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## NEW TANKER ON THE WAY!



It's been a long wait but the new tanker is finally built and ready to be delivered this month to Greenfield. At Town Meeting in March this year, the town voted to add \$94,000. to the Fire Rescue Apparatus (FRA) Capital Reserve Account to allow the Selectboard to purchase a tanker for the Greenfield Fire Department. The tanker chosen was the one recommended by Chief Hall at Town Meeting. The town is saving a substantial amount of money on this purchase because this truck is considered to be stock which means that it is not custom built. Custom trucks run in the \$450,000 range. We got this one for \$240,789.

The order was submitted in May with a down payment of \$8642. This amount came out of our FRA Capital Reserve Account. Then in September, the chassis was delivered to Midwest Fire from its supplier. At this point, a payment of \$77,776 was required. This payment also came out of the FRA Capital Reserve Account. The last payment will be made this month from the FRA Capital Reserve Account which just received the \$94,000 voted on at Town Meeting from tax revenue.

Midwest is requiring us to send out a team from our Fire Department to do the final inspection of the tanker as well as the walk through of instruction for its operation. This trip will be in the next week or so. This expense will be covered by the Fire Department budget.

Once this is accomplished, the truck will be driven out here from Minnesota by a professional driver. This will have the added advantage of running the truck through its paces to identify any problems.

We should see our new truck sometime this month, thanks to the leadership and initiative of our Fire Department and the support of taxpayers through disciplined savings via our Capital Reserve Funds. It will be a big relief and an exciting day for Greenfield to finally have the new tanker in our fire house.

*The Greenfield Selectboard*

# Happy Holidays

From All of Us  
at the  
Town Offices  
to  
All of You

**This issue of the Spirit Sponsored by**

**Patti Gibbons**

*Please see back cover*

# TOWN DIRECTORY

## TOWN OFFICES

### GREENFIELD SELECTBOARD

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

Selectboard: Robert Marshall Chair, Margo Charig Bliss, and Karen Day  
Town Administrator: Aaron Patt  
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.**

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

### BUILDING/HEALTH INSPECTOR

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

### CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Meets 4th Wed. of the Month at 7:30pm  
Chair: Roger Lessard Tel: 547-3204  
Email: mtking@pobox.com

### PLANNING BOARD

Meetings: 2nd & 4th Mon. at 6:30 pm  
At the Town Offices. Normally the 2nd Mon. meeting is for hearings and the 4th Mon. meeting is for other business.  
Chair: Angelique Moon  
Tel: 547-2820  
Email: greenfieldnhpb@gmail.com

### TOWN CLERK (Registrations)

#### NEW HOURS:

**Mon. 4:00pm to 7:00pm**

**Wed. 1:00pm to 7:00pm**

**Thurs. 4:00pm to 7:00pm**

Town Clerk - Dee Sleeper

Tel: 547-2782

Email: greenfieldnhhc@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: Tues- 5:00pm to 7:00pm

Email: greenfieldnhwelfare@gmail.com

For Appts: 547-3442

Emergency assist: Call Police at 547-2525

## OTHER DEPARTMENTS

### DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

#### Roads Division Manager:

Todd Mason Tel: 547-3504

Email: greenfield.nh.dpw@myfairpoint.net

#### Buildings & Grounds Division Manager:

Rick McQuade Tel: 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

Thursday 11:00am to 6:00pm

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

Please call the Town Office for information

Tel: 547-3442

## OTHER CONTACTS

### BUDGET COMMITTEE

Meetings as needed

Doug Batty - Tel: 903-2085

### CEMETERY TRUSTEES

Chair: Gil Bliss Tel: 547-3606

### TOWN MODERATOR

Gil Bliss Tel: 547-3606

### TRUSTEES OF THE TRUST FUNDS

Chair: Ken Paulsen Tel: 547-2180

### SCHOOL BOARD REP:

Myron Steere Tel: 547-3332

### TOWN FORESTER

NH Licensed Forester

Karla Allen Tel: 662-5646

Email: karla@garlandlumber.net

### GREENFIELD U.S. POST OFFICE

Open Hrs: 8-11:30am & 1-5pm, Sat. 8-12pm

Tel: 547-3310

## EMERGENCIES

# DIAL 911

**POLICE/FIRE/AMBULANCE**

DIAL 911 or 352-1100

## FIRE & POLICE

### FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Chief: Tel: 547-3501

Station hrs: Mon. 9-12, Thurs. by appt.

Emergency Dispatch: Tel: 352-1100 or 911

Email: chiefdavidhall@greenfieldfire.org

Business Mtg. 1st Mon. of month at 6:30pm

### FIRE BURN PERMITS

To obtain a Fire Permit

Please call one of the following:

### FIRE WARDENS & TEL NUMBERS

Eugene Hennessy, Fire Warden 718-3936

David Hall, Deputy FW2 547-2222

Jeff LaCourse, Deputy FW3 582-3289

Michael Borden, Deputy FW 4 547-0437

Chaz Babb, Deputy FW 5 562-0545

### POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief: Brian Giammarino

Office: Tel: 547-2535 Dispatch: 547-2525

Email: greenfieldnhpolice@myfairpoint.net



## The Greenfield Spirit

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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  
DPW ROADS DIVISION**

**“WINTER TIME”  
PLEASE LOOK AT YOUR TIRES**

Please help give the DPW a fighting chance this year! Many times we get called out for vehicles off the road or can't make it up the hills because their tires are bad or bald.

We are getting the trucks ready for plowing and have once again hired Kurt Atherton for our part time winter plow truck driver.

We always try our best to keep up with the plowing but winter is a rough time at the DPW. Trucks and machinery break down and sometimes we might be short handed because of the flu or colds from the bad weather and long hours that we work.

Winter sand mixed with light salt will be at the entrance to the DPW/RECYCLING CENTER and can be picked up 24/7. We work Monday thru Friday 6:00 (am) to 2:30 (pm) but we are on call 24/7. If you need us after hours please call the Greenfield police at 547-2525 or 547-2535. They can get in touch with us 24/7.

Thank you!  
DPW Road Manager Todd Mason and the Crew!

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**WINTER PARKING BAN**

By order of the Board of Selectmen, the Town of Greenfield in accordance with Town Ordinance Chapter 1, Section 4, as well as, RSA 105, Sections 6-7-8, **no vehicle shall be left standing on any street in said Greenfield between the hours of 11:00 PM and 6:00 AM.** Effective, November 1, 2018 - April 1, 2019. This is to allow plowing of the streets during snowstorms.

