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TOWN RECEIVES GRANT FOR CHARRETTE

The Greenfield Planning Board and the Greenfield Selectboard are pleased to announce that the Town of Greenfield had been awarded \$5,000 from the NH Charitable Foundation for the purpose of funding a Greenfield Community Design Charrette (GCDC). The NH Charitable Foundation Grant is funded from the Ruth and James Ewing fund and the Monadnock Community Foundation. The Charrette itself will involve a series of public meetings for Charrette experts to gather information; including a walking tour of the village; and culminate with drawings and a report. The GCDC will bring together a number of planning professionals to focus on Greenfield so that we can borrow their expertise and potentially use their ideas for the future. The Community Design Charrette was approved at Town Meeting as Warrant Article #13. At the time Planning Board Chairman Bob Marshall promised to look for grants to fund the \$5,000 Charrette fee. While the warrant article allows the Town to raise and appropriate the funds through taxation, the grant award will now offset this expense.

WEED WATCHER TRAINING

On Sunday, July 27th, the Conservation Commission held a training for people interested in keeping our lakes free of invasive species. Amy Smagula from the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services presented a very informative program on aquatic invasive species. Otter Lake had a large infestation of milfoil last year that followed most of the shore line around the lake. After two applications of a plant specific herbicide in 2013, the infestation was reduced to a well established patch near the state beach. Since then, the state has had divers at the lake removing the plants by hand. This is a long process that will probably take several years to get under control.

Milfoil is just one of the species that can take over a lake reducing it to a watery mat that is impassable by boats or swimmers and can choke out native fish species and plants. Weed watchers are needed to patrol the lakes monthly during the summer to become familiar with the native species of plants in order to be able to identify the invasive species. Once identified, the invasive species can be eradicated or controlled.

The State of New Hampshire covers the cost of invasive species management the first year but in the second year, only 40%. The third year is not covered at all. Because the cost is so high, it is important to everyone to become educated in the identification of the plants early. If the infestation is small, it can be dealt with quickly before the cost is prohibitive.

There are several people interested in identification on Sunset Lake but weed watchers are still needed on Zephyr Lake. For more information, call Neal Brown at 547-2023 for Sunset Lake or Diane Boilard at 547-6662 for Zephyr.

The Greenfield Conservation Commission

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

Sponsor the Spirit

If you'd like to sponsor an issue of the Greenfield Spirit, please call 547-3442. The cost is low, and it's a great way to get the word out about your business or group, as well as an easy way to support your community. Interest has been so great that we now have a sign-up form to keep everyone's turn organized. Please call the Town Office for rates and to get on the list.

Ad rates and sizes are available from the Town Office.

SPIRIT DEADLINE

September 1, 2014

for the Oct/Nov Issue

Will cover events between

October 1 to November 30, 2014

If you wish to get your news into the Spirit, make sure you send or deliver your information to the Town Office by September 1st. This is a firm deadline.

Please send your information via e-mail, if possible to:

greenfieldnhbos@myfairpoint.net

If you have any questions, please call Aaron Patt at the Town Office at 547-3442.

TOWN DIRECTORY

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

DIAL 911

POLICE/FIRE/AMBULANCE
DIAL 911 or 352-1100

TOWN OFFICES

GREENFIELD SELECTBOARD

Executive Selectboard meetings are first and third Wednesdays of the month at 4:30 pm unless otherwise posted.

Selectboard: Debra Davidson Chair, Margo Bliss, Karen Day

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

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BUDGET COMMITTEE

Myron Steere - 547-3332

BUILDING/HEALTH INSPECTOR

Insp's by Appt/as needed

Inspector - Mike Borden 547-0437

Email: mbordenbi@gmail.com

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Meets 4th Wed. of the Month at 7:30pm

Chair: Carol Irvin Tel: 547-2037

Email: CIrvin@mathematica-mpr.com

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

DPW Director: Tim Murray - 547-3504

Email: greenfield.nh.dpw@myfairpoint.net

FIRE DEPARTMENT

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

Training 2nd & 3rd Tues of month at 7:00pm

Officer's Mtg 4th Tues of month at 7:00pm

Chief: Loren White H: 547-6874

Cell: 562-5007

Emergency Dispatch: 352-1100 or 911

Email: ldw13@myfairpoint.net

FOR BURN PERMITS CALL:

Fire Warden: Charlie Stevenson, 582-6663

Dep. Fire W. Mike Borden 547-0437

Dep. Fire W.: Steve Coombs 547-5760

Dep. Fire W.: Fred Ierlan 547-6823

Dep. Fire W.: James Murphy 547-6336

Dep. Fire W. Shawn Plourde 562-5529

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Brian Giammarino, Chief

Office: 547-2535 Dispatch: 547-2525

Email: greenfieldnhpolice@myfairpoint.net

STEPHENSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Wednesday 10:30am to 8:00pm

Thursday 11:00 am to 6:00pm

Friday 10:30am to 4:00pm

Saturday 10:00am to 2:00pm

Librarian - Gail Smith Tel: 547-2790

Monthly meetings at the library

Library Trustees 1st Wed at 7:00pm

Friends of the Library 3rd Wed 7:00pm

Email: stephensonlib@gmail.com

PLANNING BOARD

Meetings: 2nd & 4th Mon. at 7:00pm

At the Town Offices. Normally the 2nd

Mon. meeting is for hearings and the 4th

Mon. meeting is for other business.

