Leyden Life

Leyden, Massachusetts

March 2012

Selectboard Office Hours:

Monday 12:00 - 5:00 PM, Tuesday—Friday 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM and Thursdays (March 1st, 15th and 29th) 6:00 - 8:00 PM

Tax Collector:

Monday and Wednesday 5:30 - 8:00 PM

Assessors Office:

Wednesday 2:00 - 8:00 PM

Select Board

SELECTBOARD MEETINGS

The Select Board will meet on <u>Thursday</u>, <u>March 1st and 15th</u> at 9:00 AM and <u>Thursday</u>, <u>March 29th</u> at 6:45 PM in their office. To be added to the agenda or to get a copy of it, please contact Bob Hardesty at 774-4111 or leydenselectboard@crocker.com.

TOWN HALL MONTHLY MEETINGS

The following meetings are scheduled this month:

Thur,	Mar 1	9:00 AM	Selectboard
Tue,	Mar 6	7:00 PM	Agricultural Commission
Wed,	Mar 7	6:30 PM	Board of Assessors
Tue,	Mar 13	5:30 PM	Board of Health (at the Police Station)
Wed,	Mar 14	7:00 PM	Planning Board
Thur,	Mar 15	9:00 AM	Selectboard
Mon,	Mar 19	7:30 PM	Conservation Commission
Wed,	Mar 21	6:30 PM	Board of Assessors
Thur,	Mar 29	6:45 PM	Selectboard

(Any changes to these meeting dates or times will be posted separately.) Meetings *not* held monthly will also be posted separately.)

—Board of Selectmen

Leyden Town Website

The Town website is now up and running. Please visit us at townofleyden.com.

The Selectboard would like to thank Cindy Bussey and the IT students at Franklin County Technical School for all their time and hard work in designing the site. It's a great site, and the students' efforts are greatly appreciated.

We would also like to thank Jim Nielsen for actually getting it "up and running." Jim is volunteering his time and expertise to tweak, revise, and edit ongoing additions and postings.

The website will be slowly evolving over the next few months. If residents have any suggestions, or any particular information they would like to see posted on the site, please let us know. Call me at 774-411 with your suggestions.

—Bob Hardesty

Wells Trust Scholarships

The Fred W. Wells Trust is an organization that provides scholarships to students graduating from high school and to those enrolled in college or an advanced educational program. Recipients are selected based on scholarship, need, extracurricular activities and recommendations. Applications may be obtained from high school counselors, or from Bob Hardesty at Leyden Town Hall during normal business hours. Applications mst be postmarked by April 1, 2012 to be eligible for the 2012-2013 academic year.

—Lois Feldman

Town Clerk

VITAL STATISTICS

There were no births, marriages, or deaths reported.

TOWN CAUCUS

The Town Caucus to nominate candidates for the Annual Town Election will be held on <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>April 4th</u> at 7:00 PM at Town Hall. Offices up for nomination are:

Moderator (1-yr), Kathy DiMatteo, Incumbent; Selectman (3-yr), Lance Fritz, Inc; Selectman (1-yr), vacant; Town Clerk (3-yr), Robert Hardesty, Inc; Treasurer (3-yr), Robert Taylor, Inc; Tax Collector (3-yr), Roxanne Zimmerman, Inc; Assessor (3-yr), Kenneth Spatcher, Inc; Library Trustee (3-yr), Trueman Robbins, Inc; Planning Board (5-yr), Peter Tusinski, Inc; Board of Health (3-yr), Gloria Fisher, Inc.; Constable (3-yr), Wallace Herzig, Inc; and Tree Warden (1-yr), Edmund Klaus, Inc.

To accept nominations, nomination papers must be signed by the nominee within 72 hours after the caucus.

—Bob Hardesty, Town Clerk

Town Clerk Office Hours are Mondays 8:00 AM – 12:00 NOON and every other Wednesday (Mar. 7th and 21st) 4:30 – 6:00 PM Phone 774-7769

Presidential Primary

The Presidential Primary will be held on <u>Tuesday, March 6th</u>. Polls will be open from 7:00 AM to 8:00 PM.