*Per order of the  
Greenfield Selectboard*

**PUBLIC NOTICE**  
**ROAD CLOSURE**

Following consultation with, and consent from, the State Division of Forests and Lands, the Town of Greenfield will be closing the southern access to Oak Park from Route 136 (across the street from Knotwood Drive) in the interest of public safety. Access to Oak Park will still be available from Forest Road both through the main entrance and the eastern most entrance across from the State Park entrance. The closure will take place as soon as the Greenfield DPW can develop appropriate signage and deliver barriers to the site.

*Greenfield Selectboard*

**2019 OPENINGS FOR TOWN OFFICIALS  
SIGN-UP NOTICE**

Any registered voter desiring to file as a candidate for one of the following offices to be voted on at the 2019 Annual Meeting to be held on March 12, 2019 must file at the office of the Town Clerk.

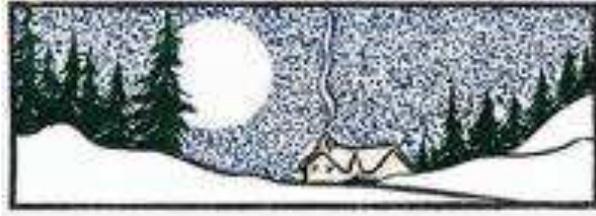
**CANDIDATES MUST SIGN UP TO BE  
ON THE BALLOT**

**DURING THE FILING PERIOD:  
from January 23, 2019 to February 1, 2019  
at the Town Office.**

Regular Town Clerk office hours:  
Mon. 4-7 pm; Weds. 1-7 pm; Thurs. 4-7 pm;  
**PLUS** Friday, February 1st from 3-5 pm.

**ANY REGISTERED VOTER MAY SIGN  
UP TO RUN FOR ANY OFFICE**

Budget Committee	(2)	3 year term
Budget Committee	(1)	2 year term
Budget Committee	(2)	1 year term
Cemetery Trustee		3 year term
Library Trustee		3 year term
Planning Board	(2)	3 year term
Planning Board	(1)	2 year term
Planning Board	(1)	1 year term
Selectboard		3 year term
Trustee of Trust Funds		3 year term



# LET IT SNOW !

December 9, 2018 from 1 - 4 PM  
Greenfield Historical Society Museum  
A fun family event Free admission

- \* displays of snow motif collectibles
- \* holiday treat bake sale
- \* themed raffles/ silent auction
- \* holiday craft
- \* gingerbread house contest
- \* light refreshments
- \* **LOTS OF GOOD CHEER**

For information : 547-3339 or 547-2198



## FIRE CHIEF'S FAREWELL

On December 30, 2018 I will be stepping down from my position as Greenfield Fire Chief. I have been the Fire Chief since 2014 when I was asked to return to the department to serve in that capacity. I had retired several years earlier from the Deputy Chief's position. At the time I accepted the Chief's job, I told the Selectboard that I would only be able to take the Chief's position for two years. It has been over four.

It has been a great honor to lead this department for the last four years. This department is comprised of some of the finest and most dedicated firefighters and EMTs that I have ever worked with... the Greenfield Fire Department is truly a highly professional department. Together we have moved this department forward and made many improvements. We purchased a used ladder truck, ambulance, and brush truck, saving the town tens of thousands of dollars while greatly improving our fire and rescue capabilities. Next month, we will be receiving our first new fire truck in almost twenty years. We have brought our turnout gear up to date, purchased a washer and dryer to keep it clean and protect us from carcinogens, and received a federal grant to install an exhaust collection system. We are on track to build our new training building next spring. These are some of the many improvements we have made over the last four years. We have trained frequently and vigorously to improve our skills. I would like to think that I leave GFD a better place than I found it... I certainly have made every effort towards that end. I'm stepping down in the hope that the incoming Chief will take this department to the next level, I will do whatever I can to help make that happen.

I am leaving for several reasons. For the last four years, the Chief's job has been pretty much all consuming. There was so much to do that I have not been able to put the time and energy into my Fire and EMS training business that I really should have. I am also at retirement age and would like to spend more time with my family. This is my thirty-third year in public safety. Like all public safety workers, I have missed many holidays, birthdays and other milestones with my wife and children. Countless meals and social events have been interrupted by emergency calls. I'm happy to have done it, but now it's time for change. Sadly, this was brought even more sharply into focus this past spring when my oldest son passed away.

I also want to thank the many, many residents who have encouraged me along the way, through this sometimes turbulent period of change and improvement... thank you for taking the time to reach out to me, it is most appreciated!

Thank you,  
*David Hall, Fire Chief*

## WINTER GREETINGS FROM THE GREENFIELD WELFARE DEPT.

We hope you and your families are enjoying the smell of freshly baked pies, hearing the sounds of the holiday season and staying safe and warm as winter comes upon us.

**THANK YOU'S:** We would like to send out a heartfelt thank you to the GIVers, Devine Mercy Parish, Greenfield Congregational Church, Open Cupboard Food Pantry, and generous patrons for their wonderful donations they extend to children and families in need throughout the year.

As the holidays approach we would like to reach out to the community in request of donations that help to support families throughout the holiday season. Donations that are most helpful include but are not limited to: gift cards to local grocery stores for food, gas cards and clothing store gift cards. If you would like to provide a donation please contact Leah Conway Welfare director via cell phone 603-547-0998 or during normal business hours at the town office Tuesdays 5-7 pm at 547-3442 or you can drop them off at the town office in c/o Leah Conway Monday through Thursday 9-5 pm or Tuesdays 5-7 pm. As always we appreciate your support of these children and families.

As you may know the Town Welfare Office provides emergency, temporary support to families in need throughout the year. We do our best to keep our local residents in their homes and return to self-sufficiency by providing them with any needed or necessary supports as well as identifying other resources that may be available to them throughout NH.

### **HOURS OF OPERATION:**

Welfare hours are Tuesdays from 5 p.m. – 7p.m. or by special appointment as needed.

### **DID YOU KNOW?**

#### **AREA RESOURCES AND CONTACTS**

Calling 211 can connect you to many different agencies and resources that can provide assistance to children and families in need.

