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TOWN TAX RATE STAYS THE SAME

The Board of Selectmen has worked diligently to keep the Town portion of the tax rate the same as last year: \$6.67. It was accomplished by watching the budgets of all departments very carefully and working with our department heads to make informed decisions. We are very fortunate to have good employees who are willing to forego projects if the costs are too high. Most of the time we are able to move forward by either getting used equipment or by searching for the best prices. These strategies coupled with careful planning and judicious use of the fund balance made it possible to keep the town tax rate down for another year. Unfortunately, the whole tax rate has gone up due to the ConVal budget. The state showed a small change but the biggest driver is the school rising by over \$2.00. It went from 12.01 to 14.07. This was predicted last spring and the chances are that there will be more in the next ConVal budget that will come up in the deliberative session in early February. We have not found information on the date for this meeting as yet. Watch for that date and if your tax bill is important to you, attend the session.

SAND/GRAVEL PROJECT

There have been a couple of news articles about the sand and gravel operation on Forest Road adjacent to Greenvale Cemetery. The Board of Selectmen is pleased to report on this project from our perspective.

This project has been discussed in conversations back as far as when Duffy Fox was still Road Agent. He always felt that having sand available in a central location would be advantageous for the town. It would reduce the distance the trucks had to travel to get the sand to either end of town thereby reducing the fuel used, and would make the sand runs faster which would be safer especially in the morning for school buses. Duffy retired in 2009 and ever since the Board has been working toward this goal.

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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, 2013 - April 1, 2014. This is to allow plowing of the streets during snowstorms.

*Per order of
Greenfield Board of Selectmen*



*To all Greenfield Residents
May all the joys of this holiday
season be yours
From All of Us in the
Town Offices, Departments
and Committees*



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, 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.

DEADLINES

January 1st for the 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

SPIRIT DEADLINE

January 1, 2014
for the Feb/Mar Issue
Will cover events between
February 1 to March 31, 2014

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

If you choose to send your information via e-mail, please send it to:

greenfieldnhbos@myfairpoint.net

If your article is a long one and you don't have e-mail, please supply a typed copy. If you have any questions, please call Aaron Patt at the Town Office at 547-3442 or Karen Day at 547-2985.

TOWN DIRECTORY

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

DIAL 911

POLICE/FIRE/AMBULANCE
DIAL 911 or 352-1100

TOWN OFFICES

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Executive Select Board meetings are **every week on Thursday at 4:30 pm unless otherwise posted**. Select Board: Rob Wimpory, Chair, Karen Day and Debra Davidson
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, Accounting & Webmaster
Tel: 547-3442 Fax: 547-3004
Email: greenfieldnhacct@myfairpoint.net

BUDGET COMMITTEE

Myron Steere - 547-3332

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Insp's by Appt/as needed
Inspector - Mike Borden 547-0437
Email: mbordenbi@gmail.com

CONSERVATION COMMISSION AND OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE

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
Deputy Fire W.: Al Burt, 547-3839
Dep. Fire W.: Steve Coombs 547-5760
Dep. Fire W.: Fred Ierlan 547-6823
Dep. Fire W.: James Murphy 547-6336

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: bmarshall11@myfairpoint.net

RECYCLING CENTER

Hours: Tuesday 8:00am to 12:00pm
Thursday 1:00pm to 5:00pm
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: greenfieldnhctaxes@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

TIMELINE FOR TRADITIONAL TOWN MEETING

Meeting Date - Tuesday, March 11, 2014

- January 3 Notice of bond hearing (first day possible)
RSA 33:8-a (7 days prior to hearing)
- January 10 First day to hold public hearing for bond
issue over \$100,000 (60 days prior to mtg)
RSA 33:8-a
- January 31 Last day for town manager to submit budget
to selectpersons (31st day of Jan.) RSA 37:6 V
- February 4 Last day for cost items to be finalized (5th
Tuesday prior mtg.) RSA 32:5-a
- February 4 Last day for petitioned warrant articles (5th
Tuesday prior mtg.) RSA 39:3
- February 7 Last day to post notice of Feb. 14th budget
hearing (7 days prior to hearing) RSA 32:5, I
- February 14 Last day to hold at least one budget hearing
(may hold additional budget hearings earlier
(no later than 25 days prior or later with
7 days notice) to mtg. RSA 32:5 I and V
- February 17 Last day to post notice of bond hearing
(7 days prior to hearing) RSA 33:8-a
- February 24 Last day to post warrant and budget form for
annual meeting (14 clear days prior to mtg.)
RSA 39:5
- February 24 Last day to hold public hearing for bond
issue over \$100,000 (15 days prior to mtg.)
RSA 33:8-a
- March 4 Annual Report with budget made available
(1 week prior to mtg.)
RSA 41:14 & 32:5 VII (a)
- March 11 Town Meeting Day (2nd Tues. in Mar.)
RSA 39:1

PUBLIC NOTICE

2014 Town Budget Hearing
January 23, 2014
6:30 pm
Town Office Meeting Room

Town of Greenfield 2014 Openings for Town Officials Sign-up Notice

Budget Committee (2 members)	1 year term
Budget Committee	2 year term
Budget Committee (2 members)	3 year term
Cemetery Trustee	3 year term
Library Trustee	3 year term
Planning Board (2 members)	2 year term
Planning Board (2 members)	3 year term
Selectman	3 year term
Supervisors of the Checklist	6 year term
Trustee of Trust Fund	3 year term

**Candidates must sign up to be on the ballot between
January 22 - January 31, 2014
at the Town Clerk's Office during
regular business hours,
or Friday January 31st from 3-5 PM**

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We have done a lot of research on the Forest Road location:

- Test pits were done to make sure the sand was abundant and of the type the town needs.
- The deed to the property was consulted to see if the land could be used for this purpose.
- The Town Forester was asked to walk the property to see if the sale of any of the trees could produce any income.
- The Department of Environmental Services was consulted about the wetlands.
- Meridian Associates: A conceptual plan was drawn up by Meridian to show what the project might look like.