Chair: Bob Marshall Tel: 547-3350

Email: greenfieldnhpb@gmail.com

RECYCLING CENTER

Hours: Tuesday 8:00am to 12:00pm

Thursday 1:00pm to 7:00pm

Saturday 8:00am to 4:00pm

Stickers for residents at the Town Office.

Supervisor: Carol Burgess Tel: 547-8617

Email: greenfieldnhrecycling@myfairpoint.net

SCHOOL BOARD REP: Myron Steere
547-3332

TOWN CLERK (Registrations)

Mon. 6:00pm to 7:30pm

Thurs. 9:00am to 12:00pm

Thurs. 6:00pm to 7:30pm

1st & 3rd Sat. from 9:00am to 12:00pm

Town Clerk - Dee Sleeper

Tel: 547-2782

Email: greenfieldnhct@myfairpoint.net

TOWN FORESTER

NH Licensed Forester

Karla Allen

Tel: 662-5646

Email: karla@garlandlumber.net

TAX COLLECTOR

Mon. 1:00pm to 7:30pm

Thursday 6:00pm to 7:30pm

3rd 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

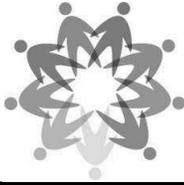
For Appts: 547-3442

Emergency assist: Call Police at 547-2525

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Chair: John Gryval Please call the Town

Office for information Tel: 547-3442



COMMUNITY PLANNING CHARRETTE

Don't forget to set aside time on Friday, September 26th and Saturday, September 27th for your input into the Community Planning Charrette. The tentative schedule includes the following (subject to change):

Friday- September 26th

9:45 -10:00 Plan NH Charrette Team (PNCT) gathers at location TBD

10:00-11:00 PNCT meeting to review: expectations, process, schedule, facilitation requirements, more

11:00-12:00 PNCT Bus/Walking tour of study area led by well-informed town leaders

12:00 -1:30 PNCT meeting (Lunch)

1:30 -3:00 PNCT meets with Town Department heads, etc.

3:30-5:00 Afternoon public Listening Session with the community. location - TBD

5:15-6:15 PNCT Dinner/Supper

6:30-8:00 Evening public Listening Session with the community. same location

8:00 PNCT debrief and begin brainstorming

Saturday -September 27th

8:00 PNCT Breakfast at work area

8:30-2:00 PNCT - Meet for brainstorming of issues, recommendations, etc. -break into smaller functional work groups and develop one or more plans.

9:00-11:00 PNCT Workshop

12:00-1:00 PNCT Working Lunch

2:30 or 3:00 Community Presentation of PNCT Recommendations

4:00 Closing

**Please see page 9 to find out more about the
Community Design Charrette.**

RECENT ACQUISITIONS OF THE GREENFIELD HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Since last fall, the Historical Society has received an interesting mix of artifacts and ephemera. The largest was a buckboard wagon! Now, we are looking at old photos to see if the wagon was one used in town by a store, shop keeper, or a family. Several photos do reveal a wagon very similar in detail to this one.

A couple of items donated are from the Crotched Mountain Ridge Runners, Inc., a local snowmobile club. One is a roulette type wheel made by Chet Russell in the 1960's and used at various fundraisers by the club. A circa 1970 sign from the Ridge Runners is also now part of our collection. This was their first sign, a hand painted one, made after the club was formed in 1970.

A lengthy genealogy and collection of stories about the Bowers family arrived this spring. The Bowers had lived in town from around 1805 until 1848. Several of the large family went west to the gold fields. Some went to Arizona, where they settled and had the first house in Prescott, Arizona. Others stayed in California, and those who stayed in Greenfield are buried behind the Meeting House. About thirty pages of stories provide an account of some of the members of this family. Newspaper accounts as well as excerpts from diaries give us a real story of the "wild west". One account starts by telling of corn being taken by Indians from the wagon overnight. Another Bowers was a sheriff and was killed by outlaws. Yet another Bowers sheriff deputized Virgil Earp. Another family member was a soldier who was killed in battle with Indians. Two other brothers found a 300 pound gold nugget, still the largest on record! All of the "larger than life" stories connect back to Greenfield! We were fortunate this spring to have two representatives of the Bowers family travel from the San Francisco area and participate at our annual meeting.

A nice addition to the Museum collection is a small bench made by the Greenfield Industries in the 1950's or 1960's. The bench still has the original label on it. Photos of homes as well as townspeople have also been added. We like to update house histories as new owners are often eager to research the background of recently acquired property.

Those people depicted in our photo archives continue to be identified. We are also attempting to update current home owners. The house files originated in the late 1970's to the early 1980's, and a lot need revision.

Our Murder Mystery/ Ham and Bean Supper in late June was a rollicking success! Kudos to Bruce Dodge and Paul Dugan for crafting an original script pertinent to Greenfield, and to Dale Russell for co-ordinating the supper portion. The cast of (real) characters had everyone wondering. This may become a series.

