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## 4th ANNUAL TOWN WIDE YARD SALE

Saturday, May 27th 9am - 2pm

Contact Adele Hale at 547-3403.

A \$3.00 donation will reserve your listing on the map.

Sponsored by the Greenfield Recreation Committee

## **NEWS FROM THE SELECTBOARD**

As we sit here in the second week of Spring anticipating all that brings, it is hard to be patient with an impending heavy wet snow storm looming. Be that as it may, there's much to share.

Town Meeting 2017 began with Election postponements due to the snowstorm on the 14th of March. Many thanks to our Supervisors of the Checklist and Election personnel, including Moderator Gil Bliss, Town Clerk Dee Sleeper and ballot clerks for their flexibility, as well as residents who made the necessary adjustments to get to the polls on Friday. Thanks to Deputy Moderator Bruce Dodge and those residents who faithfully turn out to help with the counting of the ballots. Despite this bumpy start, the conduct of the actual meeting on Saturday went well. Thanks to the Boy Scouts for their Color Guard and to the Girl Scouts and Brownies, as well as the PTO, for the great food, snacks and drinks that were available. We were also impressed with the Old Bennington Road turnout- both paved and unpaved! Spirited discussions were fewer this year, yet no less spirited! Thanks to all for their well-considered input and your support as a community for our operation of the Town for 2017.

Following our first Selectboard meeting after Town Meeting, the new board will be focusing on goals for the new year that include our continued commitment to improved communication, collaboration, openness and transparency. Remember, the first 15 minutes of each board meeting are open anyone from the public to raise any issues or concerns. This public forum has been a unique communication platform. Toward this end, our new town website is now on-line. Many thanks to the Library for their collaboration and financial support of this endeavor. Aaron Patt and Catherine Shaw are working to update the old content that was ported into the new format, which will now be more responsive to smart phones, tablets and small screens. We have had several positive comments about our attempts to reach out and communicate in a new way. We like the metaphor of moving into a new house...nothing is in its right place yet and things are hard to find but that will improve over time. Be sure to check in on the home page and, on the left hand side, update your e-subscription for town wide notifications. We welcome your feedback.

MEMORIAL<br/>DAYGREENFIELD OBSERVANCE<br/>MAY 28th<br/>PARADE AT NOONFree LuncheonImmediately Following at the Meeting House<br/>All Veterans Encouraged to Participate<br/>Honor Our FallenSponsored by the Greenfield Recreation Committee

### **TOWN OFFICES**

#### GREENFIELD SELECTBOARD Executive Selectboard meetings are Tues. at 5:30pm every week unless otherwise posted.

Selectboard: Margo Charig Bliss, Chair Stephen Atherton Jr., Robert Marshall Aaron Patt, Town Administrator Email: greenfieldnhbos@myfairpoint.net Town Offices open: Mon.-Thurs 9:00am to 5:00pm. Closed to the public on Friday. Please call if you need an appointment during closed hours.

Catherine Shaw, Office Manager Tel: 547-3442 Fax: 547-3004 Email: greenfieldnhacct@myfairpoint.net

#### **BUILDING/HEALTH INSPECTOR**

Inspections by Appt/as needed Inspector - Mike Borden 547-0437 Town Office Hours: Tuesdays 1-4pm Email: mbordenbi@gmail.com

#### CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Meets 4th Wed. of the Month at 7:30pm Chair: Conrad Dumas Tel: 547-2621 Email: cedumas2@yahoo.com

#### PLANNING BOARD

Meetings: 2nd & 4th Mon. at 6:00pm At the Town Offices. Normally the 2nd Mon. meeting is for hearings and the 4th Mon. meeting is for other business. Chair: Paul Renaud Tel: 831-9823 Email: greenfieldnhpb@gmail.com

#### **TOWN CLERK (Registrations)**

Mon. 6:00pm to 7:30pm Thurs. 9:00am to 12:00pm Thurs. 6:00pm to 7:30pm 1st Sat. from 9:00am to 12:00pm Town Clerk - Dee Sleeper Tel: 547-2782 Email: greenfieldnhtc@myfairpoint.net

#### TAX COLLECTOR

Mon. 1:00pm to 7:30pm Thursday 6:00pm to 7:30pm 1st Saturday 9:00am to 12:00pm Tax Collector - Kathleen Valliere Tel: 547-2782 Fax: 547-2242 Email: greenfieldnhtaxes@myfairpoint.net

#### WELFARE DEPARTMENT

Welfare Director: Leah Fiasconaro-Conway Walk-in Hours: Weds- 5:00pm to 7:00pm Email: greenfieldnhwelfare@gmail.com For Appts: 547-3442 Emergency assist: Call Police at 547-2525

## **TOWN DIRECTORY** OTHER DEPARTMENTS

#### DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Roads Division Manager: Neal Beauregard 547-3504 Email: greenfield.nh.dpw@myfairpoint.net