The research produced these results:

- The test pits verified the abundance of high quality sand.
- The deed allowed for the use of the land.
- The Town Forester said that the trees were in good health but not of much value.
- The Department of Environmental Services approved an Alteration of Terrain permit that included a buffer next to the lake.
- The cost of the conceptual plan from Meridian was rejected because of its high cost.

In addition, the Planning Board was advised of this project and the Cemetery Trustees were consulted. The Trustee's concerns about noise and aesthetics were noted and addressed.

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GREENFIELD RECREATION

Call 547-3442 for more i-fo.

JOIN YOUR LOCAL FITNESS PROGRAM!

TOWN OF GREENFIELD, NH

Step and Sculpt Classes!

New Session Starting in January



8 Week Session

Classes begin with a warm up followed by 35 minutes of low impact step aerobics and a body toning workout using light hand weights. Classes end with a full body stretch.

WHEN: TUESDAYS

TIME: 5:30PM - 6:30PM

PLACE: GREENFIELD MEETING HOUSE

COST: \$55.00 PER 8 WEEK SESSION

BRING: HANDWEIGHTS (2-5 LBS DEPENDING ON YOUR FITNESS LEVEL), EXERCISE MAT AND BOTTLE OF WATER.

STEPS ARE PROVIDED. WEAR COMFORTABLE WORKOUT ATTIRE. SNEAKERS REQUIRED - NO STREET SHOES PLEASE!

**TO REGISTER: CONTACT AARON PATT AT THE GREENFIELD TOWN OFFICE. 603.547.3442
MONDAY - THURSDAY 9 TO 5PM**

Note: Step classes will be ongoing throughout the year in 8 week sessions



COUNTRY LINE DANCE LESSONS



Greenfield Meeting House

WHEN: Monday Evenings

TIME: 7:30 pm to 8:30 pm.

SESSION: Nov. 18 to Dec. 23rd

\$40.00 For a Six Week Session

HOSTS: Linda Gray and Cowboy Jim

These lessons are for Extreme Beginner/Couples & Singles so don't worry if you never danced before or whether you have a partner or not. It does not matter!

Come, listen to some great country music and learn the dances you can take anywhere.

You will learn how to kick up your heels and get dancing; the Fun Way to Get in Shape!

Sign up at the Town Office, grab some soft soled shoes and come on down and join us for dancing & shaping...

Have a Question? Contact Linda Gray

Cell: 603-801-8002 or

Email: lindagray09@gmail.com



Miss Laura's School of Dance

Pre-Ballet Classes for ages 3-5 yrs old

12:30 - 1:10 Mondays

at the Greenfield Meeting House

September to June 2014

\$54 per month

Sign up anytime during the year

Call Laura Horne at 320-6786



SCOUTS

If your child is interested in scouts, please contact these people.

Boy Scouts: Mike Borden -

cmrconstservice@gmail.com

Girl Scouts: Ruth Bergmann -

rbergmann@nhbb.com



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Noise: The DPW will only use the property once or twice a year for a period of 1-2 weeks. If there is a service planned during that time, they can be notified and all work will stop for the duration of the service.

Aesthetics: At no time was there any plan to clear cut this property or to make an eyesore of it. The plan was and is to leave a graded buffer along the edge of the cemetery of 50-75 feet and another along Forest Road. As the sand is removed, much of the gradient will be repopulated with trees to guard against erosion. There is also a plan to put in small pines or hemlocks in the spaces between some of the big trees to screen the operation from those that visit the cemetery.

Todd Land Use Consultants and Sanford Engineering were asked for a quote on a surveying and engineering services, which included an Alteration of Terrain permit from DES, and it came in at \$15,600, half the cost of Meridian's.

After considering all the information, it was decided that this project should be brought to Town Meeting. In March of 2013, the warrant article and explanation of the project was brought to the town for a vote and it passed.

The report showed that out of 23 acres, only 5.7 acres would be used. The area is large enough to produce 105,000 cubic yards of sand and gravel yet small enough to protect the lake and the buffer for the cemetery. At today's prices, this would amount to a million dollars of savings for the town. If 4000 yards were used each year, this property could supply the town with sand and gravel for 26 years.

The numbers look like this:

Currently, we are seeing a mix* of 83% sand and 17% gravel
*This mix amount may vary over time.

If we purchased this material at its current mix, the cost would be:

Screened Sand =	\$871,500.00
Bankrun Gravel =	<u>\$160,650.00</u>
	\$1,032,150.00

This is a long term project that could last approximately 26 years depending on how much we use per year. DPW estimates that 4000 yards of these materials are needed during the year depending on the weather. More material could be utilized from this property if needed for road reconstruction. It should also be noted that other materials will need to be purchased for road and property maintenance.