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RECYCLING CENTER NEWS

The stores are already bursting with school clothes and supplies but there is still plenty of time before school for picnics, parties, cookouts, and sleepovers. Don't forget to recycle all your items from these fun activities.

Remember the "Changing of the Clothes" for the new school year offers a great opportunity to recycle your unwanted clothes at the used clothing stores or the Salvation Army bins here at the Recycling Center. There are many folks that rely on finding good clean serviceable clothing instead of buying new.

Many people have been cleaning out barns, sheds, garages, basements and complete houses recently. If you have a project you are going to tackle, take a few moments and talk with us about organizing your load to save yourself time. We are happy to direct you to the appropriate place for your items but you must have your own muscle power to unload them.

TAKE NOTICE! ALL items for deposit at the recycling center **MUST** be checked prior to drop-off. This process saves the town money by preventing lost revenues due to items going into the wrong area or unacceptable items left off that cost the town money.

Mini Mall and Library items are for the residents of Greenfield only. These items are not for the purpose of resale. Many families are thankful this resource exists in Greenfield to help fill their "need" for an item they are unable to buy new. Please note that any items around the facility are town property. Please Remember - Greenfield has Mandatory Recycling!

THANK YOU'S: Mary Ann Grant for the wonderful hanging plants at the recycling windows. David Bridgewater for his expertise in making a much-needed sign that will be hung up shortly. You will see it as you come up the hill.

SUMMER HOURS: Hours: Tuesday 8am - Noon, Thursday 1pm - 7 pm, and Saturday 8am - 4pm.

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE: Collections are in progress and information sheets are available.

CHANGE SOON: We will be changing the plastic window of #1 and #3-7's to only #1's. We have been fighting hard to include any container with #1 on it but the final answer was given this week that only the #1 bottles will be accepted. About 97% of the containers coming through this window are #1's anyway so moving #'s 3 thru 7 to the trash will have little impact on our revenues. AND now, the industry wants the caps... Please note that bottles are described as the neck being smaller than the bottom. There will be a new display up shortly at the recycling window. We are diligently working at having this program in place as soon as possible. We appreciate

your cooperation and patience.

A quick reminder: All recycled containers must be empty, rinsed and clean. Please remember this because we second handle these containers, and it is a safety and health issue. Liquid soap containers present slippery floors when not rinsed which is a serious safety hazard for all of us.

DO YOU KNOW? In 1985, a lot of landfills in the US closed. Today there are not many landfills left open in New England; just 5 in NH. In NH, about 31% of solid waste is being sent to landfills. According to the EPA 2012 facts and figures, the average solid waste generated per person was 4.38 pounds per day and the national average recycling rate is 34.5%.

SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING (all recyclables are collected in 1 container): The single stream recycling dream is becoming a nightmare. Due to contamination from all of the materials being mixed together, buyers are rejecting the loads. In addition, the required quality for our exported materials has also sky rocketed which impacted single stream recycling as well. This mixing of materials has caused several single stream facilities to close and new ones to be stalemated. In our area, the cost of a single stream program is at an all time high of around \$80 per ton for tipping plus hauling fees. A town up north was just billed \$140+ per ton for their single stream recyclables. Single sorting, as we do, is and always has been the best method for recycling.

CORRUGATED CARDBOARD: Please do not stomp on your corrugated cardboard to flatten it. We are also asking you to take wet cardboard home and dry it, then bring it back to recycle it. We were drying the cardboard inside the building but it overwhelmed our space and resulted in a safety hazard.

USED OIL: Thank you for your contributions.

VEGETABLE OILS: We are collecting all types of vegetable and nut oils and we are getting \$\$\$ for it! See the sign above the used oil sign at the door.

METAL CONTAINER: Please see an attendant before dropping metal off in the dumpster. We recycle certain metals separately for the town.

BICYCLES & LAWN MOWERS: Please see attendant. All oil and gasoline must be drained. Let us know the history of the machine so we can pass it along to another resident interested in reusing the machine.

ELECTRONICS: Please see attendant. Fees are associated with the disposal of these items.

I am always open for suggestions.

Carol Burgess and the Recycling Center Staff



CONSERVATION TRACKS

News of Conservation Doings

About the Greenfield Conservation Commission (GCC)

GENERAL INFO

Generally, the GCC meets on the fourth Wednesday of each month at 7:30 in the Town Office building. Want to make a difference? Come and join us! (always double-check the meeting calendar on the town website, in case it has been moved).

What is a Conservation Commission? According to the 2004 Handbook for NH's Municipal Conservation Commissions, it "...is the only local body specifically charged with protecting natural resources; it provides a focal point within the municipal government for environmental concerns. Without a conservation commission, other boards may or may not be aware of and consider natural resources in carrying out their responsibilities."

Local Conservation News & Notes

The GCC is in the process of developing management plans for the George Proctor and Koch-Brown properties. For parcels that have been given to the town for use as recreation areas or otherwise conserved, it is good stewardship to have a structured plan for its use.

We're also updating the town's Natural Resources Inventory (NRI) and are making progress with that.

