forested state in the country.

## Rural School Memories – Come and Share

By Polly Brown

Mark your calendars and let your friends who went to a rural school in Lyndeborough know our first gathering is going to be April 7<sup>th</sup> at 1 p.m. in the J.A. Tarbell Library Community Room.

Former students who have pictures and memories to share please be sure to bring them along! We feel this is an important part of the history of education, in our town. We have located students who attended between the years of 1935 – 1949 and still live in the area. We are very excited about this gathering and have already shared some stories about learning in a one-room rural school but we know many more remain in the hearts and minds of the former students. So come and join us! We would love to hear from you!

Please call Polly Brown, 654-9234, if you are interested or plan to join us on April 7<sup>th</sup>.



## DONATION TO HISTORICAL SOCIETY

By Jessie Salisbury

The Historical Society recently received an anonymous gift of a small bottle which once held "sweet oil" which was "put up by J.A. Tarbell of So. Lyndeboro." The bottle is bluish-green but is probably not Lyndeborough glass since there is no marking on it. The neck of the bottle was broken off but included in the gift. It had a cork and metal stopper. The label is yellowed and fragile, and having a label on a bottle is quite unusual.

Joseph Tarbell, who was the donor of the town's library in 1911, was born in 1844, the son of Joel and Mary Tarbell, the sixth of their eight children. In 1867, he married Amaret Lakin of Hancock.

He began his flavoring and extract business in West Wilton about 1870 but soon moved to South Lyndeborough. His flavorings were said to be highly regarded and were sold by a teamster and salesman throughout southern New Hampshire, Vermont, and northern Massachusetts. In 1878, he sold the business to his partner and brother-in-law, Fred B. Richards, and purchased the Village Store from his nephew Charles Tarbell. He operated the store for two years, sold it back to his nephew and moved to Hancock where he was a prosperous farmer. In 1911, wanting to do something for his hometown, he donated the library.

Fred B. Richards (1852-1943) married first Emogene Lakin of Hancock and second Susannah Hartshorn of Lyndeborough. He had four children. The youngest, Sarah, married Casseus Armstrong and lived much of her life on the family farm on Locust Lane.

In addition to the flavoring business, Richards was a school teacher, served on the town's education committee and in the state legislature, and was a strong supporter of the Baptist Church.

The little bottle will be shown the next time the Historical Society has a display of artifacts, sometime during the summer.



**ABOVE:** The label on this bottle, an anonymous gift to the Historical Society, reads "Pure Sweet Oil, put up by J.A. Tarbell, So. Lyndeboro, N.H." Tarbell operated the flavoring business between 1870 and 1878.

# 44BIKES

By Adrienne Colsia

Kristofer (Kris) Henry is one talented man, who is proof that by following your dreams and working hard you can accomplish anything you put your mind to. With his inquisitive nature, high standards, and voracious appetite for learning he has learned and achieved much. He now harnesses his many talents into building custom steel bike frames and rigid forks. The fork on a bike is that piece that connects the front tire with the rest of the frame. He physically builds each frame and fork, but also hand picks every component on a bike with each client.



Almost from the moment Kris was first, on a bike as a child, he fell in love with the freedom riding brought him and the ability to choose his own path. Growing up in East Greenville, Pennsylvania, he also loved building and making things. His grandfather, who passed away when he was very young, was a union welder with an extensive collection of tools and machines. At family gatherings, Kris would sneak off to the garage where the tools were kept, put on gloves and welding helmets, and "practice" using some of the equipment. At some point he realized he was going to combine his love of biking and building things.

Not knowing where he wanted to direct his energies while attending Penn State, he took an "Introductory to Light Metals" course. Watching his professor use skill with a torch to create a piece of work and explain the importance of methodology, Kris was hooked by the process. He decided to major in Gold and Silver Smithing. While researching a jewelry project, he stumbled upon Industrial Design, which fascinated him. He decided to learn everything he could about it. Penn State had an abundance of resources at his disposal. During his time at Penn State, he began his bike-building journey by building bike hubs.