### **GENERAL INFORMATION:**

2-1-1 (STATE WIDE REFERRAL SOURCE)  
RIVER CENTER: 924-6800  
AMERICAN RED CROSS: 1-800-244-2214  
SNHS: 924-2243

### **AIDS:**

1-800-342-2437 (NATIONAL HOTLINE)  
AIDS SERVICES OF THE MONADNOCK REGION:  
357-6855 (TESTING)

### **ALCOHOL AND DRUGS:**

AA: 1-800-593-3330  
MONADNOCK REGION SUBSTANCE ABUSE SERVICES 603-924-7236

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**PHOENIX HOUSE**  
ADULTS AND ADOLESCENTS:  
603-563-8501  
ADULTS SHORT TERM RESIDENTIAL: 603-358-4041  
ADOLESCENT OUTPATIENT AND ASSESSMENT: 603-358-5035  
CREATING POSITIVE CHANGE:  
924-4981.cpcnh.org (prevention services for kids)

**CHILDREN'S HEALTH:**  
NH HEALTHY KIDS:  
1-877-464-2447, 924-7191 X1142  
MONADNOCK REGIONAL PEDIATRICS: 924-7101  
CMRC: 547-3311  
BUREAU OF SPECIAL MEDICAL SERVICES (NH): 1-800-852-3345  
VISION AND HEARING NETWORK (NH) 226-2900

**DHHS:**  
ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES:  
1-800-624-9700  
CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES:  
1-800-624-9700  
FOOD STAMPS/TANF/APTD:  
357-3510

**DISABILITY SERVICES:**  
EASTER SEALS NH:  
1-800-307-2737  
MONADNOCK DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES: 924-4203  
DISABILITY RIGHTS COMMISSION: 1-800-834-1721  
NATIONAL ALLIANCE FOR THE MENTALLY ILL: 924-6540  
VOCATIONAL REHAB:  
357-0266, ACCESS 924-7006

**EMPLOYMENT SERVICES:**  
NH DEPT. EMPLOYMENT SECURITY:  
352-1904. [www.nh.gov/nhes](http://www.nh.gov/nhes) (can apply for benefits on line)  
RIVER CENTER, 9 VOSE FARM ROAD, STE 110 PETERBOROUGH NH 603-924-6800

**FAMILY SUPPORT:**  
SNHS FAMILY SUPPORT: 924-9601  
FAMILY RESOURCE CONNECTION (SPECIAL NEEDS): 1-800-298-4321. [www.state.nh.us/nhsl/frc](http://www.state.nh.us/nhsl/frc)  
RIVER CENTER, 9 VOSE FARM ROAD, STE 110 PETERBOROUGH NH 603-924-6800

**FOOD AND FOOD PANTRIES:**  
ANTRIM/BENNINGTON: ANTRIM BAPTIST CHURCH 588-6614 (SAT 10-NOON AND BY APPOINTMENT)

GREENFIELD: 547-3626

OPEN CUPBOARD WILTON NH BY APPT. CALL: - Linda at 654-2635, Nancy at 654-9387, or Deb at 654-6547.

SOUTH MEADOW FOOD PANTRY  
CALL: 924-7503

PETERBOROUGH FOOD PANTRY:  
Peterborough Community Center.  
Hours: Monday - Friday 9:00am - 12:00 pm Serving residents from ConVal, Jaffrey-Rindge, and Mascenic school districts.

ANGEL FOOD MINISTRIES:  
[www.angelfoodministries.com](http://www.angelfoodministries.com)

MONADNOCK AREA FOOD BANK: EPISCOPAL CHURCH, PETERBORO, M-T-SA, 10-NOON

**COMMUNITY SUPPERS:**  
M-PETERBORO CONGO 5:30-6:30.  
TU-PETERBORO ALL SAINTS 5:30-6:30,  
W-PETERBORO UUC 5:30-6:30,  
TH-1ST THURS IN FRANCES-TOWN,  
2ND BENNINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL,  
3RD ANTRIM PRESBYTERIAN,  
4TH HANCOCK CONGO,  
ALL@5:30.

KEENE COMMUNITY KITCHEN:  
WED AND THURSDAY FOOD PICKUPS AFTER NOON AND HOT MEALS M-F, 5-6:30. 352-3200

**FUEL ASSISTANCE:**  
SNHS 924-2243

**HOUSING:**  
NEW HAMPSHIRE HOUSING FINANCE AUTHORITY:  
1-800-640-7239  
CONTOOCOOK HOUSING TRUST:  
878-1247  
HEATHERBROOK APTS 924-9707  
ROCKBROOK APTS: 641-2163

**LEGAL SERVICE:**  
LAWLINE NH: 1-800-868-1212 (legal advice available 2nd Wednesday monthly from 6-8 PM)  
OFFICE OF CHILD SUPPORT SERVICES: 1-800-624-9700  
LEGAL ADVICE AND REFERRAL: 1-800-639-5290  
LEGAL ASSISTANCE:  
1-800-517-0577 (NASHUA),  
1-800-562-3174 (MANCH)  
NHPD: 357-4891

**MEDICAL CARE:**  
MONADNOCK COMMUNITY HOSPITAL 924-7191  
CHESHIRE DARTMOUTH HITCHCOCK 354-5400  
MEDICATION ASSISTANCE:  
@MCH: 924-1794

**MENTAL HEALTH:**  
MONADNOCK FAMILY SERVICES: 357-4400  
MAPS COUNSELING SERVICES: 924-2240  
MONADNOCK BEHAVIORAL HEALTH: 924-4690

**SHELTER:**  
HOMELESS OUTREACH (SWCS): 1-800-529-0005 X 243  
MATS: 924-5033  
NH HOMELESS HOTLINE:  
1-800-852-3388  
SHELTER FROM THE STORM:  
532-8222  
UC JAFFREY EMERGENCY SHELTER: 532-7047

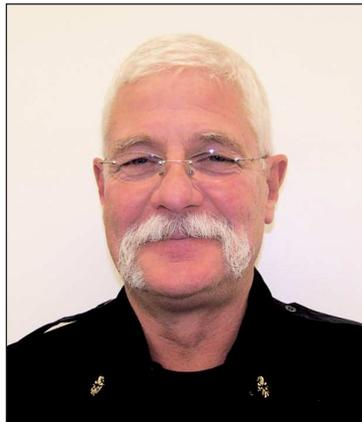
**VIOLENCE PREVENTION:**  
MONADNOCK CENTER FOR VIOLENCE PREVENTION:  
1-888-511-6287

Thank you,  
Have a safe, fun winter and holiday season

Leah Conway, Welfare Director



**Hear Ye, Citizens of Greenfield!**  
**THE GIVers HEREBY INVITE YOU ONE AND ALL**  
**TO AN INFORMAL PUBLIC RECEPTION**  
**FOR OUR OUTGOING FIRE CHIEF**  
**DAVID HALL**



**David is retiring from the Chief's position on Dec 30. So, before he leaves, please join us to greet him and show our appreciation of his outstanding leadership and accomplishments.**

**WHERE:** GREENFIELD MEETING HOUSE

**WHEN:** SATURDAY, DECEMBER 29

**TIME:** 3 PM TO 6 PM

**DRESS:** INFORMAL- JUST COME AS YOU ARE

**NOTE:** FINGER FOOD & REFRESHMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED

# STEPHENSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Beverly Pietlicki, Director

Library Contact: 547-2790, [director@stephensonlibrary.org](mailto: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.