#### **Buildings & Grounds Division Manager:** Rick McQuade 325-7346 Email: DPWbuildings@myfairpoint.net

#### STEPHENSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Tues 2pm to 6pm, Wed 10am to 8pm, Thurs 2pm to 8pm, Fri 2pm to 6pm, Sat 10am to 4pm Tel: 547-2790 Director: Beverly Pietlicki director@stephensonlibrary.org youth@stephensonlibrary.org Circulation/General Questions circulation@stephensonlibrary.org

Monthly meetings at the library Library Trustees 1st Wed at 6:30pm Friends of the Library 3rd Wed 7:00pm

#### **RECYCLING CENTER**

Hours: Tuesday 8:00am to 4pm<*NEW* Thursday 11:00am to 6:00pm <*NEW* Saturday 8:00am to 4:00pm Stickers for residents at the Town Office. Supervisor: Carol Burgess Tel: 547-8617 Email: greenfieldnhrecycling@myfairpoint.net

#### ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Meetings as needed Chair: John Gryval Please call the Town Office for information Tel: 547-3442

#### OTHER COMMITTEES OR CONTACTS

**BUDGET COMMITTEE** Meetings as needed Chair: Norm Nickerson - 547-3592

**CEMETERY TRUSTEES** Chair: Gil Bliss - 547-3606

**TOWN MODERATOR** Gil Bliss - 547-3606

**TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS** Chair: Ken Paulsen - 547-2180

SCHOOL BOARD REP: Myron Steere 547-3332

#### **TOWN FORESTER**

NH Licensed Forester Karla Allen Tel: 662-5646 Email: karla@garlandlumber.net

## EMERGENCIES DIAL 911

POLICE/FIRE/AMBULANCE DIAL 911 or 352-1100

#### **FIRE & POLICE**

#### FIRE DEPARTMENT

Chief: David Hall 547-3501 or 2222 Station hrs: Mon. 9-12, Thurs. by appt. Emergency Dispatch: 352-1100 or 911 Email: chiefdavidhall@greenfieldfire.org

Business Mtg. 1st Mon. of month at 7:00pm

#### FIRE BURN PERMITS

To obtain a Fire Permit Please call one of the following:

#### FIRE WARDENS

Eugene Hennessy, Fire Warden	718-3936
David Hall, Deputy FW2	547-2222
Jeff LaCourse, Deputy FW3	582-3289
Michael Borden, Deputy FW4	547-0437
Chaz Babb, Deputy FW5	562-0545

#### POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief: Brian Giammarino Office: 547-2535 Dispatch: 547-2525 Email: greenfieldnhpolice@myfairpoint.net



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#### To submit articles to the Spirit:

E-mail text to: greenfieldnhbos@myfairpoint.net, or drop off typed articles to the Town Offices. Also, please send in photos, articles, event announcements, news of the town, poems, drawings, historical info, etc., with the name of the writer and/or photographer. Thanks!

All opinions in this publication are those of the authors and do not necessarily reflect the views of the Selectboard and may not necessarily represent any town official or department.



## FROM THE Recycling Center

We are sending a huge THANK YOU to everyone for your support at Town Meeting. Your approval has resulted in new hours of operation on Tuesdays and Thursdays as noted below. Seasons are about to change accompanied by longer days, more sunshine and warmer weather. This is a jump start to launch our gardens, begin those outside projects, and prepare for the happy days of summer. Your reasons for visiting the Greenfield Recycling Center (GRC) may include more than just dropping off your kitchen trash and recyclables. Many items that come from areas outside your kitchen are accepted but they need to be checked. We provide many options but some will require proper processing procedures and/or fees will apply. You must also provide your own muscle power to unload heavy items.

#### NEW PERMANENT HOURS: Tuesday 8am - 4pm, Thursday 11am to 6pm, Saturday 8am - 4pm

These hours will take effect as of April 1, 2017. Please note that Tuesday's and Thursday's hours are the only changes and Thursday's hours will now be year around.

#### Be Aware Of The Open Operational Hours

We have the gates open at <u>off</u> hours for various reasons but it is not safe for the public to be on the premises during those hours. We have a 4'X 8' sign as you turn off Sawmill Road onto DPW Road. This sign and the boulder sign at the gate have the open hours on them. Do you remember that the boulder was unearthed when the old road was moved to its present position? When we found this treasure, Neal Brown thought of an outstanding purpose for it. He was involved in positioning it in the right spot and at the right angle. Neal then proceeded to purchase the wood for the signs, Dan Wolaver scribed the letters and numbers, David Bridgewater routed out what was scribed and Cookie Smith painted the signs using the "town colors" which are the same as the other signs in town at Oak Park and the town garden. Stop and admire the signs and then stay long enough to read them.

**HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE:** Collections have started - information sheets are available. Remember we cannot accept hazardous waste - your items must be taken to Keene.

**TAKE NOTICE: Final answer - caps off.** #1 & #2 plastics. Due to processing issues, all caps must be off all plastics for recycling. The plastics will not crush in the baler with the caps on. Since we are now baling both plastics and also have a floor scale, we are realizing the true weights of the bales. If these factors had been apparent 1½ years ago, the caps would have stayed off but we will still collect and sell the caps. A large trash barrel sits between the plastics windows for the collection of the caps. We greatly appreciate your efforts and cooperation with this and apologize for any inconvenience. Please continue to rinse all containers you recycle since we handle them again to process them.