The summer after graduating from Penn State, he met a graphic designer for Bicycling Magazine while out on a bike ride. After talking a bit he set up an interview and got a job as his intern helping out with graphic design. It was here he realized he had a knack for this kind of work. While at Penn State, he was advised to pursue Industrial Design at Rhode Island School of Design (RISD) but did not investigate this avenue until this time. He also visited the school, loved what the school had to offer, put his portfolio together, submitted an application, and was accepted to their undergraduate Industrial Design program. He then had to make an important life choice: the bike magazine job where he helped out with photo shoots, graphic design, took bike rides over lunch and could possibly be a career or go back to intensive studies and more school debt to become a product designer. Everyone at the Bicycling Magazine was very supportive, with his boss having the final words "Get out of here."

He proceeded to have three very intense years of Industrial Design studies. He and a friend calculated the amount of time they spent in the studio those three years and it came out to a total of twenty-four hours a day for 1-1/2 years. This full immersion in the industrial design field was life-altering. Kris was grooming himself to design furniture, but life had other plans. A month before graduation a designer from Reebok visited the campus; Kris was advised by a professor to show him his completed portfolio. The Reebok designer was a jewelry designer, too; they hit it off and he was hired to design sneakers. After a year at Reebok, he went to work for Converse.

Kris knew he wanted to be his own boss and did not enjoy sitting in front of a computer all day long. He knew he needed a change! In 2003, without a real plan in place, he tendered his resignation and started a small design consulting business in Rhode Island. He specialized in graphic design and brand management. He had to work hard to get cli-

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# Lyndeborough Couple Plans to Rebuild After Fire

**Kathleen Baglio Humphreys**

After a fire severely damaged their 200-year old farmhouse, the owners of Feel Good Farm, Larry and Sharon Boisvert, plan to rebuild.

The state Fire Marshall ruled the fire "accidental by nature". The fire started in the refrigerator, which spread to papers on the fridge which dropped into a waste basket spreading to the second floor and roof.

The house at 52 Johnson Corner Road suffered major damage to the kitchen area, second floor and roof on the backside of the house. There is water and smoke damage.

"We have a double-door refrigerator. It's only eight years old. The fire started in the upper right hand side and it went down to where the compressor is," said Larry Boisvert.

Homeowners Larry and Sharon Boisvert have deep roots in Lyndeborough. "Absolutely we will rebuild. I have lived in Lyndeborough my whole life. I have deep roots here and grew up here. I'm here to stay," said Larry. "Right now we don't have any clothes, everything is frozen and stuck together," said Boisvert. Boisvert chuckled when he said, "The blueberries are fine in the freezer. I still have blueberries for sale."

Larry and Sharon Boisvert visit twice a day to care for their horses and other animals. "I had a truckload of hay in the barn which didn't get harmed. We come here and give them grain, hay and water and put them in the barn and they are happy and warm. We come back and let them out and they are fine," said Boisvert.

"We don't even have a bed to sleep on now. I was walking around to see if I could salvage anything in the house or food but it's all frozen together," added Boisvert.

"We will try to help with toiletries, linens and food," said Karen Grybko of the Wilton-Lyndeborough Women's Club. The Women's Club is seeking items for a raffle to be drawn at Town Meeting to benefit Sharon and Larry Boisvert. To donate or to buy raffle tickets contact Karen Grybko at 603-654-5362.

The Boisverts have been staying with relatives or at the parsonage house at the United Church. They plan to move into a small cottage on the property, and they will need household items and furniture at that time. They did not have insurance.

To help contact Citizens' Hall at 603-654-5955 and see the information about the planned benefit for Sharon and Larry in this issue of the Views.

## LYNDEBOROUGH MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES

Schedule of Events for Sunday, May 24th, 2015

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 at 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.

The Lafayette Artillery Co. will also participate in the Wilton Memorial Day Parade and ceremonies on Monday, May 25, 2015. The parade starts at 9:00 am.

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# A Note from the Lyndeborough Conservation Commission

Mike Decubellis, Member

We are very excited to formally announce to the town that a project is underway for our regional conservation partner, Piscataquog Land Conservancy (PLC), to purchase the summit of Rose Mountain.