**NEW EXHIBIT!** Lynn Forsyth owner of “Tranquility Place Photography” presents “Wild Birds in their Natural Habitats.” Lynn has been a Greenfield resident for over 30 years. Moving to Greenfield was her inspiration for joining

the Monadnock Camera Club where she has been a member since 1986. Lynn is a retired elementary School Teacher who loves photographing birds in their natural habitats and in captivity. The 15 photos on exhibit at the library include: owls, falcons, herons and hawks. She also has three beautiful photographs of backyard birds from her house in Greenfield.



**NEW:**  
**TEEN GAME Night at the Library**  
Third Thursdays from 7-8 pm  
Starting December 20th  
Teens take over the Wensburg room, to socialize, play games, watch movies, and learn what’s new at the

library! Open to kids 10 and up.



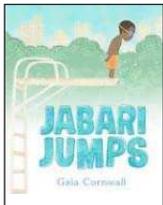
**Get Smitten with Reading.**

**Earn your mittens, so  
“you can have your pie!”  
Registration for Winter**



**Reading will begin December 18th.**

Stephenson Memorial Library will be hosting another fun fantastical Winter Reading Program. This program will begin on January 8th and will continue through until the Finale on March 10th



**The Ladybug Book Club** for grades Kindergarten through 2nd grade officially began in October with “Bunny’s Book Club.” On **December 14 th at 3:45 pm**, Ms. Julie will discuss “Jabari Jumps” by Gaia



Cornwall. Please come to the library and sign your child up so Ms. Julie knows how many books to order! January’s title will be “Charlotte the Scientist is Squished” by Camille Andros and Brianne Farley.

### **Puma Bound Book Club – January 25th at 3:45**

The new Puma Bound Book club for 3rd and 4th graders meets the fourth Friday of every month. Children may take the bus from GES to the library. Our next meeting will be on January 25th at 3:45 and our book selection is “**James and the Giant Peach**” by Roald Dahl. Read about James’ adventure with a centipede, ladybug, and a grasshopper.

**Krosslink meeting December 8 at 10:45 am. Guest speaker, Christine Halvorson will talk about the importance of using social media to promote your business.**

### **ONGOING PROGRAM SCHEDULE:**

**Wednesdays 11:00 am - Preschool through Kindergarten – Story hour** resumed on September 6th - Each week will feature an exciting storytime adventure with a craft and snack included.

**Thursdays from 3:30 - 5:00 pm** – First grade and up please sign up for after school maker programs/story writing workshops

**Krosslink Business Networking -2nd Saturdays from 10:45-12:00**

**Great Stone Face** readers for upper elementary and early middle school aged children. Read three GSF titles, write your own review, and rate your books! Participants meet in the spring for a pizza party!

**Night Readers Book Club** - Facilitated by Jean Rainier meets the last Wednesday of the month from 7:00 to 8 Pm Come for a lively discussion about a contemporary mix of fiction and non- fiction selections!



**Welcome New Hampshire author,  
Dan Szczesny, Wednesday,  
December 12th 7 pm**

Meet the Author Event. New Hampshire resident, journalist, author and avid mountaineer writes about his year researching, engulfing himself in the history and culture of New England’s highest, most mythical and legendary peak. Driven by

passion, the writing of this book was sponsored by New Hampshire home grown businesses and associations such as The Hippo, Keith Spiro Media, The Cozy Tea Cart and the Manchester Historic Association and has received positive reviews from the New Hampshire Writing Community. Dan’s writing is personal, reflective, immediate and gratifying. Guests will not be disappointed with his presentation. Books will be available for sale and signing.

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Contact the library for a copy of a specific title for one of these clubs and join in the fun.

**Adult Crafternoon – Every Friday 3 - 5 pm**

**Click Clack Knitters – Every Thursday 3:30 – 5 pm**

**Friends of Library – Third Thursdays of the month**

**Writers' Group - Every Thursday from 2-4 pm in the Wensberg Room**

**Greenfield Water Color Collaborative – Wednesdays at 6:30 pm**

Feel free to call the library at 547-2790 or email Beverly Pietlicki, Director at [director@stephensonlibrary.org](mailto:director@stephensonlibrary.org) with any questions about services or upcoming programs.



**FROM THE  
RECYCLING CENTER**

Lights, camera, and action - the holiday season has arrived! We have all sorts of gatherings and parties to go to which will create more trash than normal as well as an increase of recyclables. The holiday festivities and the weather will test your commitment to recycling. Your efforts are always evident in the increase of materials for recycling we receive during the holidays. When we are orienting new residents or visitors, we proudly boast about your hard work. As we show off the bales of materials, your dedication and loyalty is obvious, which always impresses and motivates the newbie.

We continue to cope with the volatile markets but again due to your perseverance to do "the right thing" in "the right way" we are rewarded with the best pricing possible.

Occasionally you will have items that require special attention, therefore please remember the policy of "QUESTIONS?-JUST ASK". We deeply appreciate your cooperation in letting us do all we can to facilitate your visit in a timely manner.

We appreciate all the help offered by everyone throughout the year but we would especially like to extend our deepest gratitude to Todd and the DPW crew and Rick from the Building/Grounds Dept. for all their help and attention to the Recycling Center this past year. Thank you to everyone!

**HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE (HHW):** Collections will start up again in the March. We cannot accept HHW but will always answer any questions you have at any time of the year.

**PERMANENT HOURS: Tuesday 8am - 4pm, Thursday 11am - 6pm, Saturday 8am - 4pm**

Please arrive 15 minutes before closing to allow time to process your load.

**WINTER WEATHER ALERT:** When a nor'easter is on the way or has hit, with the permission of the Selectboard, the Recycling Center will be closed. We value the safety of everyone who comes to the Recycling Center therefore we strive to provide a snow and ice free area. Since we rely on the DPW for storm support, we can not impose upon them to keep the Recycling Center campus cleared. The first and foremost commitment of the DPW is to keep the roads throughout the town clear and safe. We completely support that strategy and realize the priority of trash is on the bottom of the list. The closing will be posted on WMUR showing at 15 and 45 minutes past the hour. The closing will also appear on the websites for WMUR and Greenfield plus postings will also be at several locations in town. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause you. We will reopen on the next scheduled open operating day.

**TAKE NOTICE:** We would like to thank all of you for your patience and understanding throughout the staining process of the building. I must pass along our amazement and pleasure about a recent revelation. We often thought the recycling examples were not providing any use to you but we now know you use them constantly. Now that the first coat of stain on the building is completed, a new set of examples will be created and installed shortly.