**DRUG TAKE BACK DAY is on April 29th** 10am - 2pm. This is for unused, expired or unwanted prescription and over the counter drugs. Local locations will be posted on the bulletin board. The first event was held in September of 2010. Events have been held twice a year since then. The overall total collected up to May 2016 equals 6,418,519 pounds!

**ROADSIDE ROUND-UP is scheduled for April 29th**, the last Saturday of April. This event will always be scheduled for the last Saturday in April - an easy way to remember it.

No parking between the orange traffic cones.

The Spirit is being mailed to each household so please take time to read the news from each of the town's departments

**REMINDERS:** The GRC's handout, which is available on the web site, the town offices, and the Recycling Center provides more details for recyclable items. Please take time to read it and/or post it on your refrigerator for a quick reference. Remember Greenfield has mandatory recycling.

• All trash must be in bags and tied closed. Thank you for your constant cooperation on this issue.

#### • <u>ALL METALS and BRUSH MUST BE CHECKED as well</u> <u>as Mini Mall and Library items.</u>

• Plastics - # I's = BOTTLES ONLY. Please look up for some samples on the wall for the plastics.

• Aluminum-cans - NO aerosol cans - these go in steel cans.

• Steel cans: Please take off the top & bottom of large tin/steel cans, 46oz or larger, and crush the can in half. This helps tremendously to increase the storage capacity until it goes to market.

• Corrugated cardboard-**If it has ridges it is corrugated**-TEAR to check. Must be dry and clean. Please NO greasy pizza box inserts or bottoms - greasy bottoms are trash, recycle the clean box cover. Beware as some boxes are corrugated and others are tag board (mixed paper). Please take out all packing materials in the corrugated cardboard box before recycling.

• Vegetable/Nut oils used or new accepted - Requirements are posted on the wall at the collection area. Used oil is collected all year long. Thank you for your contributions.

• Lawn mowers/Bicycles - these items need to be checked and the history on usable lawn equipment is appreciated.

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- Demo/Construction debris/ Bulky Waste and all Electronics - Must see attendant. ALL have FEES applied.
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We are never too far away or too busy for you to ask questions. If we are not visible to you, please open the door and give a shout. We take pleasure in making your time at the center a friendly and productive experience.

Carol Burgess and the Recycling Center staff.



## The Fire Chief's Corner

Let me start by speaking for all of us here at Greenfield Fire by saying thank you for your support at Town Meeting. There were several thoughtful questions at the meeting from residents about the department and over the last couple of years I have been asked quite a bit about what we do and how and why we do it. In this article and future articles going forward I'm going to try to share a little bit of what our world looks like, so that you (the town residents) can better understand our world. But first a few updates on what is happening at GFD.

The new "jaws of life" has arrived. The new jaws are state of the art, battery driven hydraulic tools that require no gas driven power plant or hydraulic hoses. Three tools: a cutter, a spreader and a ram all come with their own batteries and chargers. For the first time we don't have to start a gas engine which can be problematic, we are not limited by hose length and we can run all three tools at the same time. Add to that the improved cutting blades and we now can get into virtually any vehicle. Our old jaws would not cut many of today's modern materials. This is a game changer. A big thank you is in order to the SelectBoard and Town Administrator for helping make this happen.

We have been busy at the firehouse as well. With the help of our very capable and energetic Building and Grounds Manager Rick McQuade, we have sorted out our furnace problems, fixed many non-functioning fluorescent lights in the apparatus bays and many other small but annoying problems. We have also installed automatic door openers on the rear bay doors. For years, we have driven an engine out the back door and had to stop, get out and go inside to close the bay door... all in the middle of an emergency response! We thank Rick for all his hard work and help.

Speaking of progress, Captain Borden and the bunk in firefighters have put in long hours getting our washer/dryer and extractor installed so we can keep our equipment clean and we can stay safe. Someone donated a washer and dryer years ago, but they were never properly hooked up. Our new extractor is an industrial strength washer designed to clean turnout (firefighting) gear. So, why is this extractor so important? First and foremost the cancer rate in firefighters is two to three times higher than the rest of the population. You would think this only applies to lung cancer. Think again, it applies equally to colorectal, brain and liver cancer as well. It turns out it isn't just what we breathe on the fireground but what gets on our skin as well. And it all comes back to our turnout gear.

We have learned a lot in recent years. That's why there is a big nationwide fire service Cancer Awareness Initiative to change our culture and behavior. Sadly I need look no further than the mirror to see the problem. I joined GFD in 1993 and as one of the top responders I was lucky enough to get brand new turnout gear my first year. We now know that turnout gear should be used for no more than 10 years and should be washed after every fire to get the carcinogens out of it. I retired my badly worn gear in 2014, 21 years worth of service that had never been washed once! For years I kept my night-hitch (bunker pants rolled down over my fire boots for quick access) by the back door of my house. When my kids were little they used to play around it... I can't tell you how many times I jumped into my boots and stepped on a Lego or Matchbox car. Not only was I exposed to these dangerous chemicals; I shared them with my family. I'm in no way unique... firefighters everywhere did the same stupid things. We simply didn't know any better. Our current airpacks hold a potential 30 minutes of air which for many is more like 20 minutes or 15 if you are a heavy breather. But back in the early 90's, we had 20 minute bottles... think 12 minutes of useable air. But we were tough guys and knew better, we would start in without air and only put the mask on when the heat and smoke became unbearable. We could not have done ourselves a greater disservice.