One of the highest priority goals within our Town Master Plan and Natural Resource Inventory is to protect our mountain-tops and provide open access to the community. This project does just that and will ensure that this parcel is open and accessible in perpetuity.

For those who are not familiar with it, the PLC is our primary regional partner. It is able to provide us with significant resources to accomplish goals that would not get done without its help. Responsible for over 100 properties totaling more than 6,000 acres in our area, we feel that the PLC is the perfect organization to take ownership of Rose Mountain.

The Lyndeborough Conservation Commission is contributing \$20,000 (12%) of the \$170,000 total project cost. From a financial perspective we feel that we are making great use of the conservation fund when we can leverage a small amount of our money to complete an important town project.

As you will read in the following PLC article, a fund drive is underway to complete this important project within our town. I would ask each of you to contribute what you can to help us achieve this goal

## PLC Launches Campaign to Conserve Rose Mountain

The Piscataquog Land Conservancy has signed an agreement to purchase a 189-acre, privately-owned property that encompasses the summit of Rose Mountain in Lyndeborough. Protecting the mountain has long been on the wish list of conservationists in our area, and now this goal is within reach. PLC has until the end of this year to raise \$170,000 and complete the purchase from the current owner. If they are successful, the summit of this well-loved local mountain will be protected forever as a PLC-managed preserve.

Rose Mountain is part of the Lyndeborough Hills, which also include Lyndeborough Mountain, The Pinnacle, and Winn Mountain. Rose Mountain's 1,730-foot summit offers views (or potential views) west to Crotched Mountain and to Pack, North Pack, and Mount Monadnock, south into the Souhegan River Valley, north to the Kearsarge-Sunapee region, and east across the entire Piscataquog River watershed all the way to Manchester. Rose Mountain itself is visible from high points throughout the region.

Like many of the hills in our area, the summit of Rose Mountain was once entirely open due to regular burning for blueberry cultivation – a common practice into the 1970s. To this day, the blueberries on the summit are worth the trip in season. If PLC is successful in protecting the property, they hope to do some limited cutting on the immediate summit to reopen full 360-degree views.

A number of hiking trails and old woods roads run across the Rose Mountain property, making for an easy hike to the summit, and connecting to other trails to The Pinnacle and Winn Mountain. The trails also see lots of winter use by cross-country skiers, snow shoers, and snowmobilers. One downside of the mountain's relatively easy access is that several sec-

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## *Know Your Neighbor..... (Continued from page 1)*

When we want books to read, our librarian and library volunteers help us find the stories we want. On any given morning, you can walk into the Village Store and be greeted with the tantalizing smell of fresh baked goods, a friendly face, and perhaps even a bit of good-natured sarcasm or well-meaning advice.

It takes many people to educate our children, so thanks to all of the Lyndeborough Central School staff. I know firsthand how much the staff cares and how hard all of them work to provide the best education for our children. And the school bus drivers should be recognized for transporting our children to school and home safely in all kinds of weather conditions.

The staff at the Little Quilt Shop is always cheerful and willing to help anyone choose just the right kind of fabric for any sewing project or donate canned goods to a family in need at Christmas.

Thanks to the mailperson who delivers our letters, packages and junk mail in rainy, snowy or sunny weather; the thoughtful people who faithfully feed the birds in the winter, help out a stranded motorist, keep an eye out for our elderly neighbors, bake donuts for every fundraiser in town or write a letter for a friend who is going through a difficult period in their life.

We need to remember the neighbor who takes time out of their busy day to stop and chat with a friend in the grocery store, on their phone or even on a country road. Thank the ones who shovel or snow blow your walkway and driveway on their own time, organize the painting of our beautiful Center Church, or just take a second to smile at a stranger.

And let's not forget to thank Santa and the Easter Bunny who manage to take time out of their busy schedules to come to our town and welcome the children young and old.

The Lafayette Artillery deserves recognition for keeping our town history alive and reminding us how important it is to celebrate and preserve our town and country's heritage. Lyndeborough loves to celebrate our patriotism with parades, firing the canon, and raising the flag during the Fourth of July, Memorial Day, Labor Day and Veteran's Day. We honor the men and women who have served our country and make us aware of what a privilege it is to live in the United States of America. And we need to thank the folks who work hard to maintain our cemeteries and make them incredibly beautiful, allowing us to show respect for the ones who have gone before us.

