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NOTICE of PUBLIC HEARING

All residents of Greenfield are invited to a meeting for the purpose of discussing the proposed 2012 Annual Budget on Thursday, February 9, 2012 at 6:30 PM at the Town Offices.

Per order of the Board of Selectmen

TOWN MEETING

Tuesday - March 13, 2012 polls open 10:00 AM - 7:00 PM at the Meeting House for Town Meeting to vote on elected officials, zoning amendments & any ballot items, adjourn meeting until:

Saturday - March 17, 2012 @ 9:00 AM Town Meeting reconvenes to vote on warrant articles at the Meeting House. All newly elected town officials will be sworn in after the meeting.

MASTER PLAN UPDATE

2012 promises to be a busy year for the Planning Board. Working with the Southwest Regional Planning Commission, we will be updating our most recent Master Plan that was approved in 2003. Our current plan does not contain a "Vision" section, now required by RSA, which will be the first section we will be working on. Visioning is a process by which a community decides the future it wants and then plans how to achieve it. Community visioning projects can take a variety of forms and are unique to each locality, but most visioning processes generally ask four fundamental questions:

(1) Where are we now?

(2) Where are we going?

(3) Where do we want to be? and

(4) How do we get there?

"The primary purpose of a visioning process should be to develop a set of vision statements, community goals, and objectives that best articulate the desires of the citizens about the future of the community. These vision statements serve to direct the other sections of the master plan, as required by RSA 674:2 II. They offer the guiding principles and priorities upon which the master plan is based." (NH Office of Energy and Planning Reference Library: "Preparing a Master Plan for Your Community")

In conjunction with this section, we will also be working on a Land Use Section, including a discussion of our commercial/industrial zoning districts. Through public meetings, photo activities and other forms of information gathering, the Planning Board will be seeking information from the public to help answer these basic of questions. Watch for notices of these upcoming events.

Zoning amendments

At a sparsely attended public hearing on January 9, 2012, the Planning Board presented four changes to the Zoning Ordinance being proposed on the 2012 Town meeting Election Ballot.

One change, proposed by public petition, asks that construction of Telecommunications Towers in the General Residence District be permit-

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PUBLIC NOTICE CONVAL SCHOOL BOARD DELIBERATIVE SESSION

This is the meeting that gives every resident the opportunity to vote on the **2012 Proposed Budget of the ConVal School Board** that will be on the ConVal Warrant at the polls on March 13th. The school portion of the tax rate is the largest part of your tax bill. This meeting is the only chance you have to change the warrant. Mark your calendar. Everyone has a vote!

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2012 7:00 PM AT CONVAL HIGH SCHOOL PETERBOROUGH



The Greenfield Spirit

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E-mail text to: greenfieldnbbos@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

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 January 1st for the Feb/Mar Issue.

SPIRIT DEADLINE March 1, 2012 for the Apr/May Issue Will cover events between April 1 to May 31, 2012

If you wish to get your news into the Spirit, make sure you send or deliver your information to the Town Office by March 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 the Town Office at 547-3442 or Karen Day at 547-2985.

TOWN DIRECTORY EMERGENCY NUMBERS STEPHENSON MEMORI Mandari 12mm \$100 nmm

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TOWN OFFICES BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Executive Select Board meetings are every other Thursday at 6:30 pm unless otherwise posted. Select Board: Aaron Kullgren, Chair, Karen Day and Rob Wimpory Aaron Patt, Town Administrator Email: greenfieldnhbos@myfairpoint.net Town Offices open: Mon.-Thurs 9am - 5pm. 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 Call 547-3442

BUILDING INSPECTOR

Insp's by Appt/as needed Inspector - Peter Hopkins 547-3449 Cell: 582-9521 Email: pwhopkins4@netzero.com

CONSERVATION COMMISSION AND OPEN SPACE COMMITTEE Meets 4th Wed. of the Month at 7:30 pm Chair: Carol Irvin Tel: 547-2037