Recently the storage bin for the glass, which is across the driveway from the building, has been relocated and enlarged by Todd and the DPW crew to provide more storage plus a cleaner and easier loading option.

We are very pleased that the new recent changes in glass requirements are going very well. It seems that almost all the glass is bottles and jars. This is good news.

The Mini Mall and Library are closing at dusk. Please be aware of this practice as the days get shorter.

Immediately after the release of the last Spirit, we were notified of a change in the requirements for the aluminum cans. Now, we must only accept beverage cans in the aluminum can window. Other aluminum items such as pet food cans, foil, and aluminum throw away pie/food pans will now be recycled with the steel cans. New beverage cans can be manufactured from aluminum beverage cans **but** only if no other type of aluminum is in with the beverage cans. We will receive more revenues as a result of following the requirements and having only aluminum beverage cans in a bale.

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Please rinse all recycled containers. Remember, we handle every item deposited for recycling. Potential hazards to our safety are unrinsed containers containing Clorox, drain cleaners, windshield washer, antifreeze and pool chemicals to name a few. If you have an empty plastic jug that had contained a hazardous material such as insecticides, animal insect treatment, lawn treatment or fertilizer, gas additive, or fuel for lamps/torches - please place these it in the trash.

With the cold weather in mind please do what you can to have your recyclables sorted at home. Reducing the time the windows are opened to the weather will help us keep our heating costs down which in turn saves you money.

REMINDERS:

- All trash must be in bags and tied closed. Thank You for your valuable cooperation with this issue. This prevents littering the campus as well as trash blowing into the face of a bystander.
- All items for the Metal container, Brush pile, Mini Mall, and Library must be checked.
- Please remember children frequent the Mini Mall and Library. No sharp items, broken glass or other harmful items should be in the reach of a child.
- Demolition & Construction debris/ Bulky Waste, Electronics, Tires, Air conditioners/Refrigerators/Dehumidifiers, appliances, furnaces and water tanks. ALL have FEES applied. Remember, you must also provide your own muscle power to unload heavy items.
- New or used Oils: Vegetable/Nut plus Motor, Hydraulic, Transmission, Crankcase, and clean Diesel Fuel are accepted. Requirements are posted in the collection area. Thank you for your contributions. If in doubt – just ask.
- Mixed Paper - Review of the "NO'S": No wet paper is permitted, plastic bags/wrappers, plastic lined paper bags, Kleenex, paper towels or paper plates (clean or not), or waxed containers such as milk/juice or ice cream cartons. If in doubt - just ask.
- Corrugated cardboard - IF IT HAS RIDGES IT IS CORROGATED. NO pizza box inserts or greasy box bottoms and all packing materials must be removed. We cannot process wet cardboard and it cannot go in the mixed paper.

Have safe and Happy Holidays, and a Happy New Year!

Carol Burgess and the Recycling Center Staff.



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## MEETING HOUSE RAILING REPAIRS

The two outside railings at the Meeting House were in pretty rough shape. The left side had been hit a few times and broke off over the winter of 2017, and the right side had been partially repaired, I think just to hold it in place until final repairs could be made. The railings on the left, if you're looking at the building, sticks out a bit into the driveway as you make your turn around the front of the building. I'm sure this is one of the reasons it was hit. When I first looked into making the repairs to the railing, I thought it might be a little beyond my skill level but, after some research, I determined the best way to tackle this project and the steps to take.



The railing on the left, because it has been hit was a bit wrinkled. This railing was taken back to the DPW and with help from Hazen and Jim, was heated with the torch, straightened out, the broken joints welded, and was given a fresh coat of paint. The repairs for both sides were the same. Using a hammer drill, the concrete was chipped out on the ends where the railings attach. The old concrete was pinned with 1/2" rebar on three sides to hold the new concrete repair in place. A form was built around the existing concrete stairs to form up the repair area, and a concrete bonding agent applied to the old concrete to the new concrete. Once poured, two-by-four lumber were used to support the railing and hold everything in place until it cured.



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One other area of concern with the walkway was addressed at the same time the railing repairs project was taking place. Right where the handicapped ramp from the parking lot intersects between the two stairs, a large gap had opened making wheel chair accessibility tough. A 6" strip of pavement was saw-cut out and new asphalt put in place to make a nice smooth transition. This will help us to keep in compliance with ADA and keep the Meeting House accessible.



Thank you  
Rick McQuade  
Building & Grounds Manager

**GREENFIELD'S  
EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT TEAM**



More from the  
"doom and disaster" folks...

**DID YOU KNOW.....**

....that your pets could be in more danger than you in a sudden emergency or disaster?

Take for example Soshe, a small Maltese dog, living in a home in Burgaw, NC. When Hurricane Florence hit NC this year, Soshe was stranded for almost a week before being rescued. Even with his owner's repeated calls asking for a rescue, the home was not located for almost a week, when the waters receded, allowing the rescue team to see the house number for the correct home. He was found barking his little heart out, sitting on a couch, which was floating in 6 feet of water. You can see a video of his rescue on line ... <https://www.wmur.com/article/its-amazing-shes-alive-humane-society-rescues-dog-trapped-for-days-in-florence-floodwaters/23461250>

Sooooo lucky that he was able to perch on an item of furniture that floated and kept him from drowning. So lucky he was found in time...

Many of our beloved animals are left alone at home for multiple reasons that are every day occurrences. Flooding is not the only danger. The question is as a pet/animal owner, are you prepared for a disaster?

Do you have a kit/plan in place that contains:

- Documentation of required shots (your pet will not be allowed into a shelter without proof)
- A picture of your pet (preferably one with you in it)

- Ownership papers if applicable
- Food/crate/blanket/leash/toys/treats (cat owners, this applies to you too.)
- Medications (prescriptions)
- Name of your veterinarian's office and its phone number. If a dog, dog tags (also one with its name on it)
- If a large animal (s), transportation and destination options. A neighbor or friend who could get your animal(s) if you cannot.
- If your pet is insured, proof of insurance

The emergency management team is aware that a town plan and an owner's plan needs to be in place for our pets and domestic animals before a crisis happens. We need a concerned group of towns people who are knowledgeable, and interested enough, to create the town plan to ensure that we don't lose any of these animals who are dependent on us for their lives.

Please join us and help create a comprehensive response plan for our town. If interested in participating, call DEMD Diane Boilard at 547-6662

**SPIRIT DEADLINES**

**January 1st for Feb/Mar Issue**

March 1st for the Apr/May Issue

May 1st for the Jun/Jul Issue

July 1st for the Aug/Sep Issue

September 1st for the Oct/Nov Issue

November 1st for the Dec/Jan Issue

## GREENFIELD CHURCH HELPS TO RAISE MONEY FOR THE HOMELESS ANIMALS OF MONADNOCK HUMANE SOCIETY

The Greenfield Congregational Covenant Church recently participated in Monadnock Humane Society's 30th Annual Walk for Animals held at the MHS location in Swanzey, NH on Saturday, October 13. Their team, "All God's Critters," was the only church team out of 26 teams. They came in third place as top fundraisers for animals – raising over \$1,300 in total for the animals.