Whenever a fundraiser is held in town for the fire department, the auxiliary, artillery, library or historical society, townsfolk are quick to contribute baked goods, attend and support the cause. It always makes me smile; because, I see each generous contribution passing from one organization to another. I view that phenomenon as a fun and positive way of helping one another and enjoying ourselves in the process.

We all are the custodians and caretakers of our town and its citizens – interconnected in ways too many to count. I know I have only scratched the surface of the myriad of commitment and dedication and the kind, impromptu deeds that people in this town do for one another. I believe it does not matter if what we give or do for others is big or small; the important thing is that we do.



*Above: Mark Chase from the Highway Department in front of his plow.*

# The Easter Bunny will be arriving soon on a fire truck!!!

Event: Town Easter Egg Hunt

When: Sunday, March 29, 2015

Time: 1:00 pm

Sponsored By: Lyndeborough Fire Department Auxiliary

Bring a basket, and prepare to have a great time!



## FARMERS MARKETS UPDATE

By Adrienne Colsia

The Milford Winter Market is still in full swing and will be through April 11<sup>th</sup>. Come see us on the following Saturdays from 10-1 in the Town Hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Auditorium: 3/7, 3/21, and 4/11.

Enjoy a smooth cup of Parker House coffee while munching on a fresh apple spice donut from Valentine and Sons. Pick up kale at Aquaponics, and goat cheese at Butternut Farm or a variety of cheeses from Temple/Wilton Community Farm all made on their farm with organic milk from their cows. Then pick up some chocolate infused wine jelly at Laurel Hill Jams and Jellies to go with homemade artisan bread from Favorite Things. If you are a baker, Hilltop Farm makes it easier with baking mixes for brownies, cornbread, and muffins. Their samples will make you a fan! Stormy Moon will supply your eggs and relish needs.

Are you a knitter? Paradise Farm sells skeins of non-dyed, all-natural yarn made from their Romney sheep. They also sell sheep pelts to keep you warm in the cold weather! If you want to pamper yourself, Hemlock Spring Soaps sells goat milk soaps and natural and nourishing skin care products. Continue the pampering with some French pastry from La Petite Cuisine or some baked specialties at G3 Bakery. To jump start your spring gardening, Alive Organic Matters will be selling all-natural fertilizer.

You will also find beef, pork, lamb, and poultry as well as goat milk, honey, maple syrup, and more! Enjoy our wonderful musicians while you shop. So come support your local businesses and have a good time while you're at it! For more information see our web site at [www.milfordnhfarmersmarket.com](http://www.milfordnhfarmersmarket.com) and "like" us on Facebook, but make sure it is the Milford **NH** page.

The summer markets will be starting in mid-June.

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## CHECK OUT TOWN EVENTS ON THE WEB!!!

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

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

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



# Spring Plans are being made for events at J. A. Tarbell Library

**March 24, 2015 – Tuesday, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.**

**Marcy Stanton - UNH Cooperative Extension Master Gardener Coordinator**, will lead a workshop, "Starting Your Vegetable and Flower Garden From Seeds", Tuesday, March 24, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Learn how fun it is to grow your own plants as we cover the basics of seed varieties, growing tips, germination, keeping seedlings healthy, common problems, transplanting and direct seeding. Registration is required so we know how many to expect and to contact in case of a weather postponement. Sign the registration sheet at the library circulation desk, call 654-6790, or e-mail [jatlprograms@gmail.com](mailto:jatlprograms@gmail.com).