Selected upcoming regional events

Monadnock Conservancy Events – check <http://monadnockconservancy.org/news-events/calendar.html>

West Hill wander

Saturday, August 9, 2014, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Join Conservancy staff as we explore the woods and wetlands on West Hill in Keene. This is part of our campaign to protect nearly 700 acres in the California Brook Natural Area. Come learn why this property is so important. A moderately strenuous, 4-mile-loop hike will bring us to a remote beaver pond with a great blue heron nest. Bring water and lunch. Presented by: Monadnock Conservancy
Location: Meet for carpooling at the Horatio Colony Nature Preserve parking area on Daniels Hill Road in Keene. (From the intersection of Route 9 and Daniels Hill Road in Keene, drive about 800 feet up Daniels Hill Road and the drive to the parking area will be on your left. If you get to Whitcombs Mill Road, you've gone too far.)
Contact: Email Anne McBride or call 603-357-0600, ext. 102.

Active harvest tour at Calhoun Family Forest

Friday, August 15, 2014, from 1 to 4 p.m.
Join forester Swift Corwin, county forester Steve Roberge and land manager Rick Brackett for a tour through an active timber harvest operation at the Calhoun Family Forest in Gilsum. This workshop will provide attendees the opportunity to see the workings of an active cut-to-length timber harvest operation. Learn about working with a forester and NRCS to implement a timber harvest on your property to meet your goals and how a timber harvest can be used to

improve wildlife habitat. Sturdy footwear required. Presented by: Monadnock Conservancy, UNH Cooperative Extension, Cheshire County Conservation District and Natural Resources Conservation Service.
Location: John and Rosemarie Calhoun Family Forest, White Brook Road, Gilsum
Contact: Email Steve Roberge or call 603-352-4550.

25th Annual Celebration

Local land conservation: then, now and forever

Saturday, August 23, 2014, from 9:00 a.m. to noon
This year we celebrate the organization's first 25 years and, more importantly, focus on all that is yet to come. Peter Forbes, conservationist, photographer, writer and co-founder of The Center for Whole communities, will give the keynote address, putting our milestone in perspective by describing this pivotal period in the national conservation movement and challenging us to embrace new words, new tools and new partnerships in the next 25, 50, 100 years. Continental breakfast and registration begins at 9:00 a.m. Optional field trips that showcase some of the most important projects in the Conservancy's history depart at noon (most trips last about two hours). Presented by: Monadnock Conservancy.
Location: Peterborough Town House, 1 Grove Street, Peterborough
Contact: Email Pat Payne or call 603-357-0600.

Best practices for managing land near water

Friday, September 12, 2014, from 3 to 6 p.m.
Join county forester Steve Roberge and forester David Hobson for this informative site visit to a recent forestry operation in Chesterfield. This workshop will focus on identifying important water resources and understanding how land management could affect those resources. Best practices discussed will include vegetative buffers, temporary skidder bridges, water bars, pole fords, and gravel and stone structures. Learn about planning and installation of features to protect water quality and aquatic wildlife habitat. Sturdy footwear required. Presented by: Monadnock Conservancy, UNH Cooperative Extension, Cheshire County Conservation District and Natural Resources Conservation Service.

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Location: Log landing at California Brook Headwaters property, Lincoln Hill Road, Chesterfield
Contact: Email Steve Roberge or call 603-352-4550.

Forest Society Events – check <http://www.forestsociety.org/>
The Society for the Protection of New Hampshire Forests, the largest land trust based entirely in New Hampshire, is sometimes referred to as SPNHF, but is affectionately known as the “Forest Society”.

There were no events list at the time of this publication, but you can check the website for updates: <http://www.forestsociety.org/thingstodo/>

Harris Center Events - <http://www.harriscenter.org/calendar>
83 King’s Highway, Hancock, NH 03449
Phone (603) 525-3394

Friday, August 1, 10:00am
Crotched Mountain Hike

Sunday, August 3, 11:00am
Monadnock Summer Lyceum: Dr. Bernd Heinrich, “Nature: A Panacea to Our Problems?”

Saturday, August 9, 1:30pm
Winn Mountain Hike

Thursday, August 14, 7:00pm
Eagles — You’re on Candid Camera!

Monday, August 25, 6:00pm
Birding the Nighthawk Migration

Friday, September 5, 10:00am
Easygoing Hike in Wales Preserve

UNH-Cooperative Extension Forest/Wildlife events – See the link below for events and workshops, most free and open to the public, Many are in Durham, but there are some nearby.

http://extension.unh.edu/events/index.cfm?e=app.home&calendar_id=976

There are GIS/GPS workshops, Chain Saw Safety, and MANY EVENTS in Lancaster to celebrate the centennial of the Weeks Act (the act of Congress that created our National Parks).

The Stewardship Network: New England – this fairly new website puts together many land stewardship training and volunteering opportunities in one place – check it out!

<http://newengland.stewardshipnetwork.org/>

Fish & Game Non-Game Dept has some great ideas for kids – see:

<http://www.nhchildreninnature.org/>

and click on **What to do + Where to go**

SPOTLIGHT: More about invasives —

Citizen Scientists Use Online Tools to Map Invasives (from the New England Stewardship Network) – see article online for links: <http://newengland.stewardshipnetwork.org/story/citizen-scientists-use-online-tools-map-invasives>

Did you know that anyone can report populations of invasive plants and insects? These reports help stewardship managers plan removal projects and identify invasive hot spots.