Email: Cirvin@mathematica-mpr.com

DPW Director: Tim Murray Tel: 547-3504 Email: greenfield.nh.dpw@myfairpoint.net

FIRE DEPARTMENT Business Mtg. 1st Tues of month at 7pm Training 2nd & 3rd Tues of month at 7pm Equipment check 4th Tues of month at 7pm Chief: Loren White H: 547-6874 W: 673-2601 Cell: 562-5007 Office: 547-3501 Fax: 547-6396 Emergency Dispatch: 352-1100 or 911 Email: ldw13@myfairpoint.net

FOR BURN PERMITS CALL: Cliff Russell, Warden - 547-2722 Deputies: Lennie Weeks, 352-2838 Aaron Harris, 852-2914 Al Burtt, 547-3839 Chad Murray, 831-4977 Jim Morris, 721-2730 STEPHENSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY Monday 12pm - 8:00 pm, Wednesday 10:30 am to 8 pm, Friday 10:30 to 5 pm Librarian - Gail Smith Tel: 547-2790 Monthly meetings at the library Library Trustees 1st Wed at 7:00 pm Friends of the Library 3rd Wed 7pm Email: stephensonlib@myfairpoint.net

PLANNING BOARD

Meetings 2nd & 4th Mon. each month 7pm 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

POLICE DEPARTMENT

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

RECYCLING CENTER

Hours: Tuesday 8:00 to 12:00 pm Thursday 1:00 to 5:00 pm Saturday 8:00 to 4:00 pm Stickers for residents at the Town Office. Supervisor: Carol Burgess Tel: 547-8617 Email: greenfieldnhrecycling@myfairpoint.net

SCHOOL BOARD REP: John Gryval

jgryval@conval.edu

TOWN CLERK (Registrations)

Mon. 6:00 to 7:30 pm Thurs. 9am to noon and 6pm to 7:30pm 1st & 3rd Sat. from 9:00 to noon Town Clerk - Dee Sleeper Tel: 547-2782 Fax: 547-2782 Email: greenfieldnhtc@myfairpoint.net

TAX COLLECTOR

Mon. 1:00pm to 7:30pm Thursday 6:00pm to 7:30pm 3rd Saturday 9:00am to Noon Tax Collector - Kathleen Valliere Tel: 547-2782 Fax: 547-2782 Email: greenfieldnhtaxes@myfairpoint.net

WELFARE DEPT.

Welfare Director: Pat LaPree Walk-in Hours: Tues- 3-5 pm 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

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ted only after receiving a special exception from the Zoning Board of Adjustment.Currently, Telecommuni cations Towers can be developed in the General Residence District without such special exception. The Planning Board supports this petition and voted to recommend this change to the public.

Two other changes being brought forward by the Planning Board included:

1. A restriction on the placement of storage containers or unregistered trailers within the setbacks that are currently required in various districts.

2. Clarification of language in the Crotched Mountain Rehabilitation and Education District permitting "...special use regulations and dimensional requirements..." within the district.

Finally, in the 2003 Master Plan, one of our goals was to propose the acceptance of a Groundwater protection ordinance. Since November, 2009, the Planning Board and the Greenfield Conservation Commission have worked closely with Southwest Regional Planning Commission and the State DES (Drinking Water and Groundwater Bureau) to develop a Groundwater Protection Ordinance for the Town of Greenfield. This year, we are bringing it before the voters. Please take the time to review the ordinance available on line or at the Town Office, where you can find copies of the proposed ordinance as well as a map defining the areas directly affected.

Bob Marshall, Chair

HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWS

SCHOOLS

Before the town was incorporated in 1791, most reading and writing was taught at home - as time from chores allowed. On the farms, clearing land, planting, and harvesting took up a great portion of time.

In 1792, a committee was formed and the town was divided into districts for schools. Seven districts were created, at this time, throughout the town within its borders. An amount of thirty pounds was raised by the town to support the schools.

