## ASSISTANT TO BOARD OF SELECTMEN'S REPORT August 17, 2011

- There will be an Ashby Barn Tour held this Saturday, August 20<sup>th</sup>. The tour begins at 12 noon at the Historical Society Building and at 8:00 p.m. there will be a Barn Dance at the Stock Farm (read from flyer).
- Starting in September, the Ashby Board of Health is changing their meeting schedule to the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays each month. The meetings will still begin at 8:00 p.m.
- The Board of Selectmen has received a letter from the Grange Secretary that the Ashby Grange #172 will be disbanding as of September 30, 2011 due to the difficulties of maintaining membership numbers to sustain an active Grange.
- Volunteers needed for the Council on Aging Chore Program. Help your community by volunteering a few hours to clean up a senior's yard. Make it a family outing and teach your kids the value of being a volunteer. Call the COA office at 978-386-2424 ext. 27 to sign up.
- Results of the of Economic Development Survey and Vision Session are available on the Town's website <a href="https://www.ci.ashby.ma.us">www.ci.ashby.ma.us</a>
- The Selectmen have received the following mail, email, memos and faxes:
  - ❖ Letter from Commonwealth of Massachusetts seeking to Lease Spaces of approximately 11,300 sq. ft. to 22,800 sq. ft.
  - ❖ Invitation to the Association of Town Finance Committees' 2011 Annual Town Meeting
  - ❖ MMA's Municipal Advocate
- Public Service Announcements:
  - + All eligible individuals (seniors and ADA qualified) wishing to participate in the Meals on Wheels Program should contact Kathryn Becker at 386-6880. Meals are only \$2.00 and are now delivered Monday through Friday around noon.
  - + MART Shuttle Service is available to all eligible (60 years or older, ADA qualified) individuals. Ashby residents may use the van Monday through Friday for medical appointments, social day care and shopping. Interested residents should call Jennifer Collins Monday through Thursday at 386-2501, ext. 11 to apply and schedule use.
  - + Current Board, Committee, and Department Vacancies: Cemetery Commissioner, Cultural Council, Historical Commission, Senior Tax Work-off Program, and ZBA