

# The Circuit Rider



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November 2017

Lovell United Church of Christ

## Snowflake Fair

1174 Main St./Lovell, Maine

**Saturday, November 11, 2017**

**9:00-1:00**

Balsam wreaths, berry bowls, fir pillows,  
hand-knit hats and mittens, treasures table,  
gifts, books, Christmas loft, baked goods,  
Thanksgiving Basket raffle, Fall Painting raffle,  
American Girl doll clothes, Rada cutlery,  
cookie mixes, and lunch!



I can't believe that it is November. Yesterday we were having a New Year's Eve party. The days certainly fly by.

The October weather was so fine. It was easy not to keep at the "fore winta" to do list. However, down on the farm things are actually in pretty good shape. We have hay. The fences are almost repaired. The barns and coop are ready. Gotta remember to get some more heated water buckets. The animals are all growing winter coats. I so enjoy watching them. They know, their bodies respond to the change in weather. I love to bury my face in Josie's (our mule) lengthening fur. Of course, Les (our horse) pushes in as if to say, "What about me? I want a hug."

I like to talk about the farm. I find the farm very grounding. I so often find cleaning the barn as a time of prayer and meditation. This is my time to pray and to listen to God. Do you have a special place? Of course, prayer can happen anytime, at any place. That is the wonderful thing about God's presence. Even if we do not remember, God is with us. God loves us.

As we get into the busy-ness of Thanksgiving, Christmas and all of the holiday activities, I hope you will take the time to be thankful for all the small things that make our lives meaningful.

Peace to all,  
Pastor Lois

P.S. The Russians are coming. Mark your calendars for a wonderful evening of music. The St. Petersburg Men's Ensemble will perform at LUCC, December 14 at 7 P.M.



#### Treasures Wanted for Snow Flake Fair - Nov. 11th

Fall cleaning? Look for nice items that you no longer need or use and pass them on to the LUCC Ladies Circle for the Treasures table at the fair. Items can be dropped off at the church with my name (Lois Brown) on the package or box. If you cannot bring the items to the church, call me (928-6047) and I will pick them up. We all have too much "stuff" that someone else would love to purchase at the church fair. Please have the items at the church before November 5th.

Happy Hunting, Lois Brown

**CERT-** Community Emergency Response Team, is a nationwide organization from FEMA. They educate volunteers on disaster preparedness. The program is structured so that each individual State and their locales have the flexibility to create their programs to suit the needs of the communities.

There are 9 units to the CERT training program. Each class can last from 2-4 hours and the classes designed so they may be taught in a time frame that suits the Trainers and trainees.

If we have 6 interested people over the age of 18, they will bring the training to us. **Call the church office if you are interested in this training 925-1321.**



**Monday, Wednesday and Saturday  
from 10:00-12:00  
NO early birds, please!  
\$2/Bag Sale November 4-11**

**MISSION NEWS**

25 Shoeboxes were filled, blessed and delivered to the Maine Seacoast Mission. Many thanks to everyone who donated or helped assemble the boxes. A very special thank you to our friend, Margrit Newman!

We continue to collect non-perishable food for the local pantries in Brownfield and Sweden, single serve food for the Sunshine Backpack program, ink cartridges to recycle and used eyeglasses. Stop by the vestry anytime and place your donations in the appropriate box on the rolling carts. As always, thank you for your ongoing support.  
~LUCC Missions Committee

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|----------------------|-------------------|
| 1 Janice Thomson     | 23 Joshua Morse   |
| Kathy Dunham         | 26 Jan Newhouse   |
| 2 Steve Stearns      | Peter Koop        |
| 3 Russell Allen      | 30 Sawyer Nataluk |
| 10 Corbin Blake      |                   |
| 14 Bob Morse         |                   |
| Elsa Newhouse        |                   |
| Kyleigh Rose         |                   |
| 15 Steven Caracciolo |                   |
| Sue Hamlin           |                   |
| 16 Vivian Lowther    |                   |
| 19 Trevor Henschel   |                   |
| 20 Pat Thurston      |                   |
| 21 Cliff Rowe        |                   |



We are so pleased to be able to offer this gorgeous autumn scene oil painting by local artist, Sandy Bell (16"X20") as a raffle item to benefit the ongoing work of the church. Tickets will be on sale until November 22nd for **\$5.00 each**. Simply complete the attached entry form and return to the church office in person or via mail: **Lovell United Church of Christ/PO Box 232/Lovell, ME 04051**



**Lovell United Church of Christ Oil Painting Raffle 2017**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email address \_\_\_\_\_ # of tickets you wish to purchase \_\_\_\_\_



**ON-LINE AUCTION ITEMS ARE NEEDED!**

We are gearing up for another fabulous online auction at the Lovell United Church of Christ! It will begin on Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup> and end on Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup>. Just in time for Christmas giving!

We need auction items such as:

- Craft or art works
- Antiques or collectibles
- Gift certificates from local businesses
- Gift certificates from individuals such as:
  - A cruise on the lake with snacks
  - A catered dinner or party at someone's home
  - Some kind of homemade goods or services delivered once per month for a year
  - Hours of babysitting, housecleaning, plumbing, carpentry, lawn care, tutoring, etc.
  - Or ????