Sittings at 5:00 and 6:30 PM Featuring Rita's Famous Shepherd's Pie made with grass-fed ground beef from Castle Hill Farm and/or ground

lamb from Leyden Glen Farm, fresh green salad, and Leyden maple syrup drizzled over new-fallen snow Adults \$10-Children 6 and under \$5 Call 774-2820 for reservations

Silent Auction — Historical Displays
Sponsored by the



Sponsored by the Agricultural Commission and prepared by the Leyden Methodist Church

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Robertson Memorial Library

Library Hours: Monday 1:00 - 6:00 PM; Wednesday 1:00 - 6:00 PM, Saturday 10:00 AM - 12:00 NOON, Phone 773-9334 (Leave a message any time.)



TODDLERS' STORY HOUR As a result of a grant from the Leyden Cultural Council, Cindy LeBlanc has begun a series of Toddlers' Story Hours held right here at the library. During each ssachusetts Cultural Council hour-long session, Cindy reads selected books on the week's theme

and involves participants in reading, singing, and playing via arts and crafts projects. At their first session on January 28th, Cindy focused on the theme of people in winter. Her second session focused on animals in nature during the winter. Please pass the word. Toddlers and a parent or caregiver are welcome to attend, Leyden resident or not. All programs are scheduled for Friday mornings at 10:00 AM.

IT TAKES A TRUSTEE! Yup, it took frustration and a sudden burst of energy from Trustee Chair Carolyn Asbury to organize the DVDs that line the northern wall of the library into alphabetical order. She and Rich DiMatteo searched in vain for "Flirting with Disaster," and this was her catalyst to take action. (It's still missing and not signed out! If you have it, please return it ASAP!) Not one to sit back and let others do the work, Carolyn dived in and conquered the chaos. Now patrons can search more logically for a title they want. Thank you, Carolyn!

ARE YOU BORED THIS WINTER? A group of volunteers has developed a web site for State Stats (Statestats.org), a non-profit organization that focuses on building free community service and education-related web tools. They recently completed a tool for students/learners to search for open courseware classes provided by MIT, Notre Dame, UC Irvine, Johns Hopkins, and more. Open courseware was started about ten years ago by MIT, and it is a free and open digital publication of high quality university level educational materials. Many of the courses have video lectures, online materials, and even some exams. All classes are online, free and open The volunteers built a search functionality to find classes across multiple universities. Currently, a user can search the database of over 3,000 classes on a variety of subjects. The course search is really an outstanding search tool with some amazing classes. Go to http://www.statestats.org/free-online-courses-widgetma.php.

DONATIONS WELCOME! We extend sincere thanks to Carol Lutz, Jerry Levine and Julie McCarthy for their generous donations to the library. Why not join this thoughtful group with a donation of your own? Your gift will be tax deductible and greatly appreciated.

Special Note: If you are not able to get to the library and would like some books, CDs or DVDs delivered to your home, please call me at the library. Several people have offered to help me with this, so do take advantage if you are interested. The library phone number is 773-9334.

WE HAVE MAGAZINES! Consumer Reports, The Nation, Nutrition Action, Shopsmart, Smithsonian, Reader's Digest, and Booklist.

And finally, we have some 1040EZ instruction booklets and two regular 1040 instruction booklets available at the library.

Happy March! —Chris Johnston

Pearl Rhodes Elementary School

PTO News: The PTO thanks all of you for supporting our fall fundraisers. Thanks to your support and participation, we raised \$900! We'd like to say a special thank you to the dedicated volunteers who ran these fundraisers, Amanda DeAngelis, Kristin Potter & Ellen Dandeneau. We truly appreciate their time and effort.

So far this year the PTO has helped our school in the following ways: piano tuning for the new piano, the P.R.E.S. School Directory, Open House & Winter Concert supplies and drinks, Trolley Museum admission for grade 1/2 and gingerbread house supplies.