This year, we removed approximately 3000 yards of material from the Forest Road location. If we had purchased this material, it would have cost:

\$24,900 =	Screened Sand
<u>\$4590 =</u>	Bankrun Gravel
\$29,490	

In order to discover the net savings on this material, we must deduct two things from the worth of this material; the cost of the feasibility study and the yearly cost of renting equipment. The study should be spread over the life of the project, in this case 26 years.

The amortized cost of the study comes to \$600 yearly. Add the yearly cost of the excavator and screener of \$3350 and it equals \$3950.

If we deduct this amount from the \$29,490, the net savings comes to \$25,540.

It should be noted that the costs of the town trucks and personnel are not included because the yearly budget is fixed.

In addition, the DPW budget was reduced by \$10,000 at Town Meeting last March.

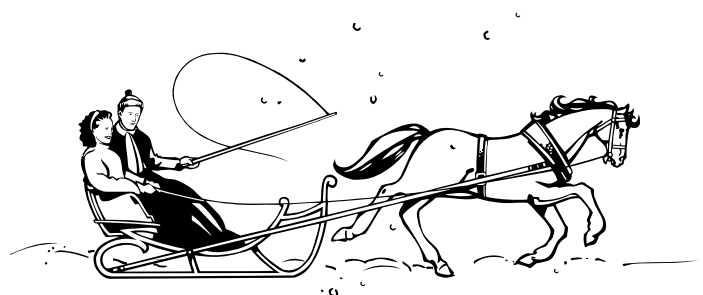
It can be added to the \$25,540 for a total of \$35,540 of savings in 2013. Put another way, there was \$10,000 that was not appropriated for this year's tax rate and \$25,540 worth of sand and gravel that the Town didn't have to pay for. The Board has been criticized for not breaking down the numbers for the time the DPW personnel worked on the project and the cost of the town equipment used. We did not do so because the cost of the DPW is constant year 'round and is already figured into the budget. Consequently, our figures stand. It does not make sense to price out the labor and trucks costs when it would not change anything, the budget would be the same. The benefit is that the cost of the product is not added to the tax rate.

Every year, we work very hard at getting the most out of your tax dollars. We feel like this project is a win-win for the town because it helps to keep the tax rate down by providing material that your tax dollars do not have to buy.

The facts speak for themselves. We have over a million dollars worth of sand and gravel at the Forest Road location. There are a variety of uses for it. We can make it stretch out for 26 years or we could use some of it for badly needed road re-construction, shortening the project's lifespan, but addressing some of the problems we've been facing with the cost of getting our roads in better shape.

The choice will be yours because this may be coming up at Town Meeting again. If you want this project to succeed, you should plan on being there to cast your vote.

The Board of Selectmen





Janet's Planet

Info & Tips on Pets, Wildlife and Eco Issues
by Janet Renaud

Pets

I may sound like a broken record, but...if I see a cat running around loose, I will assume it's a stray. I will post info on the Greenfield blog and send out an e-mail blast, and if nobody responds, the cat will be spayed or neutered (if necessary), and placed in a responsible home. Also, all dogs in Greenfield must have a license! If yours doesn't, contact the Town Clerk (btw, this is not big government - it's community-minded good sense).

Other Pet Notes

- Can you make the grade as a responsible cat owner? If so, contact Kitty Rescue & Adoption in Jaffrey (<http://www.kittyrescueandadoption.org>).
- For all types of pets, visit "our" animal shelter: the Monadnock Humane Society in Swanzey: <http://www.monadpets.org> or 352-9011
- You may qualify for financial help for spaying or neutering your cat or dog! Call Toll Free 1-800-990-SPAY

The ASPCA reports that the top ten substances that poisoned animals included human medications, insecticides and rodent bait, and certain house plants. For more, check ASPCA - <http://www.asPCA.org>

Cold Weather Hazards

- Antifreeze
- Liquid potpourri
- Ice melting products
- Rat and mouse bait

Holiday Hazards for Pets

- Christmas tree water (may contain fertilizers and bacteria, which, if ingested, can upset the stomach.)
- Electrical cords
- Ribbons or tinsel (can become lodged in the intestines and cause intestinal obstruction-most often occurs with kittens!)
- Batteries
- Glass ornaments

Wildlife

Song Bird Feeding - if you are feeding wild birds, remember - it's a commitment! Keep them up, clean and filled until April 1st. I generally get chickadees, goldfinches, juncos, titmice and nuthatches.

Moose - see info in GCC section.

Selected nature observations by the week - adapted from Northern Woodlands

December - week 1: White-crowned sparrows that stop at your feeder may remember it and stop in the spring. These hardy birds breed in the far north.

December - week 2: Possibly the best meteor shower of the year, the Geminid, Dec. 13 & 14

December - week 3: Willow pine cone galls are formed by a small gnat that stimulates the plant to form the gall. Next spring an adult gnat will emerge.

December - week 4: Bobcats are slowed down by as little as six inches of soft snow, which their prey can also hide beneath. When snow is deep they travel on logs and snow-mobile trails.

January - week 1: The long claws of porcupines - four in the front paws and five in the back ones - fit into cracks of bark, enabling them to climb almost any tree.