Please complete the pledge form and return it to the Lovell United Church of Christ **before Friday, November 10th**.  
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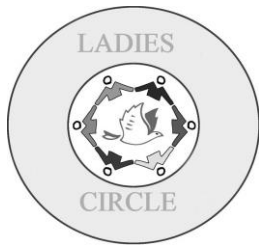
**WHEN THE AUCTION BEGINS GO TO:  
 WWW.LUCCAUTION.ORG  
 TO PLACE A BID!**

I/We pledge the following items to be auctioned off on-line:

Approximate value \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 This item can stay in my possession until auctioned  
 This item needs to be picked up and stored  
*If possible, please send a digital image of the item to joemattewdorner@gmail.com*

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone # \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email \_\_\_\_\_  
 Website (for business donations) \_\_\_\_\_





- Nov. 5 2:00-5:00 Greens Day
- Nov. 6 9:00-12:00 Greens Day
- Nov. 7 6:30-8:30 Greens Night
- Nov. 8 9:00-12:00 Greens Day (If needed)
- Nov. 9 9:00 Business Meeting & Snowflake Fair Decorating
- Nov. 10 9:00 Fair Table Set Up
- Nov. 11 9:00-1:00 Snowflake Fair

Because the church parking lot was closed the day of the Circle's October 10<sup>th</sup> meeting, the group held their business meeting at AJ's in Stoneham and enjoyed a delicious lunch as well. Most of the business meeting time was devoted to finalizing plans for the Nov. 11 Snowflake Fair. Changes this year will be that the Christmas Loft will be located in the Vestry, and Jacky Stearns has stepped down as chairperson of the Treasures table. Lois Brown will be the chairperson, but Jacky will still be involved. Thank you Jacky for the many extra hours you have donated as the Treasures table chairperson. Fair tables will be: Food, Treasures, Gifts, Knitted Hats & Mittens, American Girl Doll Clothes, Books, Balsam Fir Pillows, Greens, Berry Bowls, Thanksgiving Basket Raffle, a Youth Group table as well as lunch. This is a great opportunity to do some early Christmas shopping. The next Circle meeting will be at 9:00 on Thursday, Nov. 9, and will include a business meeting and time to decorate for the Snowflake Fair. Tables will be set up at 9:00 on Friday, Nov. 10. Food donations should be brought to the church by 8:30 the day of the fair, and donations for the Treasures table should be in by Monday, Nov. 6, to allow time for pricing. Kitchen clean up volunteer for October is Ruth Mitchell, and Nancy Olmsted is scheduled for November. There are no membership requirements for Ladies Circle, so please feel free to attend business meetings, work meetings or other activities as your time allows. Contacts: Linda Libby, 925-3661, [trout@fairpoint.net](mailto:trout@fairpoint.net) or Carolyn Carter, 928-2080, [cecarter1994@gmail.com](mailto:cecarter1994@gmail.com)

## Lovell Girl Scouts

The annual Girl Scout fall sale of magazines, candy & nuts has now ended. This sale allows troops to earn money for early troop activities, uniforms, etc. Another early money earning activity this year was parking cars during the Fryeburg Fair. The proceeds of

\$3000 will be divided between the five Lovell troops. Thank you Megan Hamlin for all the work coordinating the volunteer schedule and to George & Priscilla Cunningham for making the activity possible. Registration for the 2017-2018 Girl Scout year continues. Contact Linda Libby or your GS troop's leader for registration information for girls in grades K-12. For this coming Girl Scout year, co-leaders are still needed for the Daisy (grades K & 1) troop to work with leader, Trish Stearns, and the Junior troop to work with leader, Chaz Reed. Daisies, Brownies, Juniors and a new Cadette Troop for girls in 6-8 grades will hold meetings on Thursdays 3:00-4:30 either at the Lovell Library or New Suncook School. Another troop for older girls will be meeting 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday nights in Fryeburg at the Congregational Church. Troop 58 Cadettes, Jade Blood and Alanna Nataluk, continue to work on their Silver Award project of "Birthday Bags". They are collecting items and sewing bags to make children's birthdays more enjoyable. There is a collection box and list of needed items available in the Lovell UCC Vestry. Completed bags are being donated to area food pantries. Girls from Troops 58 and 67 volunteered at the Girl Scout "Celebrate Camp" event at Pondicherry Girl Scout Camp on Saturday, Oct. 14. Troop 58 also camped overnight Friday night at the event. Scouts still continue their returnable bottle/can collection (*please be sure containers are returnable*) at Lovell UCC, or donations may be left at Waitko's Redemption Center on McNeil Road. Just ask that the Girl Scout account be credited. Contact Linda Libby, Lovell Organizer/Recruiter, 925-3661 or [trout@fairpoint.net](mailto:trout@fairpoint.net), for local and service unit information.

***Returnable Bottle/Can Collection to Benefit Girl Scouts.***

**Please place empties in the container available at Lovell U.C.C.**



Troop 58 is planning a **homemade Apple pie sale**, using locally grown apples, to help provide funds to put on a tea party for local k-1 students and fellow Daisy scouts, over April vacation. We will be selling frozen, 9" Apple Pies for \$12 ea. If you would like to order a pie to have ready for baking for Thanksgiving, place your order by November 9th- pies will be available for pickup on the November 11th at the church fair, or we can deliver the frozen pies to residences in Lovell, Sweden, Stow, Stoneham, Chatham, & Fryeburg. To place your order please see Alanna Nataluk and Audra Hamlin or e-mail: [meganc3@fairpoint.net](mailto:meganc3@fairpoint.net); or call 207-928-2707-you can leave a message or ask for Megan.