Yes, we know better now. But the problem continues to this day and part of the problem is us. Many macho firefighters don't want to be seen in clean gear. Hand a firefighter a new helmet or turnout and he/she will tell you they can't wait to "get some smoke on it" so they won't look like a newbie. If you think I'm kidding, read this troubling article about young Boston firefighters dying of cancer:

http://www.bostonmagazine.com/news/article/2017/03/19/fire-fighters-cancer/.

I share this so that you, the residents of Greenfield, will better understand what we are up against and why we have asked for the money for these projects. The locker room to isolate our gear from the dangerous diesel exhaust, up to date turnout gear, the extractor, new boots and masks etc... these are not luxury items. Yes we still need to change our culture and behavior, but we need the equipment to make it possible. Bluntly, for us, these are a matter of life and death. Thank you for listening and taking the time to better understand our world. Thank you for your continued support. Together we can move forward and build a better, smarter, safer fire department to serve our community.

Thank you, David Hall, Fire Chief

## STEPHENSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY Beverly Pietlicki, Director

Library Contact: 547-2790, director@stephensonlibrary.org T 2-6, W 10-8, Th 2-8, F 2-6, Sat 10-4, Closed Sunday-Monday The Stephenson Memorial Library is a not-for-profit public library.

Hello Greenfield residents! By now I have met many friendly and helpful folks in this lovely community. My learning curve has taken off and we are on the path continuing to provide a vast amount of library services to the community in the same spirit as my predecessor, Ms. Julie. We welcome, Zoe Aaronson as a new staff member who is doing a wonderful job handing the inter library loans and circ desk along with Roger and Eileen Eber. Eileen has been providing fun and exciting weekly story times and new programs are already being planned. I love hearing people talk and laugh at the library, there's so much to be grateful for! I look forward to meeting and getting to know each of you.

Please join us for these events!

**SKYWATCH SERIES** presented by Paul Winalski of the NH Astronomical Society. A series of programs have been scheduled to bring the Greenfield community on board with the circulating telescope at the library. A presentation including details on borrowing guidelines, safety, use of the telescope and sky watch basics will be included in the first of the series on March 23rd at 6:30 pm.

The second of the series will be a "hands on" demonstration on Friday, April 28th from 7:00- 9:00 pm. Details of the location of this event will follow.

The last of the series to be held on Thursday, May 11th at 8:00 pm will discuss elements of astronomy in more detail, such as "current theories on how stars form, how they progress from main sequence to red giants, and the collapse to a white dwarf or explosion in a supernova that ends a star's life. Along the way there will be references to objects in the sky that night that illustrate the various stages." We'll then go out and look at those objects.

This is a journey that should lead to the creation of an astronomy club in Greenfield that meets on a regular basis, getting the optimum use out of this generous educational tool given to the library by the NH Astronomical Society. (NHAShttp://www.nhastro.com/)

These programs are for all ages; however due to the later times reserved for the sky watches, it is best for ages first grade and up to adults. Please call or come in to "register" for these programs at the library.

"Registering" for a program will give me a sense of how popular a program is, and how many people to expect in order to plan for staffing, seating and the creation of participating materials. Thank you for helping me get to know you in this way until I become better familiar with everyone in the community! • Armchair travel: Steve Farrar's National Parks series continues the second Wednesday of each month at 7 pm in the Wensberg Room.

April 12 features Parks of the Midwest May 10 features Rocky Mountain Parks

• Outreach to the Commons every Wednesday from 3:30-4:30

• April is National Poetry Month. Join the library on April 20th at 6:00 for "open mic" poetry. Bring your favorite poems to read or some you have authored and would like to read to us. Please call or come in to register for this event.

• "Mother's Day Tea" May 9 at 3:00 pm. Mothers bring your sons and daughters and celebrate your special day by reading together at the library and making crafts with refreshments. Library staff will read themed works. Please call or come in to register for this event.

• "Building a Better World" is the theme for 2017 Summer Reading Program this year. Stay tuned for a summer schedule full of fun activities and reading.

#### • Monthly Book Discussions

We have monthly children's book clubs for Pre K - Grade 7.

We also have two adult book clubs that offer daytime and evening meeting times. Please visit our "Book Club" display at the library to see titles and times for all of our groups.

#### **Recurring events:**

- Writers' Group Every Tuesday 3-6 pm in the Wensberg Room
- Preschool Storytime Every Wednesday at 11 am
- Greenfield Watercolor Collaborative Every Wednesday at 6 pm
- Makers Club Legos, 3Doodlers, Snap Circuits and more every Thursday at 4:30 pm
- Click Clack Knitters Every Thursday 3:30 5 pm
- Adult Coloring Every Friday 3 5 pm

Feel free to call the library at 547-2790 or email director@stephensonlibrary.org with any questions about services or upcoming programs. Your input is critical to the services we provide to your community.