January - week 2: Pipsissewa keeps its shiny green leaves all winter. Also called prince's pine, it is in the genus *Chimaphila*, from the Greek "to love winter".

January - week 3: Freshly fallen snow absorbs sound with great efficiency; on a still winter night it is said to be quiet enough "to hear a deer mouse snore."

January - week 4: The wood frog, grey tree frog, and spring peeper use glucose as anti-freeze and isolate freezing to the spaces between cells to prevent cell damage. In these species, circulation and heartbeat stop entirely all winter.

Eco Tips from global stewards.org

First: Reduce

Simplify: Simplify your life as much as possible. Only keep belongings that you use/enjoy on a regular basis.

Reduce Purchases: In general, think before you buy any product - do you really need it? Try the 30-Day Rule -- wait 30 days after the first time you decide you want a product to really make your decision. This will eliminate impulse buying.

The Compact: Join or form a Compact in your area - groups all across the globe committing for 12 months to not buy any new products.

Replace Disposables: Wherever possible, replace disposable products with reusable ones (i.e., razor, food storage, batteries, ink cartridges (buy refill ink), coffee filters, furnace or air conditioner filters, etc.).

Second: Reuse

Garage Sales: Shop at and hold garage sales - this is a great way to reuse products.

Reusables: Switch from disposable to reusable products: food and beverage containers, cups, plates, writing pens, razors, diapers, towels, shopping bags, etc.

Donations: Donate (and buy used):

household items - clothes, furniture, dishes, books, sports equipment, magazines, appliances, electronics, business attire, wedding attire, etc. (to charity)

women's business attire (to Dress for Success)

computer equipment

cell phones, cameras, iPod/MP3 Players, laptops, PDAs (to Recycling for Charities)

Third: Recycle

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Recycle Bins: Create designated holding "bins" for each type of recycled product and place in convenient locations in your home/garage

Recycling - GREENFIELD RECYCLES!!!

Recycled Content: Ask your local retailers to stock more products made from recycled materials and buy products made from the highest recycled content whenever possible.

Green Paper: In general, try to buy products/containers made from recycled material as often as possible to support the recycled product market. When purchasing paper products (toilet paper, etc.), look for paper that has been recycled using a minimum of 50% post-consumer waste. Also, purchase from companies that do not use chlorine to bleach their paper products (which creates dioxin waste).

GREENFIELD HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWS

John Emerson - Hotel Owner

John Emerson was a conductor on the Boston and Maine Railroad. In 1881, he bought the Mayfield House on "Main Street" (today known as Forest Road). The town history indicates that a hotel/tavern had been on this site for nearly a century. One tavern burned prior to 1824, but an ell survived. The ell was used by the new owner, John Carlin, in the new tavern. John Emerson bought the property from a H.H. Duncklee. Mr. Emerson remodeled the building extensively, both inside and out. The old ell was moved to Slip Road where it stands today as a part of a home.

Emerson's Mayfield Hotel prospered and was a popular place for summer boarders to stay. It burned in 1896. However, the barn, which had been a livery stable, was not destroyed. In 1953, the barn was taken down by Chet Russell who owned the property. The house that was built to replace the hotel is now owned by Dale Russell.

John Emerson built a new hotel on land currently owned by the State of NH for the Greenfield State Park boat launch road. It had several owners and was known as the Hollywood Lodge at one time. As part of lands purchased for the development of the state part, the property was sold to the state by John T. Robertson in the late 1950's.

One man recalled that his father didn't want him near the place; the boy would be whipped if he went by it. The man further explained that his father's warning was based on the premise that a nudist group resided there at times.

The Third Annual Train Show was a good event for the Historical Society. An estimated 150 people enjoyed the Milford-Bennington Train, the displays, slide shows, and raffles. Perfect fall weather added to everyone's enjoyment, and it was great to see so many families visiting the show.

The Museum is now open the last Saturday (11 AM - 1 PM) of

every month with the exception of December. On those Saturdays, we also schedule a work bee beginning around 9 AM. Such tasks as photo identification, filing and sorting are undertaken during these sessions. Anyone is welcome to join us and help. During the milder weather, a lot of work was also done on the flowerbeds and grounds.

The barn is completely finished! The structure has been electrified and the exterior, stained. We are looking forward to creating exhibits in the barn. Only the lower level will be utilized for public displays since the upper level does not meet ADA compliance standards. That will be useful storage space.

For information or appointments to visit the Museum, call Lenny at 547-2198. Jane, at 547-2759, handles membership.

TOWN TRIVIA

In 1969, the State Park was opened for use by snow-mobiles (or ski-mobiles). Calls to Frankestown were no longer a toll call: they were no longer a part of the New Boston Exchange system.

TOWN SIGN DONATIONS

Before we spend budget dollars to replace the Town sign on the Peterborough line, we were asked to request donations to keep this item out of the budget.

If anyone would like to donate money for this purpose, please see Aaron Patt at the Town Office: 547-3442.

The Greenfield Board of Selectmen

Greenfield Clothes Closet

12 Depot Drive

Open Saturdays, 10:00 am - Noon

A variety of gently used clothing is available at low prices.

All proceeds go to the Food Pantry.

Greenfield Community Food Pantry

12 Depot Drive

Open Saturdays, 10:00 am - Noon

Food is available to anyone in need.