Still ahead for this year is a visit in April from the Hitchcock Center for the Environment. Students will participate in the Schoolyard Habitat program where they will explore science and nature right out our school doors! (Continued on Page 5)

Leyden Life Lowdown

EASY SUBMISSION

Submit an e-mail to Cornelia Reid at cr43wr41@gmail.com, Carolyn Asbury at carolyn.asbury@gmail.com, and Bob Taylor at bobxtwo@verizon.net.

Either attach a Word document or include the information in the body of the e-mail. If email is not possible for you, hard copies of items for Leyden Life can be left in the book drop outside the Library. The deadline for inputs is the **15**th of the month.

LEYDEN LIFE BY E-MAIL

If you are interested in receiving Leyden Life in PDF format via e-mail, please notify Bob Taylor at bobxtwo@verizon.net.

THANKS

Thanks to re-subscribers and donors Agnes Huber, Dottie Howes, Judith Carter, the Cayers, Marie Giurdanella, Frances Moretti, Carolyn Doerpholz, Kathleen Anderson, Caryl Dyer, and the Feldmans

If you have not yet renewed your mail subscription, please do so immediately in order to receive the next issue!

Thanks to collators Sue and Cliff Carlson, Lois Feldman, Jeanne Breeden, Carolyn Asbury, and Cornelia Reid, and thanks to deliverers Lauren Clary, Marie Bartlett, Marie Lovley, Jeanne Breeden and the Cafferys. (If we have forgotten anyone, please accept our thanks and apologies.)



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Leyden Life

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Thursday, March 15th If you cannot e-mail your submission, please leave it in the book drop outside the Library.

Donations are always welcome! Send to: Leyden Life c/o Reid 30 West Leyden Road Leyden, MA 01337

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Meetings and Gatherings

Council on Aging

Our February meeting was really fun. Former Leyden resident, Davis Bates, shared his wonderful stories and songs. Thank you, Davis! We also had a special visitor and helper last month—Merry Lein helped prepare, set up, and clean up after the meal. She also treated us with delicious cheesecake. Thank you, Merry! (Helpers are always welcome; just give me a call.)

We meet next on <u>Thursday, March 8th</u> at 10:30 AM in the church Fellowship Hall for a celebration of Leyden. We will play Leyden Bingo (bingo with a Leyden flair). If you have a Leyden-made or Leyden-grown item that would make a nice bingo prize, please call Laura at 773-8325. Thanks! After bingo, we will enjoy lunch together.

All are welcome to join us for bingo, for the day, or at future monthly meetings. If you want to join us for lunch, please let Edith Fisher know at 773-7336 before Monday, March 6th so we can plan the meal accordingly.

The Leyden Council on Aging is dedicated to providing programs that support healthy and independent living for local seniors and is funded and supported by the Massachusetts Executive Office of Elder Affairs. Their funding allows the COA to offer delicious meals and interesting programs and to help support the newsletter and more.

—Laura Timmerman, 773-8325

Knitting Circle

The Leyden knitting circle will meet two times in March, <u>Friday</u>, <u>March 9th</u> at Barbara's house and <u>Friday</u>, <u>March 23rd</u> at Laura's house.

We meet from 6:30 to 8:30 PM and enjoy a relaxed evening of handiwork and the company of our fellow stitchers. All are welcome to join us; no experience is needed and all kinds of handicrafts are fine. Visitors and all ages are welcome. Call ahead to RSVP and confirm the location. If you would like to be on an email group for the Knitting Circle, get in touch with Laura.

Facebook Group: Leyden Knitting Circle at http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=115188595195087 —Laura Timmerman - 773-8325, Barbara Wallace - 774-7780

Visit the new Town Website at www.townofleyden.com

Leyden Portrait Project

The lay-out of the book is progressing and I hope to hold a book release party at the library in the latter part of April. I'll post details in April's newsletter. Thanks to all who have participated over the past year and to my last minute volunteers. One reason the project isn't done is that it's hard to stop!