As one person recalled, the buildings housing the schools were very crude. The structures were primitive log shelters; wind and snow came into the building between the logs. Fireplaces were the original heat source. Eventually, wood stoves were installed. Wood was cut and split by the older boys.

Seats for the students were planks. A pail of water with one dipper provided drinking water. A birch rod was utilized to keep students alert at all times. Prior to 1789, reading and writing were the only required subjects. Then, arithmetic was "added". However, female teachers at first were not required to teach arithmetic.

The school year was two terms long. One term was in the summer and the other, in the winter. Most likely, though, the terms were actually late fall and spring. Usually, the female teachers handled the summer term. Males typically instructed in the winter, as that was the time that the big boys would be attending. Male teachers or masters were paid substantially more than their female counterparts often as much as twice as much per month.

Find out more about Greenfield's early schools in our town history or schedule an appointment to view the exhibit at the Museum.

The new barn should be totally enclosed by the time you are reading this. The students have had an unique opportunity in raising the structure using historical methods. Most of them will probably have little timber framing experiences in their future following their graduation, but this construction will always be a part of their life's experience.

To complete the barn, we will likely continue to hold some more fundraising events in the coming months. Look for posters, press coverage announcing these events. Of course, donations toward completing the barn continue to be gratefully accepted. We are most appreciative of the generous support the project has generated. For information about the Society or to schedule an appointment to see the museum, please call Lenny at 547-2198 or Jane at 547-2759. Jane accepts memberships to the Society.



RECYCLING **C**ENTER NEWS

We are now on the downside of winter to spring! Winter seems to be a good time for staying inside and tackling the job of cleaning out closets. Gee whiz no matter the time of year, season, or type of household chore - there is always trash to deal with. Remember to check on what, where, and how your items can be recycled.

The Budget Committee has proposed introducing a Pay As You Throw program to Greenfield. I would like to briefly describe this program to you. Pay-As-You-Throw (PAYT) has be come quite popular due to the economic climate as well as the environmental commitment of communities across America. This program has shown results in saving money as well as increasing revenues. Remember the less you put into the trash, the more you save and, the more you save your town in disposal fees. Along with this, the more you recycle, the more revenues you create for your town.

Under this program the town will provide specially marked trash bags for purchase in various locations in town including the Recycling Center. Then all you have to do is to purchase the bags, instead of the ones you use now,

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PUBLIC NOTICE WINTER PARKING BAN

By order of the Board of Selectmen, the Town of Greenfield, NH 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, 2011 through April 1, 2012. This is to allow plowing of the streets during snowstorms.

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to dispose of your trash. It's pretty simple and a win-win for the town and your taxes.

Winter Hours: Please remember Thursdays hours are now 1 pm to 5 pm until April 1st.

Here are a few facts: 80% of trash is recyclable but only an average of 28% is recycled.

Hawaii now has plastics washing up on its beaches! There goes my dream vacation - it will have to be a workcation, a Hawaiian work out due to the eruption of plastic on the beaches.

Do you know? 1 out of 5 plastic bottles are recycled, which equals only a 22% recycled rate. Ten plastic bottles equals 1 pound of flake (shredded plastic) and 1 Gaylord (4'x 4' x 4' box) equals 1,000 pounds of flake, which equals 20,000 bottles. This can be used to manufacture 500 T-shirts.

And did you know that Budweiser has a 95% energy savings by using recycled aluminum cans to manufacture their own cans.

Other Information of Interest: The Household Hazardous Waste program will start again in April in Keene. Dates will be available soon.

A few quick reminders:

MINI MALL: No items such as these can be left in the Mini Mall: microwaves, electronics of any sort, clothing, bedding and furniture. Also remember items that are dirty, wet, moldy, broken, or missing pieces will not be reused. Please seek advise on how to better recycle these items. Broken glass was again discovered in a box - small children love to pick through the boxes. Your attention to safety and neatness is appreciated.