Andrea Blacklock with her dog, Simon, adopted from MHS

Andrea Blacklock, a Greenfield Church member who also serves on the leadership committee, was excited to participate in this event. She said that "MHS holds a special place in my heart because I recently adopted my dog, Simon, from there. Simon is my trusted companion and friend who is always there for me, and provides me with unconditional love. I wanted to support an organization that gives pets like Simon a second chance at happiness, and also provides an opportunity for them to give love to their people. It's a mutually beneficial relationship."

Carol Laughner, also a Greenfield Church member and long-time resident of Greenfield, has always been inspired by the pets in her life. She noticed how many others in the church were pet owners and so she suggested the idea of a team. "Our pets are such a gift from God...they love us unconditionally." She added that "the experience of pet adoption is a loving gesture with so many rewards for both the pet and the person." Carol and her husband Vinoy have adopted several pets from MHS over the past decade – most recently Sophie, a 14 year old dachshund whose owner became ill and could no longer care for her.



Carol Laughner with her two dogs, Luna and Sophie, both MHS alum

Andrea was pleased to be able to lead the parade at the Walk. Despite the rainy weather, turnout for the Walk was great and support and spirit for the mission of MHS was high. Over \$45,000 was raised to support the care of the animals. For more information about MHS – their website is [monadnockhumanesociety.org](http://monadnockhumanesociety.org).

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# Christmas Tree Safety



As you deck the halls this holiday season, be fire smart. A small fire that spreads to a Christmas tree can grow large very quickly.



## PICKING THE TREE

- Choose a tree with fresh, green needles that do not fall off when touched.



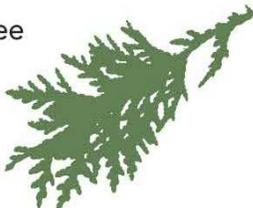
## PLACING THE TREE

- Before placing the tree in the stand, cut 2" from the base of the trunk.
- Make sure the tree is at least three feet away from any heat source, like fireplaces, radiators, candles, heat vents or lights.
- Make sure the tree is not blocking an exit.
- Add water to the tree stand. Be sure to add water daily.



## LIGHTING THE TREE

- Use lights that are listed by a qualified testing laboratory. Some lights are only for indoor or outdoor use.
- Replace any string of lights with worn or broken cords or loose bulb connections. Read manufacturer's instructions for number of light strands to connect.
- Never use lit candles to decorate the tree.
- Always turn off Christmas tree lights before leaving home or going to bed.



## After Christmas

Get rid of the tree after Christmas or when it is dry. Dried-out trees are a fire danger and should not be left in the home or garage, or placed outside against the home.

Check with your local community to find a recycling program.

Bring outdoor electrical lights inside after the holidays to prevent hazards and make them last longer.

## FACTS

- ! **One quarter** of home Christmas tree fires are caused by electrical problems.
- ! Although Christmas tree fires are not common, when they do occur, they are more likely to be serious.
- ! A heat source too close to the tree causes roughly **one in every four** of the fires.

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## HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWS

### THE PLACE TO BE - OTTER LAKE PARK

By Lenny Cornwell

Sometime, during the 1890s, Pollard Pond had its name changed back to Otter Lake. Most likely, this was deemed a more enticing name for a tourist attraction in our town. The tourist business in New Hampshire was booming, and Greenfield, with grand plans, wanted in on the action.

C.S. and G.S. Peavey were enterprising men and Otter Lake Park was a major project for them. Owning 1,200 acres on the north side of Otter Lake, they decided to make a summer destination area on 100 acres of the land there. The Boston and Maine Railroad was nearby and already included a siding on the western shore of the lake, and could easily be extended to the north side. The possibility of a rail station soon to be constructed on the western side loomed as well.

By the spring of 1892, trees had been felled during the earlier winter months. A road off the Bennington Road was built and extensive underbrush cut as land clearing was undertaken. A citizens' bee to clear more ground and dispose of the logs was organized. The "Fair Ones" of this town, it was hoped, would provide the "toilers" with baked beans, brown bread, and doughnuts. A flag raising and basket picnic was scheduled for June 17th at Otter Lake Park.

Mention of a steamboat on the lake was made in 1892. Also, there was conjecture about a possible race of a birch bark canoe paddled by an Indian maiden against a man in a "modern" wooden shell craft. (At the Museum, there is a photograph of the "Indian maiden"; the mystery surrounding it is solved by this bit of information.)

The Fourth of July, 1892, celebration concluded with fireworks and a "burning" of a village on shore by shelling from gunboats on the lake. Eventually, the boats burned up themselves and fell into the lake.

Otter Lake Park had several points of interest including a new roadway to Paradise Groves, located some seventy feet above the lake near Forest Glen. Within Forest Glen were Trappers' Caves and a spring. Just to the north of this was Monument Park. A Columbian Monument in honor of pioneers and patriots was to be set there and dedicated on October 12, 1892, by the public schools. Breezy Point was another popular spot. Where would we find these spots today? No map of the Park has been found.

The road into Otter Lake Park was about two miles from the village, up on the road to Bennington near the residence of Henry Holt. A nice gate with an arch over it had been erected. Rights of way had been secured for a landing on the water to serve as a steamer landing.

A boarding house, FOREST HOME, was built and George Mansfield, the railroad builder, resided and entertained there in Otter Lake Park. In the fall, Fred Duncklee and a couple of guests managed to catch sixty trout from Beaver Creek, the

waterway that feeds into Otter Lake. They took the catch to FOREST HOME to cook up for themselves and the Forest Home guests.

The busy 1892 season wound down in mid - September. A large picnic was held at Otter Lake Park. School had not yet started (The opening day that year was September 12th.), so the children enjoyed a final, end-of-summer romp. The Appleton Orchestra of Peterborough furnished music on the piazza of Forest Home. The town's cornet band played later. An address was given from the new pavilion about a John B. Gough.

Boat races were held as were balloon races. The balloon races ended in disaster with both balloons burning up and plummeting into the lake. The cornet band played from Monument Park during the races. As the moon came up, young couples danced in the pavilion, a part of which extended over the water. The dancing continued until midnight. Thus ended the festival of Greenfield's "newest" enterprise.