Beverly Pietlicki, Library Director

## GREENFIELD HISTORICAL SOCIETY

#### NOTABLE FIRES OF THE PAST IN GREENFIELD By Lenny Cornwell

Loss of and damage to properties from fire have been around for a long time. Lots of homes and barns have burned- sometimes to be rebuilt and sometimes to be abandoned, leaving perhaps a road and a cellar hole. Bells were sounded in the villages to signal the call to gather for emergencies or matters of great importance.

April of 1892 was dry and brush fires popped up and out of control in town. Sydney Hardy set a small brush pile to burn and it quickly went out of control. In trying to extinguish the blaze, Sydney sustained burns on his hands and legs. Also, his clothing caught fire. For some unknown reason, Sydney had \$90.00 on him and luckily managed to save the cash. Sydney ran to his cousin's house; the cousin sent for help. The bell sounded in the village and men showed up to put out the fire. Mr. Hardy survived his burns.

A week later, in the middle of the afternoon, a fire broke out on the "Plains", an area on the Bennington Road, now known as Sawmill Road. It quickly spread, and sounded like a tornado. Threatening the village, a second alarm was sounded with the bells. Men came out with shovels and hoes, arriving on foot and in wagons, A third alarm was given and the steam mills all blew their whistles indicating the seriousness of the conflagration. Back fires were set and one man plowed as fast as could be done - making furrows to slow the fire as it advanced on the village. Women were alarmed and children were naturally crying as this huge monster headed towards town. Luckily, the fire was turned in time. Four houses close to the fire were saved before it was turned westward. The fire burned over 1,000 acres. It extended from the railroad northward to Alexander Brook (just by Sunset Lake on the Crotched Mountain Road ) some one and one-half miles. Causing no serious damage, the fire was deemed good for future blueberry crops. "The Plains" also had a source of pitch pine that was used for torches.

After being so dry, rain finally came in the last week of May and the ground was even covered with snow, especially on the hills and mountains, for several days.

A few years later, on May 8th of 1901, a large fire broke out in Greenfield, burning six buildings and resulting in about\$25,000 in damage. This fire was believed to have been started from a spark coming from the locomotive of the train that landed on the roof of the two and a half story store owned by John H.Day ( in the area of the present Ministry Center ). At the time, there was no fire department in Greenfield. A large number of men volunteered to put it out. But the wind out of the northwest was very strong.

In a matter of a few minutes, the Day Store was wrapped in flames. The wind spread the fire to the depot, south to the

Hopkins grain store (This was not the mill, however. That was further away.), a house and north and easterly across the street (Depot Street) to a large building known as the stage barn. Very tight to this barn was a home owned by the railroad next door to the dwelling of the McCanna family. The fire was carried down Slip Road quite some distance by the wind. The buildings of Mrs. Knight (This property was across from the post office and burned later in the 1920s.) kept catching fire as did the soapstone company building by the railroad tracks.

Other houses on the east side of Slip Road were kept from burning by the Francestown Engine Co. and Mt. Crotchet No. 1 hand pumper. Bennington Engine Co. and Merrimac No. 1 also assisted. Merrimac No. 1 was stationed near Russellville (possibly Russell Station ?). The Nashua chemical engine arrived by special train, but the fire was pretty well under control by then, having burned for over three hours. It was, however, so intense that its heat killed plants sitting on windowsills facing the fire.

Had the wind direction been more from the west or south, the entire village might have been consumed. Following this fire, the town of Greenfield voted to get a hand pumper of its own and to construct a building for it across from the Meeting House.

Source of information: The Peterborough Transcript

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PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR:

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19, 2017 - General Membership Meeting, 6:30 PM at the Museum for the purpose of discussing the budget for the upcoming year and selecting a nominating committee. Program following the meeting- "Silent History: The Foundations of Greenfield" - Bob Marshall and Ken Paulsen speaking on the cellar holes of Greenfield

SATURDAY, APRIL 22, 2017 at the Meeting House, 7:30 - 11 PM "British Invasion" - a fundraiser dance

THURSDAY, MAY 24, 2017 - General Membership Meeting at the Wensberg Room of the Library at 6:45 PM for the purpose of voting on the slate of officers, voting on the budget. NH Humanities Council Program about "Robert's Rangers" will follow the meeting at 7 PM

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2017 : "Telling Stories" at the Library in the Wensberg Room at 7 PM. A workshop on collecting histories from the NH Humanities Council

#### SOME OTHER DETAILS TO NOTE:

The GHS Board of Directors generally meets every month, except December, at the Museum on the second Thursday at 6:30 PM.

The Museum is open on the last Saturday, January through November, from 10 AM until noon. To arrange a visit at another time, please call Lenny at 547-2198.

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MEMBERSHIP: To join or to renew you membership, please call Dale at 547-3377. This is also a good time to find out whether your employer matches charitable/non-profit organization donations.