In New Hampshire, the Stewardship Network: New England is using EDDMaps, a national, online system to collect reports of invasive garlic mustard (and other invasives). Reporting is easy once you set up your own profile. The hope is that new garlic mustard reports by volunteers and stewardship managers will help target workday planning for next year, the second year of New England’s participation in the Garlic Mustard Challenge.

You can also use a smartphone app such as IPANE or Outsmart Invasives to map populations of invasive plants directly from the field. Both of these apps connect to the EDDMaps national database, so your local records will be seen and used by those working on invasives plants in your region. One note: if you are mapping plants on private property, be sure you have the landowner’s permission before you upload a record to the site.

If you are into bugs as opposed to plants, New Hampshire has a citizen science effort to learn about and report examples of invasive forest pests at NHBugs.org. In Massachusetts, there is a similar effort for invasive insects called Outsmart Invasives that works with the Outsmart app (mentioned above). Their online video about the project is worth watching, even if just for the laugh!

If you are in New York or Vermont, you can submit your invasive plant populations through iMap Invasives, another online system that is available to states and organizations that have a subscription.

STEPHENSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Greenfield, NH, 603 547 2790, stephensonlib@gmail.com, Facebook

Family Storytime Last Thursday Monthly 11 am

W 10:30 -8, Th 11-6, F 10:30-4, Sat 10-2

Closed Sunday-Tuesday

THANKS GOES OUT TO the Stefanik Family for increasing the fun for this year's Community Summer Library Program (CSLP) - Fizz, Boom, Read. Mary volunteers at the library with her therapy dog, Toven, monthly. She has contributed DVD titles, Summer Reading materials and spoils the librarians rotten. If you see me walking around with Rainbow Hair it's because our readers met my DYE-ing to Read Challenge this summer by logging 100 page chunks for each color stripe. Visitors and readers really enjoyed the mini-maker space we created in the childrens room this summer. We upcycled lots of thingamambobs and created amazing structures. Be sure to look for the Kandinski Circles in the trees on the lawn, thanks to Carole Storro of Just Create. Be sure to enjoy our dinosaur garden and bubbles next time you are on the lawn.

Volunteers at the Library - Friends of the Library hosted our annual booksale/yard sale at the end of May in conjunction with the Town Wide Yardsale and brought in nearly \$600 for library programming. Their walking tacos sold out immediately and they'll be working on next year's event. They also maintain our continuous book sale. Join some of my favorite people on the third Wednesday monthly at 7 pm at the library. Monthly Membership \$25. Junior Friends/Youth Advisory, Membership waived until graduation. From 4th grade through age 18. These volunteers meet community service requirements at school and have vital input on youth collection development, programming, event planning & signage and keep the building and its green spaces welcoming. Being a part of this Youth Advisory Function looks awesome on resumes and school applications.

Our adult volunteers are amazingly diverse people looking for a change of pace or scenery. They shelve, cover, process, display, suggest, review, support. They come at their convenience around work, travel, family life and other volunteer commitments and we throw chocolate.

Tim Hogue, Volunteer Coordinator, CMRC, Student Volunteers visit to help with book care.

I'd love to offer a big thank you to you folks for being open to providing opportunities for our students here at Crotched. Also it is fantastic that you folks are an accessible location in an area where not all businesses are. The book sanitizing task is worthwhile for all concerned because we know those germs never sleep. We all learn at different levels and the responsibility of getting to the job and expanding the time on task are important to mastering the job. The community exposure is great in that everyday folk have a chance to see that we all function at different levels and that it's okay. Our kids get a chance to see interactions in the real world and how that

could translate for them in the future. Thank you Kristin and Gail!

<http://1000booksbeforekindergarten.org/>

We are excited to participate in this great program to encourage family reading and school readiness. You can download logs and booklists at the website, find out more about choosing and reading books together. Track your progress at the library on the window of fame, collect more books for your list and try out Saturday story times.

NEW to Adult Collection - 29 New Large Print Titles thanks to Gail getting a super deal at Center Point Large print. A savings of over \$980 with free shipping.

Richard North Patterson, Loss of Innocence

Peter Heller, Dog Stars

Mary Alice Munroe, The Summer Girls

Richard Paul Evans, A Step of Faith

Glen Beck, Agenda 21

Mike Ritland, Trident K9 Warriors

NEW to Children's Collection -

Kimberly & James Dean, Pete the Cat and his magic sunglasses

Shaun Tan, Rules of Summer

Jennifer Berne, On a Beam of Light:- A story of Albert Einstein.

AUGUST

Back to School Month

Wednesday, August 6th, 7 pm, Library Trustees

Saturday, August 9th, 9-3 pm, Monadnock Quilter's Guild Workshop, Wensberg Room

Wednesday, August 13th, 4:30 pm, TOVEN, Certified Therapy Dog, Visit & Read

Wednesday, August 20th, 8:30 am GIVers, Greenfield Independent Volunteers, Wensberg Room

7:00 pm Friends of Stephenson Memorial Library

(Monday, August 25th deadline for ConVal Kindergarten Registration)

Wednesday, August 27th, 9:30 - 12, Monadnock Quilter's Guild, Meeting, Wensberg Room

(Thursday, August 28th, FIRST DAY CONTOOCOOK VALLEY SCHOOL DISTRICT)

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Our next big event will be THE FOURTH ANNUAL RAILROAD SHOW on Saturday, October 18th, 2014. Much planning throughout the year goes into this show. Contact Dale at 547-3377 for the latest information or check the next edition of The Spirit or other publicity notices.