Please don't forget to send me the answers to my three questions: 1.) How did you come to live in Leyden? 2.) What do you love about the town? and 3.) Is there anything you'd like to see in Leyden that's not here now?

Please include as well some very brief info about what you do for work and any service you have done for the town. Send the answers via email to: tcrapo@mac.com. If you have questions, feel free to call me at 774-2021.

—Trish Crapo



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Artists of Leyden

Deborah Garner's feature show *Glimpsing Apeiron*" opens at Gallery in the Woods during Gallery Walk on **Friday, March 2nd, 5:30-8:30**, with live music provided by the "Moondogs" (formerly the Moondog Trio). The show continues through April 30th. Come one and all for a good time on Main St. in Brattleboro! The gallery is located at 145 Main St. Brattleboro, VT and gallery hours are 11:00 to 5:30 daily, Sundays noon to 5:00.

Trish Crapo is honored to have been invited to participate in The War and Peace Project, a collaborative collage project initiated by Lola Baltzell (of East Hill and Brookline, MA). The project consists of 748 collages—a collage for each page of War and Peace. A portion of the collages are on view now through March 13th at The New School for Liberal Arts, 65 West 11th St, in New York City. Another selection will be shown at The Moscow Book Fair in June, after which the entire project will be exhibited in Tula, Russia at the invitation of Leo Tolstoy's great- greatgrandson and director of the Tolstoy Museum and Estate, Vladimir Tolstoy. For additional information, and to view the collages, please visit http:// warpeaceproject.blogspot.com/, or on Facebook search for War and Peace Project.

Trish Crapo's photography has received one of ten awards won by The Recorder in the annual New England Newspaper & Press Association's Better Newspaper Contest. Her image of a clarinetist that ran in the Life & Times section of the paper took third place in the "Personality Photo" category. More than 3,000 entries from over 250 newspapers were received in the contest. The Recorder competes in a category designed for daily newspapers of less than 30,000 circulation. Congratulations Trish!

For more information about Leyden artists and their events, please visit the Calendar pages at www.artistsofleyden.org, and on Facebook, search for Artists of Leyden.



Mandala II Drawing Workshop

On <u>Saturday, March</u> 10th from 1:00 to 3:30 PM, come create a Mandala drawing, using concepts of insight, healing or self-expression.

Refreshments, supplies and samples of concepts are given. Mandala I drawings were displayed at Robertson Memorial Library.

Call Linda Romano at 624-3334 to RSVP.



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Franklin County Solid Waste District Programs and Services

Leyden is a member town of the Franklin County Solid Waste Management District. There are many programs and services that the Solid Waste District offers to Leyden residents. A few of those services are described below; however, for a complete list of programs, services, and information visit the District's website at www.franklincountywastedistrict.org.

The Solid Waste District serves twenty-two towns in Franklin County. Greenfield is not a member town of the District but there is extensive collaboration between the town and the Solid Waste District. The District is able to provide Leyden residents with information regarding services available to them through the Town of Greenfield.

Leyden residents actually have two options for properly disposing of their household hazardous waste and their bulky waste (anything that won't fit into a trash bag). The Town of Greenfield allows Leyden residents to use their hazardous waste program at the Greenfield transfer station and at the wastewater treatment plant. The transfer station can only accept used oil, antifreeze, paint, and fluorescent lights. The wastewater treatment plant accepts pesticides, cleaners, and other toxic products. Leyden residents can bring their bulky items to the Greenfield transfer station. There is a fee for many items. For a complete list of acceptable items and fees visit www.townofgreenfield.org/Pages/GreenfieldMA_DPW/fees.pdf or call 772-1528 ext. 106.