AMAZON AND THE GHS PARTNERSHIP: Yes, you read that correctly. If and whenever you shop on Amazon, please remember to click onto the Amazon Smiles program right at the beginning of your Internet trip to Amazon for an automatic contribution by Amazon to the GHS ! As the young'uns would say, " How cool is that? "

You may also shop for some gift items directly at the Museum.

A WAY TO HELP: The GH depends upon the philanthropic generosity of individuals and local businesses to offset the expense of its

Internet connection. Please contact Dale at 547-3377 to learn how you can help. This is an easy tax deduction, too.

GENEALOGY: Is this the year you are really going to delve into your family history? The GHS has once again provided the computer program, Heritage Quest, for the library. With just your Stephenson Memorial Library card in hand, you are able to research your family - from home!

CONTACT INFORMATION: E-mail: ghsociety@myfairpoint.net Facebook: www.facebook.com/GreenfieldHS

## STORIES ABOUT THIS PLACE

## Sunday, April 2, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Join us for a night of stories from people in our community talking about how the land has shaped them and they it. This live performance event promises to include a palette of candid recollections, musings, anecdotes and insights into things that comprise life in and around the Monadnock region. You'll enjoy listening to Greenfield resident Hunter Carbee along with Jamie Trowbridge, Lita Judge, Lincoln Geiger, Eric Aldrich, and Susie Spikol Faber. Please bring a dessert to share, and we'll provide the coffee, tea and cider. The event is free and open to all; so we can plan accordingly, we encourage you to register at:

Stories About This Place. event brite. com

Presented by: Monadnock Conservancy.

Location: Peterborough Town House, 1 Grove Street, Peterborough, N.H.

Contact: anne@monadnockconservancy.org or call 603-357-0600, ext. 102.

## GEORGE PROCTOR RECREATION AREA JOINT COMMITTEE

There will be a meeting of the George Proctor Recreation Area Joint Committee on Saturday, April 22nd at 10am at the pond on the recreation area off of Dodge Road. There is a rain date of May 6th.

All are welcome to attend.

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12 Depot Drive • Off Slip Road • Behind Harvester Market

HOURS: Food Pantry: Saturdays, 9 – 12 Clothes Closet: Fridays & Saturdays, 10 – 12

These are services of the Greenfield Community Church. Food is available to anyone in need. Great clothes at great prices. (You can donate food at the post office or at Depot Drive, good clean clothes at Depot Drive. We have a drop box.) To our friends who contribute \$\$ to the Food Pantry: THANK YOU! You are helping your neighbors more than you may realize!





## The Greenfield Conservation Commission Natural Resource Inventory Survey

Thank you for participating in our survey, which is open to residents of Greenfield only. Your feedback is very important and will directly benefit the Conservation Commission and the Town. **Responses are anonymous.** You may use this survey by filling it out and dropping if off at the Town Office or by going to this link on the internet: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PJGGW7C

1. Do you feel that areas in Greenfield should be protected for recreation or conservation?

Strongly disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly agree
$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
2. Do you support the a	acquisition of lands	for conservation purposes	?	
Yes		No	No	o Opinion
$\bigcirc$		$\bigcirc$		$\bigcirc$
3. Do you believe that	historic places (or	areas) should be preserved	in the Town?	
Yes		No	No	Opinion
$\bigcirc$		$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	
4. If the Town could acc and why?	quire one area for p	permanent protection agains	t development, wł	nat or where would it be
E A fee incurred by t	aking land out of	ourrent use is a variable	but important wa	, for the Concernation

5. A fee incurred by taking land out of current use is a variable but important way for the Conservation Commission to invest in land protection. Currently, only the first \$5,000 of proceeds from the land use change tax are directed to the Commission for this purpose. Would you support raising the maximum amount allocated to the Conservation Commission for land protection?

Yes	No	No Opinion
$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$

6. Beyond \$5,000, what percent of proceeds from the land use change tax should be allocated to land protection?

#### 7. Please indicate how important the preservation of open space in Greenfield is to you:

 Extremely Important
 Very Important
 Somewhat Important
 Not so Important
 Not at all Important

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#### 8. Please rank Greenfield's features below of importance to you:

	Extremely Important	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not so Important	Not at all Important
Fish/wildlife management	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Forest	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Scenic views	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Open Space	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$

#### 9. Rank the following categories:

	Extremely Important	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not so Important	Not at all Important
Preserving our forest land and working forests	$\bigcirc$	0	0	0	0
Preserving farmland	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$
Preserving land for recreation, such as for hiking, snowmobiling, fishing, and hunting	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	0	0	0
Improving or expanding local parks	0	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	0	0

#### 10. Please rank the importance of the following priorities. Think about the short term (the next 5 years).

	Extremely Important	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not so Important	Not at all Important
Protection of well sites, aquifers, water bodies etc.	$\bigcirc$	0	0	0	0
Land acquisition for conservation (i.e. trails, educa- tion, hunting)	0	0	0	0	0
Protection of land for wildlife habitat.	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$	$\bigcirc$