In the works is also a design contest for the shape of the weathervane that will top the cupola of the Museum's barn. Details about the contest will be forthcoming.

The Historical Society's Museum is open on the last Saturday of each month with the exception of December from 11:00 AM until 1 PM. A work bee precedes the open hours. Appointments to tour the Museum at other times or to get information may be made by calling Lenny at 547-2198. For a membership or a renewal, please call Jane at 547-2759.

TOWN TRIVIA:

- In 1972, there were at least forty-five snowmobiles in town.
- Photos were also requested that year of "Old Greenfield"; there was a good response to the request. At that time, there were thoughts of forming an historical society.
- A Recycling Drive collected bottles and cans throughout the town.
- The Bowes Greenhouses were dismantled.

Lenny Cornwell

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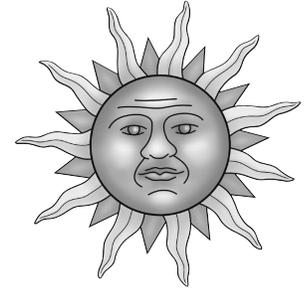
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SEPTEMBER

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Wednesday, 4:30 pm TOVEN, Snuggle, Read and Visit

Saturdays (4), 11, September 6-27, Story Time, Craft, Activities

Wednesday, September 17th, 8:30 am GIVers, Wensberg Room
7:00 pm Friends of Stephenson Memorial

(Friday, September 26th - Saturday, September 27th, All Day, Wensberg Room, Greenfield Charrette with the Planning Board)



Public Input Sought Planning Charrette

**Please join the Planning Charrette Steering
Committee for an open discussion**

Tuesday, August 5th at 7pm at the Town Office

Tuesday, August 19th at 7pm at Oak Park Pavilion

Tuesday, August 26th at 7pm at the Town Office

What is a Planning Charrette?

COMMUNITY DESIGN CHARRETTE PROGRAM

Each charrette has certain intended outcomes:

1. Through open discussion, learn about the town and its needs and the role of the target area
2. For residents and leaders to discover what is happening in their community - from various viewpoints
3. Based on what is learned about the community, in conjunction with the expertise and experience of the Plan NH volunteers, to develop recommendations for the community's resources and opportunities, especially as they relate to the Vision outlined in the Master Plan.
4. To raise awareness, through the recommendations, of the link between the built environment and the level of health and vibrancy of the community
5. To recommend specific actions and resources to implement the plan.

A team of Plan NH planning professionals will work in collaboration with your leaders and residents to develop recommendations to help move your town's vision forward.

So who is Plan NH?

Plan NH is a non-profit organization, founded in 1989, Membership is comprised of professionals related to the building industries (and others). Plan NH promotes ideas and trends and strategies that lead to vibrant, healthy communities.

At its core, Plan NH believes that what we build, where we build, and how we build have an impact on the fabric of a community.

By championing certain principles and guidelines, Plan NH raises awareness of the link between the built environment and the overall "livability" and appealing nature of where we live, and/or play.

In the Community Design Charrette Program, we work directly with towns here in the Granite State to assist them in creating that link in their own community.

As of November 2012, Plan NH has conducted 52 charrettes in 49 New Hampshire towns of all sizes.

Greenfield Covenant Congregational Church Past, Present, and Future

On June 29, the Greenfield Church celebrated its 223rd Annual Meeting. (You read right: we've been around here for 223 years!) We have continually provided support and service to the town—just think of all the births, marriages, and deaths since 1791, where the church has been there through times of joy and sorrow in the lives of Greenfield citizens. Got history? We do!

Some people we've talked to seem to have the idea that the church here is dwindling, or that we are a relic of the past, or that we've disappeared! (Because we no longer worship in the meetinghouse, that impression may have grown.) But nothing could be farther from the truth. We are as alive as ever and still totally committed to our calling of offering services in Christ's name to Greenfield and beyond. The issue is really the fact that *a Christian church is not really a building at all—it's people.*

While we have been in transition to a new space, we have met in Carter Hall at Crotched Mt. Rehab Center. (Please join us there on Sundays at 10.) It has been a very rich and rewarding experience—not without its challenges: we have been learning to welcome, love and support folks who many

people marginalize. The line of wheelchairs at some of our communion services is a sobering, and wonderful, sight. We chalk this journey of learning up to God opening our eyes and hearts, and we will never be the same. We've grown.

Our future seems bright and exciting. We are renovating



our building on Depot Road (*the picture is an architect's rendering of what it could look like eventually*). It will become our "headquarters" for worship, community, fellowship, service, and fun—right in the village. Town leaders have been very supportive, and we thank them all. There are a lot of rules and regulations to follow and we are working our way through towards

our goal. *We have a strategy to accomplish it without accumulating debt* (no small thing in these times), even though we are not a large group of folks with large incomes. (Which reminds us: Thank you to EVERYONE who supports our Food Pantry and Clothes Closet; many folks benefit from these services with your help.)