USED OIL: Please set containers in the plastic tray by the door. Besides motor oil I can also burn kerosene, diesel fuel, hydraulic and transmission oil. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

METAL PILE: Please have your metal checked before placing any item in the pile. NO gas tanks are to be left unless they are checked first.

BICYCLES & LAWN MOWERS: Please have all lawn mowers checked before dropping them off.

BURN PILE: NO plywood, treated lumber, painted or stained lumber, or laminates in the burn pile. This is the state law. Some of the pallets from wood stove pellets have plywood on them; these cannot be put into the burn pile. Please check where to dispose of these.

COMPACTOR: Greenfield has mandatory recycling in place. Please remember NO ashes in this container.

MIXED PAPER: If you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask.

ALUMINUM CANS: PLEASE do your best to empty and rinse the cans.

PLASTICS: PLEASE rinse and drain all recycled containers.

Leave the caps on the containers that are not completely drained and rinsed of laundry, dish, or bath soaps and oil containers, as I will finish draining them inside.

We cannot recycle plastic bags of any sort or styrofoam food or meat trays.

TIN/STEEL CANS: Please ask where to dispose of metal paint cans, pans, and other metal containers that are non-food related.

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

FEES: I am still accepting the punch cards as payment, so if you have these please use them.

CARDBOARD: ANY type of cardboard can be put in the window. If it is corrugated - put it thru the window. The only exceptions are pieces completely wet or contaminated with paint, motor oil, meat juices or animal droppings.

Thank you for your efforts and cooperation in recycling.

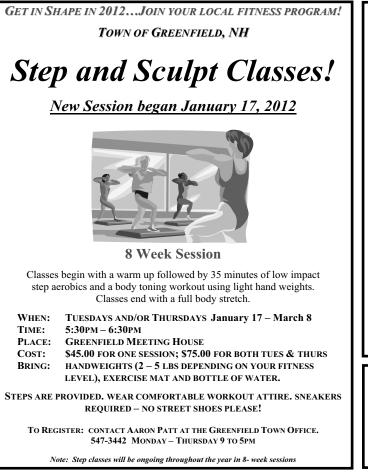
I will gladly answer any questions and I am always open for suggestions.

Carol Burgess

Greenfield's 5th Annual Variety Show! April 14th, 2012 Sat. **Greenfield Meeting House** 7:00 pm Admission: \$1 and a canned good for the Greenfield Food Bank Doors Open at 6:15 pm Snacks and drinks will be available for sale. Have an "Act"? Want to participate in the Variety Show this year? Contact Dorene Adams at 547-2706 or email: dorene77@myfairpoint.net **Currently accepting:** • Singing Dancing • Short Skits • Musical Performances Comedy DEADLINE for registrations is March 1st or when program is full, whichever comes first. Sponsored by the Greenfield Elementary School P.T.O. Dedicated to bringing educational programs to the Greenfield Elementary School children.

GREENFIELD RECREATION

Call 547-3442 for more info.



BALLET AND TAP CLASSES

Laura Horne is offering pre-ballet classes for ages 2-3, and combination ballet and tap classes for ages 4-6 at the Greenfield Meeting House.

Classes are in 6 week sessions.

Times and cost are as follows:

Mondays 12:30-1:00 (pre-ballet) \$75 per 6 week session

Mondays 1:15-2:00 (ballet & tap) \$82 per 6 week session

For more information call Laura @ 673-4672

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

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Blueberry Jamboree Committee: This committee is involved in planning and running the annual Blueberry Jamboree at Oak Park. For more info, call Dorene Adams at 547-2706 or Katherine Heck at 547-2450.

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.

Energy Committee: This committee is involved in researching ways to save the town money through energy saving improvements or suggestions. To find out more, Aaron Harris Tel: 547-3212. Email: aph603@gmail.com **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.