The Solid Waste District also manages a program for household hazardous waste and bulky items. Bernardston and Colrain both host a regional collection program for common hazardous products including used motor oil, antifreeze, oil-based paint, fluorescent lamps, and mercury-containing products such as thermometers and thermostats. There are fees associated with most materials. Leyden residents can participate at either site (or at the Conway site, too). For specific information visit www.franklincountywastedistrict.org/supersites.html or call 772-2438.

The District coordinates two regional bulky waste collections each year. The collections are open to any District resident. The collection sites are the Buckland Recreational Center, the Northfield Highway Garage, and the Whately Transfer Station. For some bulky waste items, such as construction/demolition debris, wooden furniture, and tires the District's fees are less than those charged at the Greenfield transfer station. For information about the District's Clean Sweep collections visit www.franklincountywastedistrict.org/cleansweep.html or call 772-2438.

Leyden residents can purchase recycling bins and compost bins at the Solid Waste District office at 50 Miles Street in Greenfield (at the Energy Park). The District also manages a free sharps disposal program for residents. Call the office at 772-2438 for more information.

WiredWest

For those of us hungry to have Leyden and the other 46 hill towns move into the 21st century technologically, the pace seems infuriatingly slow. Considering, however, the details that have had to be attended to, things are moving quite fast. There have had to be inspections of nearly 35,000 utility poles, reports and estimates given, then contracts signed with each of the pole owners to upgrade them—and this with a tornado, a tropical storm, and an early nor'easter, as well as a very snowy winter of 2011 delaying things again and again. Providers, contractors, builders, and towns have been part of the process. The legal groundwork and mapping have been huge projects as well. There was a meeting at GCC in November to discuss the progress that Mass. Broadband has made (they are doing the middle mile part of this project, Wired West will do the last mile), and it is quite amazing. Within the next few months, they will be bringing fiber optic cable to most of our town halls, schools, libraries, and police and fire departments, which also means that there will be a backbone of fiber optic cable to our towns from which Wired West will work. Even if you think you have no interest in this, please know that real estate values will be enhanced, and we will have access to the best phone service and to cable TV as well as high speed internet, and at competitive prices.

—Sheila Hourihan

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Leyden United Methodist Church

The Church is entering into the season of Lent. It is a season of penitential preparation for Holy Week, the pinnacle of our Christian faith tradition. The word penitential means that we are to reconcile ourselves with God. The ways in which to do this are numerous; the most typical are through prayer, fasting, and self-denial. Our Catholic brothers and sisters give up meat on Fridays during Lent (many do it throughout the year). In my family we used to not eat meat on Good Friday to remember the sacrifice of Jesus Christ. It was a small remembrance, but a remembrance nonetheless. I still love a good tuna casserole, which was the typical meal on Good Friday. If you are part of the Christian faith, I encourage you to find something to do this Lenten season that draws you into a better relationship with God. It could be a more intentional prayer time. It could be self-denial of something like meat or chocolate, but remember why you are sacrificing that thing out of your life. It could be simply joining us on Thursday nights at 7:00 for a Bible Study that dives deeper into the death and resurrection of Jesus called "The Final Words from the Cross," by Adam Hamilton. As we move closer to Holy Week, Leyden UMC will be engaging in the traditional aspects of that week, including the amazing sunrise service. I am always in awe of God as the sun rises over the mountaintops as we are celebrating the —Grace and Peace, Pastor Ken Mantler

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$PRES\ News\ ({\tt Continued\ from\ Page\ 2})$

Help is needed with spring fundraisers. At our last meeting we discussed PRES logo tee shirts, hats, etc., Mother's Day flowers, fudge & coffee as possibilities. If you would like to be more involved and run one of these fundraisers please contact Carolyn Curtis at carolyn.curtis@gmail.com.

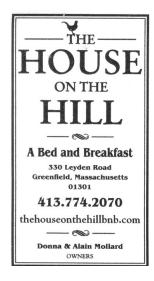
It's not too late to register your **Stop & Shop** card and earn cash for our school until March 29th. Sign up at stopandshop.com/aplus today! The PRES ID is #05063. Don't forget to encourage friends and family to do the same!