Marcy Stanton is the first of our Lyndeborough residents be part of our "Local Knowledge" talks. If you are willing to spend an hour or so to share your knowledge, craft, or talent with your neighbors, call the library or e-mail Regina at [jatlprograms@gmail.com](mailto:jatlprograms@gmail.com)

**Regarding Friends of the J.A Tarbell Library:** We have several dedicated volunteers at the library. However, since the library renovations were completed, Friends, as a group, has become less active. *If you are interested in volunteering in an active Friends of JATL, please call or e-mail [jatlprograms@gmail.com](mailto:jatlprograms@gmail.com) in March. We will schedule a convenient meeting time in April and decide what would best serve our community.*

**Spring 2015 dates have not been set but the programs have been. Feel free to suggest a time and day.**

Fish and Wildlife Stewards Program "Understanding Bobcats in New Hampshire." Date to be determined

**ON GOING**

**Knitting and Crafts** - Friday at 1 p.m. – 3 p.m. in the JAT Community Room.

**Talespinners** – group of women writers more interested in improving our techniques in all types of writing than in publishing. It meets 10 a.m. on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month in the JAT Community Room. New members are welcome.

**Wilton--Lyndeborough Significant Trees Group** - identifies and records all memorial trees or otherwise significant trees, meet the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 10 a.m. New members are welcome.





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## Conservation Commission . . . . . (Continued from page 8)

tions of trail have been badly eroded by off-road wheeled vehicles. Some of the money PLC needs to raise for the project is to fund trail repair and stabilization work, and to control future wheeled vehicle access.



These stewardship costs, plus the purchase price of the land and transaction expenses (appraisal, survey, etc.), require PLC to raise about \$170,000 by this fall so that they can close the purchase by the end of 2015. PLC has already secured generous early support from the McIninch Foundation, the Samuel P. Hunt Foundation, and the Quabbin-to-Cardigan Partnership. The Lyndeborough Conservation Commission has also voted to contribute \$20,000 from the town's conservation fund to the Rose Mountain project. PLC will be applying to the state's Land

and Community Heritage Investment Program (LCHIP) and additional private foundations over the next few months. But even if all these funding sources come through, they will need the help of people throughout the area to get over the finish line. The Rose Mountain project has been a long time coming, but we are finally at the starting gate. Ready, set...go!

Tax deductible contributions to the Rose Mountain project can be made to the Piscataquog Land Conservancy, and make sure to include "Rose Mountain" in the memo line. PLC's address is 5A Mill Street, New Boston, NH 03070. Contributions to the project can also be made online at [www.plcnh.org](http://www.plcnh.org). If you have questions about the Rose Mountain project or how to donate, contact Chris Wells at [cwells@plcnh.org](mailto:cwells@plcnh.org) or call 487-3331.

Look for updates on Rose Mountain in future issues of the Lyndeborough Views, and on PLC's website and Facebook page. PLC will also be leading several public walks on the property this summer and fall.



# HAM & BEAN SUPPER TO BENEFIT LARRY & SHARON BOISVERT

Please plan to join us to help Sharon & Larry Boisvert who recently lost their home to fire.

**Date:** Saturday, March 14th    **Location:** Citizens' Hall, Lyndeborough

**Time:** 5:30 PM—7:30 PM    **Price of Dinner:** By Donation

We will be raffling items donated by local people/businesses. Items can be seen at town voting and Town Meeting where you can purchase tickets for \$1 ea or 6 for \$5

If you are interested in donating to the raffle, helping with this event, or cooking, please contact Karen Holland, 654-2480/[kjh1@tds.net](mailto:kjh1@tds.net), Karen Grybko, 654-5362/[kgrybko@live.com](mailto:kgrybko@live.com), or Ellen Pomer, 654-5420/[ellenpomer@mac.com](mailto:ellenpomer@mac.com). Any help would be appreciated.

# Lafayette Artillery Gets Historic Guidon Flag Back..... Well, Almost!

By Pvt. Karen Holland, Lafayette Artillery

While doing some searches on eBay in 2006, Capt. Walter Holland, Lafayette Artillery, came across a rare and unusual artifact that was coming up for auction. It was a live, one-night auction of Civil War Era collectibles in Memphis, Tennessee, with internet bids via eBay.

Dating from about 1840, and measuring 25" X 26", it was an original Lafayette Artillery, New Hampshire Volunteer guidon flag. A guidon flag follows the Company Commander when in the field and locates the headquarters when in camp.