Technology Committee: This committee will assure current technology is considered for current and future needs of the town and its residents. For more info, call Mark Long at 547-2784 or 617-538-8678.

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 nat-ural 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."

Selected upcoming regional events

Forest Society - http://www.forestsociety.org/thingstodo/

2012 NH Farm & Forest Exposition

Friday, February 3, 9 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. Saturday, February 4, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Radisson Hotel. Manchester

Morse Preserve Snowshoe Hike

Saturday, February 11, 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Evelyn H. & Albert D. Morse, Sr. Preserve, Alton

Mammal Tracking and Conservation Snowshoe Tour Saturday, February 25, noon to 4 p.m. (snow date: Sunday, February 26) Monadnock State Park to Royce Tract, Jaffrey

Cottrell-Baldwin Environmental Lecture Series Henry Baldwin Classroom at Fox State Forest in Hillsborough. A (Boat) Trip through Time with the **Birds of Lake Umbagog** Tuesday, March 13, 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Habitat Management for Birds and Biodiversity Tuesday, March 20, 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

The State of Birds: How You Can Help NH Bird **Populations**

Tuesday, March 27, 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Fox Forest Birding: Early Migrants Arrive in Hillsborough Saturday, April 28, 8 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Wild Apple Tree Pruning Workshop Saturday, April 7, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Harris Center for Conservation Education and the Forest Society's Welch Family Farm & Forest, Hancock

Saving Special Places 2012 Saturday, April 14 John Stark Regional High School, Weare

UNH Cooperative Extension/ Speaking for Wildlife http://extension.unh.edu

Current Use Tax Rules, 7:00 pm March 5th Hillsborough County Complex, 329 Mast Road in Goffstown

The History of Wildlife in NH, Mon, February 27, 7pm -8pm, Historical Society of Cheshire County, Keene

> "The Nature of New Hampshire," Tues, March 27, 7pm - 8pm, Francestown Community Church, Francestown

All About Monadnock Conservancy: The Conservation Land Trust for Southwestern New Hampshire

Founded in 1989, the Monadnock Conservancy is the only land trust dedicated exclusively to the 35 towns of the Monadnock Region. Every year the Conservancy helps the people of the Region protect hundreds of acres of forests, farms, wildlife habitat, shoreland, hiking trails, and more.

They are THE resource when it comes to protecting land in our precious corner of the state. Think we've protected enough land in Greenfield? Think again! Time and time again it has been proven that encouraging development to bring in more tax dollars is a losing proposition - the revenue generated never covers the cost of services needed for the new development.

Have you ever wondered what is entailed in placing your land under conservation easement? Contact a member of the Conservation Commission or the Monadnock Conservancy to discuss it. It's all up to you! 357-0600 http://www.monadnockconservancy.org/

Habitat Spotlight on ... Marsh & Shrub Wetlands (adapted from UNH Cooperative Extension article): http://extension.unh.edu/FWT/CovertsLibrary.htm

Introduction

Marsh and shrub wetlands include a variety of wetland types, each with different vegetation, but with one thing in common: the soils in them are wet most of the year.

Marsh and shrub wetlands are rich habitats that provide a number of critical ecosystem functions such as flood control, pollutant filtration, erosion control, and wildlife habitat. Marshes are important for fish and amphibian breeding and for waterfowl, and they connect people to habitat through hunting, fishing, tourism, and recreation. Shrub wetlands may seem inhospitable to people, but their dense thickets provide reliable cover from predators for many

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wildlife species.