To Donate Food:

Non-perishable foods may be left in the drop-off boxes available at the Greenfield Post Office or at the Ministry Office

The Food Pantry and Clothes Closet are sponsored by the Greenfield Congregational Covenant Church
Ministry Office: 12 Depot Drive, PO Box 341
Office hours: M, T, and F from 9:00 am to noon

Phone: (603)547-3626

Email: gccc@greenfieldchurch.org
website: greenfieldchurch.org

Sunday Worship Services 10:00 am at
Crotched Mountain Rehabilitation Center

ALL ARE WELCOME!



Greenfield Elementary PTO Corner

December/January Events

- Dec 14th - Greenfield Holiday Event & Children's Shoppe
- Dec 23rd - 31st - GES Closed for Holidays, No School
- Jan 10th - NHDI Performance

You may have seen in the Ledger-Transcript that we have been awarded a \$4,500 Artist in Residence Grant from the N.H. State Council on the Arts in support of our glass and paint mosaic mural project entitled "Trees and their Eco-Systems Through the Seasons." We're very excited to bring this fabulous program to our community, and look forward to seeing everyone at our unveiling ceremony at GES this upcoming spring. More on this project throughout the year!

We've had a great fall, with a spectacular Harvest Fair and some really fun family events, like our "Reading Under the Stars" Family Reading Night and annual Halloween parade. In addition to funding events and class book budgets, we were also able to purchase two new picnic tables for the school playground. This incremental support for our school and students is only possible through our great fundraising programs and community support. Thank you for collecting BoxTops, using our Amazon link, and everything else you do. We'd especially like to thank some very special local businesses who went over and above at this year's Harvest Fair to help make us a success:

- The Riverhouse Café, Envisage Nail Spa & Boutique, and Forget Me Not Antiques & Collectibles each provided special services during the event and donated 10% of their day's proceeds
- Kilkenny Farms donated ponies and handlers to enable a pony ride, with proceeds to benefit the PTO

Our next community event will be our annual Holiday Event, including the always popular Children's Holiday Shoppe! All are welcome to join us for holiday fun the afternoon of December 14th at the Meeting House. And we'll kick off 2014 with a bang with our annual NHDI performance, with PTO bake sale and performance DVDs, on January 10th.

As always, for the latest and greatest on everything PTO please come see us at Facebook or on our website: gespto.my-pto.org. And for some easy ways to support our school, check out the sidebar on this page. Wishing you and yours Happy Holidays!!

~ Your GES PTO

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Amazon Fundraiser

GES earned another \$65 through our community members using our custom link to do their Amazon shopping in Sept-Oct! If you are an Amazon shopper, check out how on our PTO website: gespto.my-pto.org.

It's easy and free - be sure to spread the word to family and friends!!



BoxTops4Education

Thanks to everyone who collected BoxTops for us this fall! We turned in over 3,000 BoxTops in our Fall submission - which means over \$300 in earnings for GES! BoxTops can be brought in by students or turned in at the school, the library, the town offices, and the recycling center. They add up fast and every cent goes to our school.

Thanks so much for your support!

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.

www.greenfield-nh.gov/



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!

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."

What other things does the GCC do?...

For one thing, GCC advises residents when they want to place their land under conservation easement. A Conservation easement is a legal process which permanently protects a parcel of land from EVER being developed, while the landowner retains ownership. What could be better? Many times, the landowner welcomes low-impact recreation, so it's win-win-win! A small portion of the Land Use Change Tax revenue goes to the GCC, specifically for this type of assistance. This process, which is a state law adopted by the Town of Greenfield, charges a fee whenever a piece of land is taken out of current use for development.

Thinking of harvesting timber on your land? The GCC hosted a program in October about harvesting timber on your woodlot, with a special guest, Eric Johnson of the New Hampshire Timberland Owners Association and Karla Allen, our Town Forester. Do you know Karla? She can answer any of your questions, and can be reached at karla@garlandlumber.net, or 603-662-5646. There's also a lot of great info on the website of UNH Cooperative Extension - you can go to <http://extension.unh.edu/Selling-Timber>. There is also a booklet available at the Town Office and at the Library, for those without access to the internet.

Selected upcoming regional events

Forest Society Events - check <http://www.forestsociety.org/thingstodo/>

Of course, it's great to keep it local by buying a Christmas tree in our area. But if you're interested in a new adventure...

...ever been to The Rocks Estate in Bethlehem? It's a bit of a haul, but they have the ultimate choose-and-cut Christmas trees! Take the family and make a day of it!

Tag-Your-Own and Choose-and-Cut Christmas Trees

Through Tuesday, December 24

The Rocks Estate, Bethlehem

The Rocks will open to tag-your-own tree customers weekends from September 28 through October 20. Visitors are welcome to select a tree in the field and decorate it with personal flair, then return beginning November 23 to cut and buy their tagged tree. The Rocks' shops, featuring handmade and unique holiday and gift items, will be open weekends after November 23 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

For tree seekers who want to cut their own Christmas tree or select one from the retail lot at The Rocks, the farm opens for the season November 23 and will be open daily (except for Thanksgiving Day) through December 24. Horse-drawn wagon rides are offered weekends through December 21. For more information visit www.TheRocks.org.