11. Please rank the following methods of acquiring or restoring land:

			Rank 1		Rank 2		Rank 3
	ourchases vation easement		0		0		0
12. In	12. In what ways do you enjoy Greenfield's recreational opportunities? Please check all that apply:					that apply:	
	Fishing		Snow shoeing		Hiking		Hunting
	Horseback riding		Swimming		Mountain biking		Personal watercraft
	Canoeing/boating		Snowmobiling		Nature observation		Cross-country skiing
Other (please separate responses with a comma)							
13. Du	iring the past year, d	id you c	or someone in your h	ouseł	hold visit any of the fol	lowing	g areas?
	Wapack National Wildlife Refuge		Greenfield State Park		Sunset Lake		Zephyr Lake
	George Proctor Recreation Area		Powder Mill Pond		Greenfield trails		Unpaved roads for walking
	Robertson Easement	Other	(please separate res	sponse	es with a comma)		

14. What topics are of interest to you?

15. Please tell us about other ideas, suggestions, or comments you may have:

16. If you would like to receive an electronic copy of the forthcoming Natural Resources Inventory via e-mail, please enter your address below. You will be sent a copy or alerted when it is available on the Conservation Commission webpage.

ROADSIDE ROUND-UP in honor of Earth Day SATURDAY, APRIL 29th

GREENFIELD

IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN. KEEPING OUR TOWN BEAUTIFUL IS SO EASY AND LOTS OF FUN!

Well, Itell ya. We're darn proud of the job you do each and every year. Our town looks great after you get done. The plan is the same as last year. For every bag

> that is deposited in the dumpster at the Recycling Center, ya' gonna get a raffle ticket ya' can use at the dinner giving ya' a better chance at winning the surprise door prizes we'll have. And for kids, we have the MAKE A DIFFERENCE CONTEST: Children who bring in the most blue bags win a cash

prize at the dinner. To enter, bring your bags to the Recycling Center, and get a "receipt" for the number. There will be three prizes; first (\$20), second (\$15), and third (\$10) place cash prizes for kids 12 and under. Gotta attend the dinner to win.

As usual we'll be havin' a free Ham & Bean Dinner at 5:30pm at the Meeting House for all those who help out.

We'll also be offerin' our famous "ALL YOU CAN EAT (UNTIL IT'S GONE) GUTBUSTING ICE CREAM BUFFET" TOO!

AND, while you are doin' yur best to finish it all off, we'll have a drawing for our door prizes and find out who won the Make a Difference Contest. (Don't miss it, You have to be there to win)! IT'S EASY HERE'S WHAT TO DO: Start whenever you want on Saturday morning.

Clean up trash wherever needed along town roads. Between 8am and closing time (4pm) bring your blue bags and other roadside refuse to the Recycling Center and deposit them around back in the specially marked dumpster for the Roadside Round-Up.

NOTE: Only bags brought to the Recycling Center can count for free tickets or for contest prizes.

GENERAL INFO Bags will be mailed just before Round-Up Day!

More bags are available at the Recycling Center

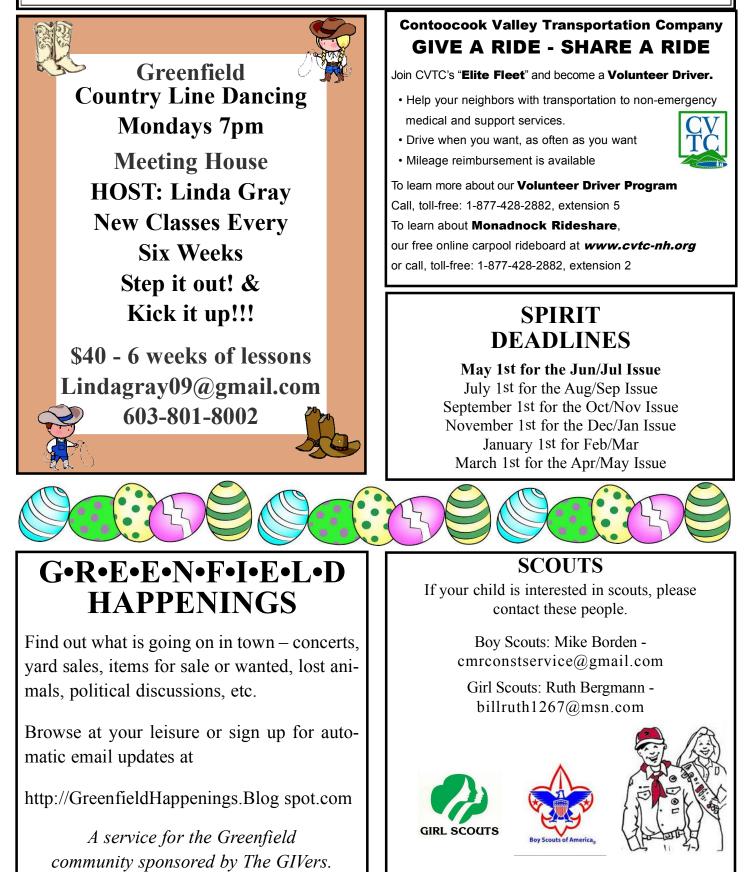
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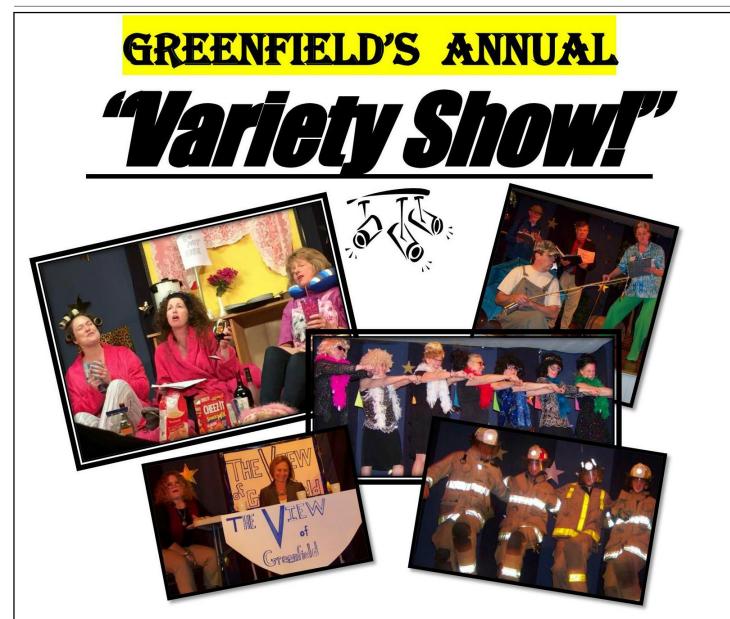
**RAIN OR SHINE EVENT!** 