High-quality marsh & shrub wetlands are found in all parts of New Hampshire, with higher concentrations in Rockingham and Belknap Counties. Lake Umbagog, Great Bay, and the Connecticut River Valley have been identified as particularly important areas for waterfowl habitat due to their extensive high-quality wetlands. In assessing the quality of a marsh or shrub wetland, look for:

• isolation from development: at least 1000 feet from houses, roads, or recreational trails

• surrounded by intact vegetation

• in remote areas where beaver dams won't interfere with humans

Types of Marsh & Shrub Wetlands

Marsh & shrub wetlands fit into three groups, identified by their vegetation:

Wet meadows: Wet meadows are filled with sedges and grasses. Wet meadows may not be flooded all year, but they are wet for long periods during spring and summer. They provide a rich habitat for such critical species as ribbon snake, spotted turtle and northern harrier.

Marsh Habitat: Marshes contain plants that grow out of water, but whose roots are wet, such as cattails, pickerelweed, and water lilies. Blanding's turtles, American black duck and red-winged blackbirds rely on marsh habitat for their feeding and lifecycles.

Shrub Wetlands: Shrub wetlands are thickets of shrubs and voung trees growing out of wet soils, and they often flood in the spring. Spotted turtles, Canada warblers, New England cottontail, and American woodcock all use shrub wetlands for food, cover, or breeding habitat.

Where are Marsh & Shrub Wetlands in New Hampshire?

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Beaver dammed areas showcase different wetland types over time and as a result, are very valuable as habitat for other wildlife species. A beaver dam site will cycle from ponded water (marsh) to abandoned/drained area (wet meadow), and re-growth (shrub wetland).

Understanding Threats to Marsh & Shrub Wetlands

Development: Historically, New Hampshire has lost fewer wetlands to development than many other states. However, we also have little direct protection for these important parts of our ecosystem. As southern New Hampshire faces increasing development pressure, wetlands and their surrounding uplands are at risk. Construction setbacks aren't always required around wetlands in NH (except septic syscontinued on page 8

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 Covenent 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 Rehab. Center

ALL ARE WELCOME!

SPIRIT SUBSCRIPTION

Many people, who have moved away from Greenfield, have expressed an interest in receiving the Spirit to keep up with what is going on in town and to learn about their friends. Of course, printing and mailing the Spirit is an expense for the town, so we have decided to make it possible for non-residents to buy a subscription to the Spirit. Residents may also subscribe so that they may have the Spirit mailed directly to their homes.

Name

Address

City _____ State ____ Zip ___

The cost for a one year subscription to the Spirit is \$6.00 for non-residents and \$4.50 for residents. Please send this form and a check made payable to the Town of Greenfield to: The Spirit, Town of Greenfield, PO Box 256, Greenfield, NH 03047.

The Spirit may also be found on the Town website at http://www.greenfield-nh.gov/ in PDF form.

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tems) and wetlands are routinely filled and damaged by driveway and road crossings. Loss of upland habitat, pollution, salt runoff from roads, and destruction of beaver dams (because of their proximity to backyards) all have a detrimental effect on our marsh and shrub wetland communities.

Invasive Plants: Invasive plants such as purple loosestrife, common reed (Phragmites), and Japanese knotweed threaten the diversity of plants in marshes, and several woody plants such as glossy buckthorn are a problem in shrub wetlands. Invasive plants take over native vegetation and offer less-valuable habitat and food sources for many species of wildlife.

Wildlife found in marsh & shrub wetlands

The species listed here are closely associated with marsh & shrub wetlands, but many other wildlife species will use these wetlands at some time of the year for breeding or foraging. Species of conservation concern--those wildlife species identified in the NH Wildlife Action Plan as having the greatest need of conservation--appear in bold typeface. See New Hampshire Fish & Game Non-Game section for profiles on each of these.

American black duck	Northern harrier**
American bittern	Northern leopard frog
American woodcock	Osprey
Blanding's turtle**	Pied-billed grebe*
Common moorhen	Red-winged blackbird
Eastern red bat	Ringed boghaunter
	dragonfly**
Great blue heron	Rusty blackbird
Green darner dragonfly	Sedge wren**
Least bittern	Silver-haired bat
Mink	Spotted turtle*
Muskrat	Spring peeper
New England cottontail**	Virginia rail
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* state-threatened species

** state-endangered species

Stewardship Guidelines for Marsh & Shrub Wetlands

• Focus land conservation around beaver flowages across the landscape, not just around present-day beaver impoundments. Doing so allows the natural abandonment and establishment of new dams. Conserving only the present-day impoundments while allowing development and road-building near abandoned dams forever precludes the natural succession of those abandoned beaver ponds- from newly flooded sites, to stagnant ponds, to open meadows, and back to reforested landscapes.