It was beautiful even though faded, made from beige silk with painted details, and edged with gold fringe. The flag was mounted under plexiglass with only minor wrinkling, a few small holes, and minor tears. The image was of crossed cannons on a field of 13 stars with rays of light: Crossed cannons to signify the artillery and the 13 stars to represent the colonies. The banner at the top read "Lafayette Artillery" and the banner below read "Lyndeborough, NH." There was a brass plaque inscribed on the bottom of the frame with the words, "Civil War Union Flag Carried by N.H. Regiment".



ABOVE: This is a picture of the original Lafayette Artillery Guidon Flag that was auctioned.

Where did the flag come from? How did it end up at the auction house in Tennessee? How could the Artillery get the flag that belonged to them, back to Lyndeborough? Capt. Holland called the auction house, introduced himself and after explaining why he was calling asked if they would divulge the seller's information so he could contact them. No, they could not provide this, they were sorry.

Members of the Artillery held a meeting and voted to bid on the flag, via telephone, during the live auction. They made several bids, but in the end it was not meant to be. The flag sold for over \$15,000 with the Artillery being the under bidder. After the auction, Capt. Holland contacted the auction house again and asked if they would provide the name of the new buyer, but they would not. He even asked the auction house if they would forward his information and interest in recovering the flag to the buyer, which they did, but he was never contacted.

Flash forward to December 2014. Lowell Thomas, who lives in town, contacted Capt. Holland to tell him that his brother, Scott Thomas, of Spring Grove, Pennsylvania, had a replica of the guidon flag for the Artillery. Some of you may recognize Scott Thomas, who is a Civil War reenactor and portrays Major General James P. McPherson. He has attended both Community Day and Memorial Day in Lyndeborough in character. Scott loves small towns and really enjoyed himself at both functions. He wanted to donate the flag to the Artillery as a "thank you" for inviting him to participate.



Lafayette Artillery 2010 Community Day  
Back Row L to R: PVT Leo Trudeau (Portraying an 1804 civilian Army scout), 1<sup>st</sup> Sergeant Tony Buscemi, Capt. Walter Holland, PVT Rich Armstrong. Front Row L to R: Duncan Holden, PVT. RJ Humphreys, Maj. Gen. James McPherson (Portrayed by Scott Thomas), and PVT Tori White of the 20<sup>th</sup> MA Infantry.  
Photo by Kathleen Humphreys

Although Scott makes flags himself, his are full size replicas and so he contacted an acquaintance of his, Walt Gaylor, who makes "memento" flags. These flags are smaller than the original flag, and are typically displayed on the wall. He uses tea stains, tears, and holes to make his flags look more authentic.

When Scott is not portraying Maj. Gen. McPherson he is a Systems Engineer for BAE Systems in Pennsylvania. He is currently working on development of the Paladin, a self-propelled Howitzer, which fires a 100-pound projectile 16 miles with accuracy. As a comparison, the Lafayette Artillery's 1844 smooth-bore gun fires a six-pound cannon ball about 1 mile, more or less. Scott says this allows him to keep one foot in the past and one foot in the future!

This beautiful guidon memento flag will be presented to the town during Town Meeting on Saturday, March 14, after the lunch break. We are hoping that Scott will be able to attend in person to thank him but it's not known at this time. Please plan on joining us to commemorate this thoughtful gift to the town.

## 44BIKES... *Continued from page 6*

ents, calling everyone he ever knew to see if they needed help. For ten years he worked with a wide variety of clients, both large and small, helping with their product design, graphic design, branding, packaging, and everything in between. Lyndeborough has put his talent to use, having him design our 275<sup>th</sup> anniversary logo and all the posters for our annual Community Day.

When he started his design business, he always knew he wanted to eventually build bike frames. He wanted to do it all on his own and found his design business was able to adequately finance his bike business. It was during the time he owned his design business that he met his wife, Lynn. They, along with Lynn's identical twin, Lee, and her husband, would spend weekends in New Hampshire biking, rock climbing, and enjoying all this great state has to offer. When Lee moved up here to accept a teaching job, it wasn't long after that Kris and Lynn followed. Their home on Old Temple Road became available right around the time they wanted to move and met all the criteria they were looking for, including a barn that could be restored into a workshop. He also wanted nearby trails on which he could test his bikes. Scenic Lyndeborough was perfect.