If you would like to share your energy and ideas please consider coming to the next PTO Meeting on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>March 20th</u> at 6:00 PM at the school.

Preschool and Kindergarten News

Around the classroom we have set up a Post Office in the dramatic play center. The children have enjoyed delivering the mail, making letters and mail for their friends and families, and adding the stamps on the envelopes. If you find yourself heading into the post office take your youngster along so they can really experience the post office first hand. We continue our work in our "Handwriting Without Tears" books and many of our students are putting their knowledge into practice in their journals and in their written creations. We've recently been reading a variety of books about "Mrs. Wishy-Washy." These stories are written by Joy Cowley and are a classroom favorite. Our preschool class has worked together as a group to retell the story using some character cutouts.

A big thanks to the families that have contributed food for the Franklin Survival Center and for the donations of spare change for the Pennies for Patients Program. There is still time if you have not yet sent these items in. Our school and the surrounding community benefit from your generosity.



WiredWest Connecting Western Mass to the World

2012 has been busy for WiredWest, as we continue to work to bring 21st century broadband to the doorsteps of our community residents and businesses.

In January, four new towns officially joined the WiredWest Cooperative, bringing the member towns to 28. Fifteen additional towns are in the voting process, which requires two separate town votes. We expect to have approximately 40 member towns by the end of 2012 town meeting season.

Four new members were voted to the WiredWest Advisory Council. The Council will provide expertise and advice to the project, and serve as advocates for WiredWest. Its members were chosen for their long-term commitment to WiredWest and expertise relevant to the project. New members include special effects pioneer and recent Oscar recipient Douglas Trumbull; Richard Allen, a retired attorney who specialized in large and complex project and lease financings; Ben Schwartz, a longtime advisor to WiredWest, and member of the Massachusetts Technology Collaborative Board of Directors; and Ryan Shea, a Marketing Director at AOL.

WiredWest applied for two grants in January. The first was a Community Innovation Challenge Grant, a new grant program administered by the Commonwealth Executive Office for Administration and Finance, designed to provide incentives and financial support for costs related to improving local government efficiency, expenditures and quality of services. Providing widescale, affordable access to high-speed internet via the WiredWest network will connect governments with their constituents, thereby enabling the realization of efficiencies and improvements in service delivery. WiredWest received strong support for the grant from

member towns, our state legislative delegation, the Massachusetts Broadband Institute, and local government, education, healthcare and emergency service entities. The amount requested for the grant was \$499,000, to cover the financing costs of the municipal bond offering to capitalize the WiredWest network, with a small portion for grant administration and reporting. Awards are expected to be announced in February.

The second grant application, which WiredWest applied for through the town of Peru, was for a District Local Technical Assistance grant from Berkshire Regional Planning Commission (BRPC) to assist with grant administration, legal and procurement support. This grant application was successful, and WiredWest will be working with BRPC to implement the grant tasks.

WiredWest also received a grant in December from the Central Berkshire Fund to assist with mapping of towns, for engineering design purposes. Mapping is close to completion for 40 WiredWest towns, and a draft engineering plan for the network is being created.

The engineering plan will be reviewed and certified by an engineering firm, selected through a Request for Information (RFI) process. WiredWest posted the RFI for engineering services in January, and responses are due in early March. Final selection will be made by March 24th. The engineering plan will also provide cost estimates vital to the WiredWest business plan. Ongoing work is focused on finalizing the business plan and its underlying assumptions by May 1st.

WiredWest has also launched a new logo and website. We encourage you to refer to the website, www.wiredwest.net, as well as the Facebook page for information on the project

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Unclassified Ads

Unclassified Ads Policy Statement

We welcome unclassified ads from Town residents, and will run them free of charge (though a small donation of \$1 or so is always appreciated). We will normally run an ad for one issue only, unless requested to extend it.