• Maintain beaver dams and flowages and use beaver dam water control devices to maintain a consistent water level (important for protecting property or roads).Old Beaver Pond

• Locate new roads and development where they are unlikely to be flooded by potential beaver dam sites.

• For land conservation efforts to successfully protect wet-

lands wildlife, uplands surrounding wetlands need to be protected as well. A 300 foot buffer of upland, unimpacted by development (no paved roads, buildings, etc.) protects water resources and habitat for many species. However, to truly isolate the wetland from negative development impacts, this buffer may have to extend 1000 feet or more from the wetland edge.

• Regenerate and promote growth of aspen and other hardwoods in small patches or strips along slow streams and rivers to enhance the food supply for beavers. Mallards and black ducks will benefit, as they nest on open ground around water bodies.

• New Hampshire Fish and Game tracks sightings of rare reptiles and amphibians. Report any sightings to the NH Reptile and Amphibian Reporting Program http://www.wildlife.state.nh.us/Wildlife/Nongame/reptiles_amphibians.htm

• Maintain habitat structures such as dead standing trees and overhanging vegetation in the water to provide cover for wildlife; keep downed logs as basking sites for turtles.

• Leave and protect standing dead trees as habitat for heron and osprey nesting, as roosting sites for bats, and as cavity nesting sites for a variety of other birds and mammals.

• Focus wetland restoration efforts on restoring flooding to marshes. Bogs and forested wetlands (such as red-maple swamps) aren't easily re-created after damage to their vegetation or after changes in their flooding patterns.

• Don't use heavy machinery within wetland soils to avoid negative impacts on animals or disruption of the wetland's flooding pattern.

• Where feasible, maintain open, sunny areas with little vegetation (or sandy areas) adjacent to or near marshes for turtle nesting.

• Maintain brush and other woody material in and around wetlands to provide cover for small mammals, amphibians, and reptiles.

• Limit recreational access (either completely or with as few access points as possible), as even low levels of human disturbance can disrupt marsh wildlife. Where access is allowed, avoid trampling existing aquatic vegetation. ATVs shouldn't be allowed in or around wetlands.

• Where human-built dams are present, avoid drawing down water levels in fall and winter, as this exposes dispersing and hibernating amphibians and reptiles to colder temperatures.

NOTICE

The Greenfield Recycling Committee (GRCOM) has been reconvened by the Board of Selectmen. GRCOM's first order of business will be to review the feasibility of implementing a "Pay-As-You-Throw" (PAYT) system of trash disposal. The GRCOM will hold its first, organizational, meeting at 7 PM on Thursday, Feb 2 in the upstairs meeting room in the Town Office building. Input from the public is welcome and should be directed to Neal Brown at 547-2023 or at neal.agneta@glsynthesis.com.



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

Pets

Why have a pet? I see and hear about animal neglect and abuse and wonder...why did this person get a pet? Truly, relationships with companion animals have changed in the recent past - many people now consider their pets to be cherished members of the family. We get a lot of love back from our pets for the shelter and food we provide them...and most of them would rather have your attention than anything else!

I make it a point to play with my cat every day. She loves it! She's not a cuddler, like some other cats I've had, but I give her what she wants, and that is PLAY. Toys don't have to be elaborate, but most cats love the "feather on a string" toy. Take your dog for a walk! Throw a stick! You'll be glad you did.