We are here for you!

In Jesus' Name,

Members of the Greenfield Covenant Community Church

SPIRIT DEADLINES

September 1st for the Oct/Nov Issue

March 1st for the Apr/May Issue

November 1st for the Dec/Jan Issue

May 1st for the Jun/Jul Issue

January 1st for Feb/Mar

July 1st for the Aug/Sep Issue

SAVE YOURSELF A TRIP!

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

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!

Sign up to get notices automatically of hearings, closings, or special happenings in town.

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Find out what is going on in town – concerts, yard sales, items for sale or wanted, lost animals, political discussions, etc.

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DICK AND SOOTY

Every now and then life gives you a gift that makes you appreciate where you live, and the people who are your neighbors. I had such an experience when I met Dick and his cat, Sooty, over two years ago.

I had just begun a new job at Monadnock Humane Society as the Director of Marketing and Development, and we received

a donation from a man who lived in my backyard (almost literally!). Richard "Dick" Eaton lived on Sunset Lake in Greenfield with his beloved cat, Sooty. He wrote a note on his envelope talking about his wonderful companion and how Sooty had come into his life as a stray 8 years before. I called to thank him for his support, and asked if I could visit him sometime. He was delighted to have me visit and couldn't wait to introduce me to Sooty. We both connected immediately as animal lovers, and as Greenfield residents. And, Sooty did finally show up to say a brief "hello" which Richard said was pretty unusual.

Dick lived alone in a small cottage that his family owned for many years. After traveling the world as a pilot (serving our country and also for a commercial airline) he decided to make Greenfield his home. We talked for quite a while and it was wonderful to meet a "neighbor!" He mentioned to me that he was not in the best of health, and expressed his concerns for Sooty should something happen to him. I could sense his worry and concern, and assured him that I would work with MHS to help find Sooty a new home if that time came.

As time passed, I would receive letters from Dick with pictures of Sooty. His letters were filled with stories of the little things that he loved about his beloved companion. To someone else they would be commonplace, but to Dick they were enchanting. I enjoyed hearing from him, and visited him again - only this time with a trap for the stray cat that had insinuated himself into Sooty's world and brought with him an infestation of fleas! We didn't catch the cat, but Dick insisted on feeding the stray. He couldn't bear the thought of that old tom cat starving. I visited Dick last summer during the very hot spell we had in July, and his health really began to decline. He had trouble breathing, and had been to the hospital. We talked again about Sooty's future and again I assured him that we would take good care of him if anything happened. My heart broke knowing that this might be the last time I saw him. He did make it through the very difficult winter - but the ice and cold took its toll on him.

In early April, I got a call from his neighbor, Jill, to let me know that he had been taken to the hospital and that things didn't look good. That afternoon I visited him. His spirits were



good, but I could tell that he was in pretty bad shape. I held his hand and told him not to worry about Sooty - that we all would take good care of him while he rested. He gave a peaceful sigh, and slipped off to sleep. I will never forget the calm look on his face.

Over the next few days, Jill kept me posted on how things were going. Dick seemed to rally one day, and then decline the next. Then a week later, I received the call I dreaded from Jill

- Dick had passed away. I was overcome with sadness.

Jill and I worked together to devise a plan to catch Sooty (there was no way he was going to come when called!). After a week of trying, we were finally able to catch him and bring him to Monadnock Humane Society where we would care for him as he waited for his new family to find him. During this time, many neighbors

would call and ask me how Sooty was doing, and offered to help. I was so impressed by the support and caring of the community.

At first, things did not go well for Sooty at the shelter. He was stressed out in the environment that was so unfamiliar to him. I would visit him every hour and talk with him, and he would purr and sit with me but he was clearly upset. He stopped eating and the staff became so worried that we decided to put him into foster care and he went home to live with one of the shelter technicians. Kerri and her family took Sooty in and gave him lots of love and affection. He began to adjust to a new life as they treated him with patience and understanding. It wasn't long before he began to come out of his shell and reciprocate the affection. Kerri would tell me wonderful stories of how he purred constantly and sought her out, giving her "head-butts" and talking to her.



After several weeks, it was time for Sooty to come back to MHS to be adopted. He was a different cat - much more friendly and social. What we didn't know is that while Sooty was in foster care, a former neighbor of Dick's

had been in touch with Jill, and wanted to adopt Sooty. They made plans to come in on the day that Sooty came back from Kerri's house. It was a joyful reunion. We all said "goodbye" to Sooty with happy tears.

I've watched many pets find new homes here at MHS, but none have touched my heart the way this little black cat did. It is significant to me because this story isn't just about a cat, or about the person who loved him - but it is a story of compassion and many people in our town and community coming together to help. I know Dick is smiling somewhere knowing that his beloved cat Sooty has found happiness again and will be loved and cared for in a new life with his forever family.