Exhibits at the Forest Society Conservation Center

54 Portsmouth Street
Concord, NH 03301
603-224-9945

Exhibits are open for viewing weekdays 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. A percentage of sales will benefit the work of the Forest Society.

Please call 603-224-9945 before visiting as the exhibit room may be in use. It also serves as a meeting space.

Pastel Paintings of Linda Dessaint

November and December

Linda Dessaint of Antrim expresses her deep love for the New England landscape through beautiful pastel paintings evoking the joy she finds in nature. She is a member of the New Hampshire Pastel Society, the Monadnock Area Art Association and the Pastel Painters of Maine (signature membership). For more information about her work, visit www.lindadessaint.com.

Harris Center Events - <http://www.harriscenter.org/calendar>

83 King's Highway, Hancock, NH 03449

Phone (603) 525-3394

Thursday, December 5: 7:00pm

"Bag It!" film showing

Friday, December 6: 9:00am

Easy-Going Hike on Mount Watatic

Tuesday, December 10: 7:00pm

The Biology of Beavers

Thursday, December 12: 1:00pm

Natural Resource Inventory Poster Presentation

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3:30pm

Natural Resource Inventory Poster Session:

7:00pm

Climate Change and Sustainable Energy Speakers Series III:
Local Solutions

Saturday, December 14: 8:00am

40th Annual Christmas Bird Count for Hancock,
Peterborough, and Surrounding Towns

Friday, January 3, 2014: 10:00am

Easy-Going Hike in Jaffrey

UNH-Cooperative Extension Forest/Wildlife events - See the link below - there are many events and workshops. Many are in Durham, but there are some nearby.

Thursday, December 5th: 7:00 to 8:30pm

"Bag It" Film Showing

Location: Shieling State Forest, Old Street Road,
Peterborough, NH, 03458

Americans use 60,000 plastic bags every five minutes - single-use disposable plastic bags that we mindlessly throw away. But where is "away"? Where do the bags and other plastics end up, and at what cost to wildlife and human health? Bag It follows "everyman" Jeb Berrier as he tries to make sense of our dependence on plastic bags. Jeb's journey in this feature-length, award-winning documentary film starts with simple questions: Are plastic bags really necessary? What are they made from? What happens to them after they're discarded? When Jeb's explorations take a personal twist, we see how our crazy-for-plastic world has finally caught up with us and what we can do about it, starting now.

Saturday, April 05, 2014

Saving Special Places 2014 Land Conservation Conference
(All day)

SAVE The DATE - more information will follow.

Location: Laconia Middle School, 150 McGrath St., Laconia,
NH, 03246

Sponsored by: UNH Cooperative Extension

For more information call: 603-641-6060

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

Spotlight on...Setting the Record Straight -

The Future of Moose in NH Is Uncertain

adapted from Fish & Game - Wildlife article

The status of New Hampshire's moose population has been getting a great deal of attention lately, as public awareness grows regarding the impact of winter tick and other challenges facing moose populations across the country. Longtime moose biologist Kristine Rines of Fish & Game answers the following questions.

Are moose about to disappear from the New Hampshire landscape?

In the long-term, it is uncertain. The peak population for

moose in New Hampshire in 1996 was about 7,600 moose in the state. The current moose population stands at about 4,400. A major goal is to reduce moose-vehicle collisions. However, other forms of moose mortality appear to be on the increase.

Are moose numbers down throughout the state?

Most concern is about the White Mountains and central New Hampshire, where there have been significant reductions. It is believed that these areas are likely being hit with the double-whammy of both winter tick and brainworm. Other parts of the state are either at, or slightly below desired levels.

People say they are not seeing as many moose in the North Country as they used to. Is this because moose numbers are down?

Yes, but currently, moose are at desired levels in the Connecticut Lakes most of the North region. So far, dramatic declines are in the White Mountain and Central regions.

How big a problem is winter tick?

In New Hampshire, winters are growing shorter, snow arrives later and melts earlier. Based on research northern moose experience occasional increased mortality from winter tick. In the North and Connecticut Lakes Region reduced body weights and reduced reproduction are being seen - mainly due to winter tick.

What does the future look like for the New Hampshire moose hunt?

There is concern. Moose numbers are below desired levels in several regions, and moose weights and reproduction are down. In response, permits have been reduced from 675 to 275 permits issued in 2012-2013. New Hampshire's moose population may continue to decline. If permit reductions don't work, things could change appreciably. The moose population will be monitored closely; if it keeps declining, permits will be reduced accordingly in an effort to maintain moose on our landscape.

What's happening with moose in other states?

Moose in several areas are declining. Minnesota, where winter tick and brainworm are significant factors, has ended its moose hunting season because of rapidly declining regional populations. Nova Scotia has seen dramatic reductions in some moose populations. Maine's southern moose population is seeing significant winter tick infestations. Other states and provinces on the southern edge of moose range are also seeing reductions in some of their moose herds.

Is this trend being driven by climate change?

As our weather changes, with winters growing shorter and temperatures on the rise, moose mortality increases and reproduction decreases. The effect of other factors on moose may also be changing with the climate. Research done here and in Minnesota suggests that other infections and parasites are contributing to increased mortality and reduced reproductive rates.

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Is there anything we can do to prevent winter tick?