Free Printer and Scanner: HP Deskjet 895Cse printer and HP Scanjet G4010 scanner, both in good working order. If you want them, or if you know someone or some organization that might want them, please call Bob at 624-8965. Otherwise, they're destined for the land fill (oh, no!).

The Log Cabin Bed & Breakfast can provide comfortable space for your out-of-town visitors. Please check the website at www.Leyden LogCabin.com or call 773-8595 to check availability or to make a reservation. Please be sure to ask for the Leyden discount of \$50 off the nightly rate for Leyden residents and their guests!

Beaded Jewelry for Sale: Carol Kuzdeba dba CJ Design has beaded jewelry for sale at Himalayan Views gift shop in the Tibetan Plaza, 265 Greenfield Road, South Deerfield. Unique one-of-a-kind designs of natural stone, pearls, furnace glass, etc. Stop by to see it. Special orders upon request.

Maple Run Farm has farm-fresh brown eggs for \$2.50/carton. The girl's are Hubbard Golden Comets. The Hubbard Golden Comet has been widely acclaimed in all areas of the world where brown eggs are preferred. The reason is simple: The Golden Comet pullet is easily one of the finest brown egg layers available today. They mature early and lay eggs of excellent size and quality. She is an extremely quiet bird, that seems to be able to withstand the colder, non-insulated, laying houses of the small flock owner, better than most breeds. Try our eggs. Call Barbara at 774-7780.

Ed's Sugar Shack has fresh local maple syrup for sale. Available in gallons, half gallons, quarts and pints. Call 773-7619, Ed and Carol Johnson, 72 South County Road, Leyden. Member of MassMaple Producers Association.

For Sale: Beautiful handmade stoneware functional pottery for sale. Mostly blues, greens, and purples. Microwave, oven, and dishwasher safe. Commissions accepted. Come check it out. Also would like to barter for housework. Call Rhonda at 624-5175.

LPs and Cassette Tapes to CDs: Will convert your favorite (or even your not-so-favorite) LPs and/or tapes to CDs. \$7.50 per CD. Call Jerry at 624-5546, or e-mail at jlevine4@verizon.net.

Natural Romney yarn for sale for knitting or spinning. Processed at Green Mountain Spinnery in Putney, VT, and chemical free. Barbara Wallace at 774-7780.

Excavating and Carpentry: Site work, driveways, land clearing, field mowing, septic systems, drainage, trucking loam and gravel products, backhoe, dozer or excavation work. Rich Allis at 624-5582.

Bill Maguire Painting serving Leyden's interior and exterior needs for 28 years. Staining, power washing, trim work, deck refinishing, paper hanging. Insured. Call Bill at 774-5330.



Timmerman Farm CSA

2012 FARM SHARES: Farm memberships are on sale and people have already started reserving their share of locally grown, organic vegetables, fruits, and flowers. Shares come in three sizes to suit a variety of needs and are the same price as 2011. Pick up is at the farm on Thursdays.

Full Shares - 20 - 24 weeks - \$600.00 - \$675.00, sliding scale; Half Shares - 20 - 24 weeks - \$300.00 - \$350.00, sliding scale; Mini Shares - 16 weeks - \$100.00

EGGS: I sell organically grown eggs for \$4.00/dozen. Call or email me for availability or to be placed on the Egg and Extras Email List. I also have fresh-picked microgreens. Supplies vary from week to week but the hens have decided that spring is here and it is time to lay more eggs.

I invite you to become part of my exciting and joyful adventures.

Laura Timmerman, 413-773-8325, laurat@crocker.com, http://lastingimpressionscsa.blogspot.com/

Linda Romano

Spring yoga begins on March 18th, 6:00 to 7:15 PM at Healing Sanctuary in Leyden with seasonal postures and tips.

Spring massage/bodywork sessions available for tune ups, detoxing and balancing. Half-hour and full-hour appointments are available. Happy spring!

Call Linda at 413-624-3334 or e-mail, lindalla239@hotmail.com. Web site: holisticserviceswithlindamromano.com.

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