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## GREENFIELD RECREATION

Call 547-3442 for more information or the contacts below.





## Sat. May 13, 2017 7pm, Meeting House Admission is \$3 & a Food Pantry Item

Do you have an act? Do you sing or play an instrument? Contact the Show Director: Dorene Adams 547-2706 Space is limited, so get on the list early!

Proceeds benefit the Greenfield Elementary School, PTO Food Pantry items will go to the Greenfield Congregational Covenant Church

## Greenfield Tradespeople: To include your FREE Business listing, call 547-3442

#### APPLIANCE REPAIRS

Lachance Appliance Service Servicing ALL Major Household Appliances 547-2229

#### **AUTOMOTIVE NEEDS**

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Kemp's Used Auto Parts & Trucking Russell Station Road 547-2768

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**The Greenfield B & B Inn** John Jordan and Ken Tetreault Forest Road - 547-6327

#### **BEAUTY SERVICES**

Rejuvenate with Massage Therapy Lydia Kennedy, LMT, RN 547-3486

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Eric the Butcher Quality cutting deer, sheep, moose, etc. On or Off Site - Rabbits available Leonardi's - Forest Road - 547-3369

#### <u>Childcare</u>

Wonderworks Learning Center Preschool & Pre-K Program Childcare 6 wks-12 yrs 547-3311 ext. 1370

#### **CLOTHES**

Greenfield CC Church Clothes Closet Open Sat.10-1pm Donated clothing at low prices. website: greenfieldchurch.org. 12 Depot Drive. Call the Church Office 547-3626

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Aaron Chacos Carpentry Decks, Roofs, Framing 688 Forest Road 547-3020 or 801-7485

AJ Russell Construction, LLC. Decks, Roofs, Framing, Remodeling 688 Forest Road 801-3894 or 547-3020

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Hilda Bridgewater, Realtor Helping Home Buyers & Sellers throughout the Monadnock Region. Cell 547- 7163 The Bean Group - www.HildaBridgewater.com

Kat Carpenter, Real Estate Agent LiG Properties, llc 7 Slip Rd #4, Greenfield - 603-217-2200 kat.carpenter@ligproperties.com

Linda K. Gray Realtor/Appraiser The Bean Group/LKG Appraisal 603-801-8002 or lindagray09@gmail.com

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Autism Life Coaching/Support Services for Adults with Autism & Asperger's Amy Lowell 547-3339 www.autismlifecoaching.com

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# COME RUN/WALK WITH US!

Help support the Greenfield Fire Department by joining us for our 2nd annual Hot Foot 5K, Fire Trail 10K, or Kids ½ mile Smoke Stampede\*! All proceeds go to support the Greenfield Volunteer Fire Department. The courses are almost entirely on beautiful quiet gravel country roads, almost no pavement or traffic!

## SATURDAY APRIL 29, 2017 Oak Park, 971 Forest Rd. Greenfield, NH 9:00 AM (Kids Smoke Stampede will begin at 8:30am)

T-shirts for first 50 runners/walkers registered before April 1, 2017 - T-shirts are for 5K and 10K participants only.

Part of a Fire Department? Register your team and compete with other area departments; first department to have 3 runners cross the finish line wins.

For more information or to register:

Visit www.active.com and search Greenfield, NH

Email gfdroadrace@aol.com to have information sheet, registration form and waiver form emailed to you.

Go to www.gfdroadrace.webs.com to view information and download forms.

Not able to attend but would like to support the Greenfield Fire Department with a donation? Send your donation payable to the Greenfield Firefighters' Association, PO Box 146, Greenfield, NH 03047. Please write in Roadrace in the memo line.

\*Kids' Smoke Stampede is for children 10 and under only.

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