He continued with his graphic design business here in Lyndeborough, but started pursuing his real dream of designing bike frames and forks more aggressively. Those in the bike-building community are a close-knit group who talk frequently. He contacted Ted Wojik, another custom frame builder in New Hampshire, when he needed a frame repaired. Ted was looking for an apprentice. They made a deal where Kris would take care of all Ted's graphic needs in exchange for allowing Kris to spend every Friday looking over Ted's shoulders. For 2 ½ years he spent Fridays with Ted, learning invaluable secrets, tricks, tips, and methodology.

In late 2010 Ted told Kris he had taught him all he could and that it was time for him to be on his own. This was the push he needed. He spent the better part of his free time in the spring, summer, and fall of 2011 remodeling the horse barn on his property. His Lyndeborough friends rallied and helped in any way they could. Phil Brooks helped and donated some insulation.

Everything must have meaning for Kris and that goes for the name of his company, 44Bikes. He has strong family roots. His father played football in high school and wore the number 44. Wanting to emulate his Dad, he, too, played football in high school and wore the number 44. This number has had meaning throughout his life, and he always knew the name of his company would include the number 44.

He looks back on his life with gratitude. "A dream realized is something to behold," he states, and realizes the time, work, patience, focus, dedication, hard work, and unwavering discipline that went into this achievement. If you are looking for a specialized bike, look no further than Kris. Being an easy person to talk to, and with his demand for excellence and love of his craft you can only be delighted by what he produces. He still loves the freedom of getting lost on a bike ride and letting his mind roam free which in turn generates more creativity. You may just see him riding around Lyndeborough on his red mountain bike or fat bike, a bike with extra wide tires for snow, which he does often. Say hello! He is an interesting guy to talk with.

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### **Save The Dates**

**9th Annual Lyndeborough Community Day**

**Saturday, August 15th**

**9 am—7 pm**

**Open Studio & Farm Tour**

**Sunday, August 16th**

**10 am—3 pm**

More information coming in the June Views Issue

If you are interested in participating or helping please contact Karen Holland, [kjhl@tds.net](mailto:kjh1@tds.net)

# Kitchen Views.....

From Adrienne Colsia

## Lemon Yogurt Pound Cake

1½ cups flour	2 tsp. grated lemon zest (2 lemons)
2 tsp. baking powder	½ tsp. vanilla extract
½ tsp. coarse salt	½ cup vegetable oil
1 cup plain whole-milk yogurt	1/3 cup freshly squeezed lemon juice
1-1/3 cups sugar, divided	
3 extra-lg. eggs	



Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Grease and 8-1/2X4-1/4X2-1/2 inch loaf pan. Line the bottom with parchment paper. Grease and flour pan.

Sift together flour, baking powder, and salt in a bowl. In another bowl, whisk together yogurt, 1 cup sugar, eggs, lemon zest, and vanilla. Slowly whisk dry ingredients into wet ingredients. Use a rubber spatula to fold the vegetable oil into the batter. (This seems wrong, and it takes a minute or so to do, but it works to make a really moist cake, so don't change the order of ingredients). Pour the batter into the prepared pan and bake for 50 minutes, or until a toothpick comes out clean. Allow cake to cool in pan for 10 minutes.

Meanwhile, cook the 1/3 cup lemon juice and remaining 1/3 cup sugar until sugar dissolves and mixture is clear. Set aside. Remove cake and place on cooling rack with parchment underneath to catch drips. While the cake is still warm, pour the cooked lemon juice-sugar mixture over the cake and allow it to soak in. Let cool.

### Glaze

1 cup confectioners' sugar	2 Tbsp. freshly squeezed lemon juice
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Make glaze by combining confectioners' sugar and lemon juice and pour over cooled cake.

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A View of Rose Mountain from Rand Brook Forest. Please see the article on page 8 on how you can help to preserve Rose Mountain. Photo by Tom Jones

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