Winter ticks are dependent on two things: moose density and weather. The fewer moose there are, the mortality rate from winter tick goes down because there are not as many ticks. In southwestern and southeastern New Hampshire, moose rarely die from winter tick. The moose density at which that starts to occur is quite low, however. The other thing to do is try to address climate change.

Could you tell us about the major new research effort underway?

Fish and Game is partnering with the University of New Hampshire in a major new research effort. Funded entirely by federal Wildlife Restoration dollars, this project updates and enhances prior research. Over a two-year period, radio collars will be placed on 80-90 adult moose cows and calves. Collared animals will be tracked for four years to determine how long the individuals live; and when they die, along with cause of death. This will help determine what the mortality rate and causes are. It has increased since the last mortality research project. Is mortality is being caused by winter tick or other factors? These answers will inform future management decisions.

What do you hope to gain by this research?

To find out whether the increase in mortality and reduction in reproductive success is because of winter tick, or if there are additional disease and parasite problems or other causes of mortality that weren't being seen a few years ago. If this trend is driven primarily by winter tick, then every year will be different because weather is such a big player. This information will help the moose management team anticipate and respond to changing moose mortality and productivity. New Hampshire moose are in decline in many regions but they won't be gone tomorrow. It is uncertain what the future holds, but it is hoped that a combination of research and management efforts enable F&G to secure the future of New Hampshire's invaluable moose resources.



RECYCLING CENTER NEWS

Can you believe it is the Holiday Season already! There will be parties and family gatherings everywhere.

Let's hope for good traveling, good weather, good times, and good memories. All this goodness leads to trash and lots and lots of recycling. You laugh, but it is true! Thanks to your diligence, it all gets done. It's been a pleasure for me to watch the different ideas you have to organize your recyclables within your own homes. You are really very creative.

We have a new employee at the center. His name is Patrick Greene and he resides in Bennington. He is enthusiastic about recycling and eager to learn. He will be working inside every Saturday for a while - so when you have a chance - give Patrick a warm welcome to Greenfield.

I will be gone for a short while as of the first of December, so you will be seeing Ray, Billy and Patrick at the center. They will help you with your questions and if needed will direct you where items are to be deposited.

WINTER HOURS:

Hours: Tuesday 8am - Noon, Thursday 1pm - 5 pm, and Saturday 8am - 4pm.

Please arrive 15 minutes before closing to allow adequate time for taking care of your load.

HOLIDAY HOURS:

Our hours will not be effected by the holidays since they come on Wednesdays and we aren't open to the public then.

A few quick reminders: All recycled containers must be empty and rinsed. This is a safety and health issue.

Please also remember the wrapping paper must go in the trash due to the type of ink and foil content in the paper.

DO YOU KNOW?

All regular size Crayola crayons are wholly made in the USA in Easton, Pa. at the rate of 8500 per minute. The Crayola solar farm provides enough power to make 1 billion Crayola crayons and 500 million markers a year! Look for the specially marked boxes.

USED OIL: We are in need of used motor oil for heating the building.

METAL CONTAINER: Please have all your metal items checked.

BICYCLES & LAWN MOWERS: Please see attendant. All oil and gasoline must be drained.

ELECTRONICS: Please see attendant. Fees are associated with the disposal of these items and it is unlawful to dispose of them in the trash compactor. They also cannot be deposited in the metal container.

I wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

We are always open to suggestions.

Carol Burgess

Billy Robbins

Patrick Greene

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Greenfield

For info, call Evelyn 547-3556

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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

LIBRARY CALENDAR AND NEW BOOKS

DECEMBER

Wed, 4th

- 6:00 pm GES PTO, Wensberg Room
- 6:00 pm Karen Russell's Water Color, Reading Room
- 7:00 pm Library Trustee Meeting

Fri, 6th

- 3:30 pm Brownies After School, Wensberg Room, Public Access Computer Reserve

DEADLINE FOR LADYBUG AWARD VOTING FOR K- 3rd Grade

Sat, 14th

- 8:00 am Planning Board - Wensberg Room
- 7:00 pm CUG Computer User's Group - Best Upgrades

Wed, 18th

- 4:30 pm Toven, Library Dog, Read & Visit
- 8:30 am GIVers Meeting
- 7:00 pm Friends of the Library Meeting

Thurs, 19th

- 4:30 pm 3rd Thursday LEGO Club Info & Build

Fri, 20th

- 3:30 pm Brownies Afterschool, Wensberg Room
- 7:00 pm Book Group Break until the New Year - Mail your Titles to Gail

Sat, 21st

- Third Saturday Creative Time, Reading Room, Wintery Inspirations

CLOSED CHRISTMAS DAY

STAY WELL & ENJOY YOUR FAMILY TRADITIONS

Thurs, 26th

- No family story time - enjoy your families holiday traditions

Library will have drop in craft table and LEGOS during school vacation.