It was also noted that the new concrete sidewalk and retaining wall along Depot Street made a pleasant walkway and welcome to visitors from the train depot to the "downtown" area. A section of sidewalk, already built in 1892, ran down Forest Road to where it turned along Slip Road and ended across from Depot Street.

Information acquired from the Peterborough Transcript editions of 1892 and available in the GHS Museum archives.

### GHS EVENTS

Despite the raw, inclement weather of October 13, 2018, the annual Railroad Show was a success. Between 15-18 motorcars lined the tracks across from the Museum. An unusual sight nowadays for sure.

A few snowflakes drifting down would be most welcome as the GHS hosts its annual holiday event, "LET IT SNOW !" on Sunday, December 9th from 1-4 PM at the Museum. This early holiday event has become a fun, non-stressful way for the whole family to enjoy some relaxed holiday spirit.

### CONTACTS

To reach us: ( by e-mail ) [ghssociety@myfairpoint.net](mailto:ghssociety@myfairpoint.net)

(by Facebook) [www.facebook.com/GreenfieldHS](http://www.facebook.com/GreenfieldHS)

For membership information: Call Bruce at 547-3451.

To underwrite our internet service: Contact Dale at 547-3377.

To make a year-end donation: Speak with Amy at 547-3339.

To donate while shopping with Amazon: Click onto the Amazon Smiles program and designate the Greenfield Historical Society as a beneficiary.

To visit the museum: Drop in on the last Saturday of the month, with the exception of December, between 10 and noon, or call Lenny at 547-2198 to arrange another time to visit.

To undertake family genealogy research from the comfort of your home: Use your library card and access the Heritage Quest program provided to the library through the generosity of a GHS benefactor.



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## WINTER BIRD FEEDING

by Emma Erler, Extension Program Coordinator

If you're like me, you love to set out feeders in the backyard for our non-migratory songbirds. Watching birds come to feeders is a lot of fun - paying attention to which species are visiting the feeders, how they interact with each other, and what their preferred foods are. For this reason, people have been feeding birds for well over a hundred years. Today, it is so common there are stores entirely devoted to selling birdfeed, feeders, and other supplies.

Outside of our own enjoyment, why feed the birds at all? Can't the wild birds find enough food to survive on their own without us? After all, they made a go of it for millennia before people started to set out birdfeeders.

Perhaps the best reason for feeding birds is that it is an entertaining way to learn about birds and connect with the natural world. Sure, most of the songbirds in the wild would do just fine without us, but in the winter months when natural food is scarce, the birds appreciate a little extra food, particularly if it is high quality and nutritious. The food supplied at birdfeeders is only a supplement; we are simply making survival a little easier for them. In terms of having the greatest impact, the most critical time to feed birds is in the wintertime, especially late in the season. By the end of winter many natural food sources are exhausted or else unavailable, deeply buried in the snow. Non-migratory birds set up their feeding territories before the winter. According to NH Fish and Game, bird feeders can be out from December 1 to April 1 to avoid problems with bears. It may take a while for birds to locate feeders and be drawn away from natural food sources, but cold temperatures and winter storms will bring them in.

### Seasonal Variation

Bird populations fluctuate naturally from year to year, as do the number of birds visiting feeders. Some years chickadees are the most prevalent species at feeders; other years, juncos may be more numerous. The availability of resources has a profound impact both on bird population size and feeder activity. Seasonal growing conditions influence how much natural food is available. Non-migratory songbirds are diverted or drawn to feeders depending on the availability of natural foods. In years that plants produce an exceptional amount of seeds, comparatively few birds visit feeders. The same holds true in reverse.

### What do they eat?

In the summer months, songbirds predominantly consume protein rich insects and spiders. In winter, many non-migratory songbirds must switch to eating seeds and fruit. Not all songbirds will use a backyard feeder, only those that have diets which reflect what we can practically offer them. The key to attracting a variety of species is to offer a variety of different foods. Seeds, grains, nuts, baked goods, suet, and fruit can all be used.

In terms of bringing in the greatest number of species, black oil sunflower seeds are the best. They are nutritious, high in energy, little enough for small birds to crack open, and are utilized by nearly every common birdfeeder species. If you can only offer one food, choose black oil sunflower.

Other common foods enjoyed by various songbirds are white millet, nyjer (thistle seed), safflower seeds, milo, peanuts, peanut hearts and cracked corn. Be careful when purchasing seed mixes. Many of these are full of cheap filler seeds, such as red milo, that very few birds prefer. Creating your own custom mix is a great way to suit the preferences of the birds in your own backyard.

In the wintertime, beef suet is a great choice for attracting woodpeckers and nuthatches and an array of other species. Suet is best used in cold weather, as it will go rancid quickly in warm temperatures. Specially made suet cakes sold specifically for bird feeding can be used year-round. You can find beef suet in the meat department of any supermarket.

### What is the best type of bird feeder?

There are many different types of bird feeders, some of which are better for attracting some species than others. Any feeders that you use should be sturdy, tight enough to keep seeds dry, and simple to disassemble. Hopper feeders are great for larger birds such as blue jays, while tube feeders best serve smaller birds. Tray feeders are perfect for enticing ground feeding birds such as juncos, sparrows, and mourning doves. Suet is usually best served in a mesh bag or wire basket suspended from a pole or attached to a tree. You need not spend money on commercial feeders. Many effective bird feeders can be made at home quite simply. Even a cut out plastic soda or milk bottle can create a functional feeder. Providing a variety of different feeders is a sure way to attract a diversity of species.

To limit waste, only put out as much food as birds can eat in a day. Food that sits out for too long can spoil after exposure to the elements and should be discarded promptly. This is especially important for tray feeders.

### Creating the right habitat

Just as important as supplying quality food is providing a quality habitat to songbirds.

If your yard offers shelter and unfrozen water source, the birds are likely to stay a while. Unfrozen water is especially difficult to find in the winter months. Birds need this for both drinking and bathing. A bird bath consistently filled with clean, fresh

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water and fitted with an immersion style water heater will do just the trick.

- Place feeders close to natural shelter in the form of trees and shrubs.
- Diverse mix of plants-combining deciduous and evergreen trees and shrubs of different ages will mimic the natural landscape.
- If your yard is currently devoid of shelter, a brush pile or an old Christmas tree placed near your feeders can provide it.
- Your feeders should also be easy to see from windows of your home and easy to access and refill.