Carol Laughner

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August 12th

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August 19th

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August 26th

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PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

I was recently asked to write an article for the Greenfield Spirit and I am pleased to introduce myself. I'm Tim Murray, DPW Supervisor. As background to my role in town, I was hired in June of 2011 as the Public Works Director for Greenfield. When I arrived the employees on the DPW crew were almost entirely new, due to turnover in the department. Recent openings on the DPW team had just been filled and there was a lot of work to accomplish. On my first day Duffy Fox, Greenfield's retired road agent drove me through town and we discussed the condition of the roads. I could see that many roads were long overdue for reconstruction. By summer's end we had a team in place and were hard at work. In many ways we had a lot to learn about Greenfield. I'm pleased to say that we have grown a lot since the summer of 2011.

With the support of residents at Town Meeting, the department has reconstructed several paved roads in town, including Slip Road, Mountain Road, Zephyr Lake Road, and Old Bennington road; which will be completed this summer. The gravel roads meanwhile have been the source of very difficult areas during mud season. The winter was long and cold pushing frost deep into the ground. As a result mud season was challenging and costly as we hauled load after load of stone to provide structure for driving. To avoid this expense in future years we have been elevating stretches of road with new gravel and drainage material to get the driving surfaces away from the water table. We have had to focus on the more populated roads, especially those used for through traffic, in order to help high traffic areas remain open. While these projects can be time consuming, ultimately they will provide a foundation for the future so that winter will have less chance to produce another mud season like the last one.

Later this summer, we anticipate a return to road maintenance; grading and ditching as part of a focus on drainage that will help keep gravel and paved roads trouble free. Frequent summer storms however, have contributed to washouts and erosion, continuing the need for ongoing fixes on our gravel roads. Unfortunately we can't fix storm damage and do maintenance at the same time. We greatly appreciate your patience and phone calls as we move forward. If you have a concern about the condition of the road you live on, please give us a call and leave a message with the location.

We are here for the town and value your input. Your thoughts are always welcome. greenfield.nh.dpw@myfairpoint.net or 547-3504

Thank you,
Tim Murray

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

225th Anniversary Celebration Committee: This committee has been formed to plan the 225th anniversary of the town's existence. For more info, call Dorene Adams at 547-2706.

Budget Committee: The budget committee is involved in assisting the Selectboard with budgetary planning. For more info, call Myron Steere at 547-3332.

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, Carol Irvin at 547-2037.

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 Loren White at 547-6874.

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 Neal Brown at 547-2023.

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.

Oak Park Committee: This committee plans events that produce income to support the development of the park. For more info, call John Hopkins at 562-6690.

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 Bob Marshall at 547-3350.

Trustee of the Trust Funds: This committee is involved in the administration of capital reserve funds, scholarship funds, and any other monies set aside for future use. For more info, call Margo Bliss at 547-3606.



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Greenfield Church *Moving Forward!*

The Greenfield Church has been here since 1791. Back then, you couldn't incorporate as a town in New Hampshire until you established a church. Things have changed! But we've been here continually, in one form or another, ever since.

Today the church is growing and moving forward. At our weekly services (currently held in Carter Hall at Crotched Mt.) we usually number 60 to 70 people, including a number of children. We are healthy and going strong. We have a deep relationship with a number of residents, and employees, of Crotched Mt. Our pastor, Dan Osgood, who has been in Greenfield now for 26 years, has a long history serving the town and the Crotched Mt. community, as a clergyman and friend. Dan is the longest serving minister in Greenfield Church's history!

Many of you know we purchased land on Rt. 136 where we planned our new home to be. We left the Meeting House several years ago; as beautiful and historic as it is, the old meetinghouse was really no longer suitable for the needs of our congregation. We own the property off Slip Road, on Depot Road, behind Harvester Market, where we have offices, and our Food Pantry and Clothes Closet. We hold a com-

munity coffee/karaoke house there every month, and meet there for various functions.

After a long period of discussion, reflection, soul-searching, and much prayer, we decided that the very best thing we could do was to renovate and "repurpose" our building on Depot Road, and make that our primary residence for worship and service to the community. That is why you now see a For Sale sign on the property on Francestown Road.

As the plans developed for the property on Rt. 136 we had felt more and more uncomfortable with the growing costs and the notion of spending so much more on a new building, when our purpose is to serve others, not ourselves. Greenfield is a smaller community (why a lot of us love it here), and we are a smaller congregation. A lot of financial burden was going to fall on the congregation—or else we could do what too many churches seem to do: *borrow a lot of money and have a mortgage.* We came to believe we should fulfil our purpose without going into debt. We have saved money towards our future, but we came to believe that our money should go to serving the community and to our various missions as a church, not to a bank in loan payments.

As much as we regret to see that beautiful piece of land go, developing it ourselves represented a financial future we did not want to commit to. We even installed a well and septic there, but now we pray the

right someone will find a good purpose for that beautiful property.

We started work on our Depot Road property in June and we are very excited moving forward. Phase One is a new home for our Food Pantry and Clothes Closet. These services help many people every week. We will then move on to building a new entrance and a new sanctuary. We are currently working with the town on the details. Eventually a new steeple will appear in town! And we'll remain, as ever, in the heart of the community.

These pictures show the progress we are making and an architect's drawing of what the building may become. Phase One will cost around \$50,000—and we won't have to borrow! Swing through Depot road sometime and check it out. We'll announce an Open House before long.



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