JANUARY

Wed, 1st

- 7:00 pm Library Trustees Meeting

Wed, 15th

- 8:30 am GIVers Meeting
- 7:00 pm Friends of the Library Meeting

Thurs, 16th

- 4:30 pm 3rd Thurs LEGO Club

Sat, 18th

- 11:00 am Creative Time, Reading Room, Resolve to be Creative
- Pinterest Nails n Fails showntell

Wed, 22nd

- 9:30 am Monadnock Quilters - Meeting

Wed, 29th

- 7:00 pm Book Group

Children's

J Fiction Michael Rex, Icky Ricky and Fangbone
Magic Tree House #50, Hurry up, Houdini
Kinney's Wimpy Kid #8, Hard Luck
Saenz, Aristototele and Dante discover the secret of the universe
Ladybug Award Nominees in Picture book for voters in Kindergarten - 3rd Grade
Messner, Over and under the snow
Jeffers, Stuck
Creepy Carrots
Too Tall Houses
Extra Yarn
Have Fun Molly Lou Mellon
If All the Animals Came Inside
Joyce, Fantastic Flying Books of Morris Lessmore
Carnesi, Little Dog Lost
Chopsticks

Young Adult

Flannagan's Royal Ranger, #12 in Ranger's Apprentice
Tim Sharp, Spectacular Now
Rave Reviews for Cassandra Clare at the Movies, Can't wait to see Ender's Game on the big screen.
Book Thief by Zusack is in theaters. Come n get it if you need to read it first.

Adult

Wally Lamb, We are Water
Kimberly McCreight, Reconstructing Amelia
Liane Moriarty, Husband's Secret
Erin Kelly, The Burning Air
Lori Spielman, The Life List
Jordan Belfort, The Wolf of Wall Street
Lourdes B. Aviles, Taken by storm 1938 Social and Meteorological History of the Great New England Hurricane.
Richard C. Harwood, Work of Hope; How individuals & organizations can authentically do good (copy in library and at town offices)
Brenda Knight The Grateful Table: Blessings, Prayers and Graces for the Daily Meal.

Monadnock Humane Society's Handcrafted for the Holidays Craft Fair!

Saturday, December 7th 10am-3pm
at the MHS Adoption & Learning Center
in Swanzey (just past Market Basket on Route 10)

Bring Your Family and Friends for a day of Holiday Fun!

- ❁ Over 48 Local Crafters
- ❁ Amazing Bake Sale
- ❁ Special Adoption Offers
- ❁ Delicious Hot Lunch at Alice's Restaurant
- ❁ Holiday Pet Portraits
- ❁ Holiday Raffle
- ❁ Plenty of Parking
- ❁ Admission is FREE!



All proceeds from this event go directly to the care of the homeless animals!

101 W. Swanzey Rd., Swanzey, NH 03446, 603.352.9011, ext. 115
www.monadnockhumanesociety.org

SPIRIT DEADLINES

January 1st for Feb/Mar

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

G•R•E•E•N•F•I•E•L•D HAPPENINGS

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

Browse at your leisure or sign up for automatic email updates at

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words). Thanks.**

DISTRICT STUDY COMMITTEE 2013-2014 VISIONING GUIDE

As a member of the Selectboard, I am also the Greenfield Selectman's Advisory Committee (SAC) Representative . This SAC Committee has a sub-committee, the District Study Committee, which I also sit on. We have been tasked with studying a few areas of the district. Reaching out to residents; the guide is outlined below and I am hopeful residents will return their thoughts to me.

Committee Goal: To study how to deliver the highest quality educational services to every student, while taking all opportunities to limit current and/or future expenses.

Scope: Three Areas of Focus:

While each of these focal areas are part of the District Study Committee's charge from the ConVal School Board, local feedback and preference will determine where the Committee's efforts are placed and will be reflected in findings and reports.

1. Consolidation/Reconfiguration of Schools: As with the 2012 Study Committee, the 2013 District Study Committee will continue to look at what makes sense and whether any community would consider closing a local school under any conditions. This focus area may involve setting criteria for closure and evaluating schools, conducting public surveys, hosting community listening sessions, and providing answers to basic questions related to consolidation. A report of Committee findings, including no consolidations, may be made to the ConVal School Board for their consideration. Consideration of potential educational benefits, financial savings, and efficiencies will all be reviewed.

2. Conduct Operational Reviews (to increase "efficiency"): ConVal is a large district with many moving parts. The operational review will encompass how the district operates facilities and purchases services (e.g., oil), as well as how the district may avoid increases in future operational costs by making smart investments. This review will take into consideration existing strategic plans.

3. Increase Enrollment in Schools: While enrollment has leveled off in the elementary schools, overall enrollment has fallen significantly since 1992. The Committee may embark on a series of efforts to highlight ConVal's many strengths and market them regionally; survey parents that remain residents but have left ConVal District for other schools; recommend local planning and zoning changes to make housing more affordable; work with a variety of private and public partners to enhance ConVal's image as a leading educational institution.

THREE QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER:

1. Did you see/complete the last survey? What did you think of that survey tool and the questions?

2. After reading what our goal is and understanding our limited scope, which of the three priority areas (consideration/reconfiguration, operation and organizational review and increasing enrollment) would you like us to focus on. While we can work on all three, the hope is that we can clearly focus on one or two areas.

3. Please explain how you would like us to focus and how you would like to see this committee move forward.

I appreciate any/every bit of feedback received from all residents and look forward to hearing from you.

You can contact me either via email: debdaidsongreenfield@hotmail.com; 1st class mail to Debra Davidson, Selectwoman, Town of Greenfield, PO Box 256, Greenfield, NH 03047 or leaving your thoughts and comments with Aaron Patt at the Greenfield Town Office.

Again, thank you for taking the time to provide your feedback and allowing this Committee to move forward.

Respectfully,
Debra Davidson

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