**Are there any negative impacts to feeding wild birds?**

Feeding birds can expose them to some hazards they might otherwise avoid. The risks of predation by housecats and window strike increase by feeding stations. Disease is another area of concern when it comes to feeding the birds. Poorly maintained feeders can contribute to the spread of diseases. Avoid overcrowding at feeders by spacing a number of feeders apart. Also make sure to regularly clean up piles of spent seed hulls and droppings, and keep food storage containers clean and dry. Galvanized trash bins with tight fitting lids are perfect for storing food and preventing rodents and insects from getting in. Always promptly dispose of wet or spoiled food. It is a good idea to make a habit of cleaning and disinfecting feeders. Use soap and hot water to remove residues of food and droppings, then fully immerse feeders in a solution of one part bleach and nine parts water.

Bird feeders can also attract nuisance wildlife. Squirrels, chipmunks, mice, rats, raccoons, and bears are all liable to consume bird feed and damage feeders. Placing feeders at least 10 feet away from buildings and trees will prevent squirrels and raccoons from jumping or dropping onto feeders. Keep animals from reaching feeders on poles by using physical barriers such as baffles. Feeders that are suspended from trees should have baffles placed above them. Reducing the amount of spilled seed on the ground is a good way to limit the number of rodents foraging under feeders. Black bears pose the greatest threat to birdfeeders. Once a bear discovers a well-stocked bird feeder, it will keep coming back until that food source is eliminated. To limit this risk, take down bird feeders in the spring before bears become active or at the first sign of bear activity.

While wild birds are not entirely dependent on bird feeders, they can become accustomed to accessing this easy food source. If you decide to stop feeding the birds or will be going away for a while, gradually taper off the amount of food you are providing. Starting a large feeding venture and then stopping abruptly when food is scarce in late winter or during periods of extreme weather has the potential to cause harm. Once you've starting feeding the birds, continue until the last of the snow is gone and the buds are beginning to break. ■



**VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

**Budget Committee:** The budget committee is involved in assisting the Selectboard with budgetary planning. For more info, call Doug Batty at 903-2085.

**Conservation Commission:** This committee is involved with the protection of Greenfield's natural resources. If you have an interest in conservation and protecting the natural environment, you may call, Roger Lessard at 547-3204.

**Fire Department:** Greenfield has an all volunteer fire and rescue department. We are very fortunate to have this department in town because if we didn't, these services would have to come from another town resulting in a longer time before they were actually on the scene. For more info, call David Hall at 547-2222.

**GIVers:** The Greenfield Independent Volunteers are a group of interested residents who partner with the town to assist the community to meet its needs such as the wood bank, the community garden, decorating the light poles, keeping flowers watered, raising funds for needed items, and much more. For more info, call David Bridgewater at 547-7556

**Historical Society:** The Historical Society is involved in finding and preserving Greenfield's historical artifacts and in educating the public on Greenfield's history. For more info, call Lenny Cornwell at 547-2198.

**Planning Board:** The planning board upholds and implements the community's development policies through the review and approval of subdivision plats, site plans and special permit applications. Planning boards utilize tools, including master plans, zoning laws, and subdivision regulations to ensure that changes made are for the better. For more info, call Angelique Moon at 547-2820.

**~ SAVE YOURSELF ~  
A TRIP!  
CHECK THE TOWN WEBSITE!**

In many instances, what you are looking for is on the Town Website at:

**[www.greenfield-nh.gov/](http://www.greenfield-nh.gov/)**

See: community events, meeting times and dates, zoning regulations, meeting minutes, public notices, important links to various state offices, and even the Spirit!

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Website Development  
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Fireplaces, Stonewalls, Waterfalls,  
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retaining walls, etc.. Free estimate  
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Home Repair & Improvements  
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New construction & replacement windows  
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Zephyr Lake Road, Greenfield 769-1646

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All types hardwood and tile installed  
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Interior & Exterior; Wallpaper  
30 Yrs Experience  
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Residential/Commercial Paving  
Gravel/Loam Delivery, Light Excavation  
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Specializing in small jobs & home repairs  
Serving N.H. for over 30 years  
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**North Pack Electrical Services, LLC**  
Kyle Fontaine, Master Electrician  
603-547-6683  
northpackelectric@gmail.com

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Service Calls-New Homes-Renovations-Pumps  
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547-2706

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Heating, Cooling & Indoor Air Quality Products  
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Repairs, zippers, heavy materials, custom totes and more...603-831-9708

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### **Emma Stevenson Designs**

emmastevensondesigns@gmail.com  
www.emmastevensondesigns.webs.com

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Mason Parker - Parker and Sons  
Coffee Roasting  
603-784-5597 ~ www.parkerandsoncoffee.com

### **Harvester Market**

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## HOME DECORATING

### **Sarah Sim ~ Interior Design**

color consultation | materials & lighting  
kitchen & bath design | room layout  
562.4644 or sarah.simdesign@gmail.com

## JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

### **Petr Lord, Justice of the Peace**

Personal & Distinctive Weddings  
petrlord@ittledoofarm.com  
547-2526

### **Debra Davidson, Justice of the Peace**

Weddings, Personal  
debdaavidson524@hotmail.com  
547-5588

## LANDSCAPE SERVICES

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Professional Landscape Services  
Snowplowing & Sanding  
562-0485

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Spring & fall clean ups, weekly lawn maintenance and irrigation install and repairs.  
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www.neforestproducts.com

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Music Lessons  
Drums, guitar, Sax and more  
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Music Instruction in Piano and Theory  
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Prompt, courteous service tailored to your specific mortgage goals. 547-5576

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637 Forest Road, Greenfield, NH 03047  
www.allgodscreaturespetsitting.com  
603-831-9640

## PHOTOGRAPHER

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Portrait, Nature, and Much more  
603-566-3825  
ashleyway06@gmail.com/Find us on Facebook

## REALTORS

### **Alyssum Proctor-Russell, Broker**

Proctor & Greene Real Estate  
(603) 801-7485 or  
alyssum@proctorandgreene.com

### **Gail Curtis**

Real Estate Broker  
BH&G/Masiello Group  
547-0649 www.gailcurtis.com

## **Hilda Bridgewater, Realtor**

Helping Home Buyers & Sellers throughout the Monadnock Region. Cell 547- 7163  
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## **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

## SATELLITE

### **Jim Teates TV & Satellite**

PO Box 340 - Greenfield  
603 547-6629 Phone & Fax -  
jttv7147@yahoo.com

### **Joe Brady**

Silver Birch  
Satellite Communications  
547-2841

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for Adults with Autism & Asperger's  
Amy Lowell 547-3339  
www.autismlifecoaching.com

### **Crotched Mountain**

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Autism clinic for children  
547-1430 ~ autism@cmf.org

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It is with mixed emotions that I share the news of my retirement effective December 28, 2018.

I want to thank you all for your kindness throughout the years. While I will miss my home away from home, I look forward to seeing you on the other side of the counter...

It has been a pleasure being part of the Greenfield community for all these years.

Warm Wishes,

Patti

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