Dangers to Pets - the ASPCA reports that the top ten substances that poisoned animals included human medications, insecticides and rodent bait, along with certain house plants (peace lilies, tulip and narcissus bulbs, cyclamen, kalanchoe, amaryllis, English ivy, pothos). For more, check ASPCA http://www.aspca.org. They have tons of info on everything to do with pet care.

Cold Weather Hazards

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

You may qualify for financial help for spaying or neutering your cat or dog! Call Toll Free 1-800-990-SPAY. Remember - every litter hurts! Also see http://www.nhspca.org/community-services/spay-neuter-programs.html for all your options.

All dogs in Greenfield must have a license! If yours doesn't, contact the Town offices. Also - Greenfield has a leash law! Remember - your pet's safety is at the heart of this law.

The satellite office of the Monadnock Humane Society in the Brady's Plaza in Peterborough is closing. This is very unfortunate, but there wasn't enough activity there for them to justify the expense. Visit them at their main headquarters in Swanzey.

Wildlife

Bird Feeding - the beginning of the winter was mild and birds didn't go to feeders as much, but as cold weather sets in, it really helps them. Remember, though - it's a commitment! If you do it, keep them up, clean and filled until April 1st.

New Hampshire Fish & Game Nongame and Endangered Wildlife Projects - http://www.wildlife.state.nh.us/Wildlife/ Nongame/projects/nongame_projects.html Bald Eagle Project Goal: To monitor bald eagle (Haliaeetus leucocephalus) nest sites and high-use wintering areas annually to obtain measures of population status and productivity. Volunteers are used to monitor the breeding locations of bald eagles across the state. Volunteers are also needed to help count bald eagles during the winter. Contact New Hampshire Audubon to learn more about these opportunities: www.nhaudubon.org or (603) 224-9909.

Bats of New Hampshire: New Hampshire is home to 8 species of bats. The first 6 in this list are "of conservation concern."

- Eastern red bat
- Silver-haired bat
- Northern myotis (also called Northern long-eared bat)
- Tricolored bat (name used to be Eastern pipistrelle)
- Hoary bat
- Eastern small-footed bat (state endangered)
- Little brown bat
- Big brown bat

Last summer, F&G hosted a bat count. Not sure if they are doing it again this year, but if you're interested, here's the contact info:

Colony Bat Count - WNS Investigation Nongame and Endangered Wildlife Program NH Fish and Game Dept. 11 Hazen Dr. Concord, NH 03301 wildlife@wildlife.nh.gov

Check the site for other projects, too!

Selected nature observations by the week - adapted from Northern Woodlands

February - week 1: The range of the northern cardinal is moving north, probably due to warmer winters.

February - week 2: Flying squirrels spend their days in nests lined with moss, lichens, grass and bark.

February - week 3: Great horned owls are incubating eggs, often in the open where snow may cover the female on her nest.

February - week 4: Deer may lose 25% of their body weight over the winter.

March - week 1: Brown creepers begin singing their endearing song. Some overwinter, but some migrate.

March - week 2: Clean your birdhouses! Bluebirds, chickadees and tree swallows are looking for accommodations. March - week 3: Wood frogs arrive at ponds to breed.

March - week 4: Spring peeper choruses can be heard a halfmile away!

Eco Tips

Environmental Tips for Individuals: Your Work (from globalstewards.org)

Note: where underlined, search the internet for these words.

Janet's Planet continued from page 10

• Recycling Program: If a recycling program has not already been started at your company, start one yourself (or improve the program already in place). Learn more at <u>Recycling in the Workplace</u>.

• Recycled Material: Encourage the office/purchasing manager to purchase products containing recycled material (paper, plastic, etc.). Learn more at <u>Recycled Plastic</u> <u>Products (U.S. and Canada)</u>. Encourage your company to purchase recycled paper business cards printed with soy ink either locally or online (one example: <u>Spin Digital Print</u>).

• Materials Exchange: You can find exchange programs at <u>Recycler's World</u> and State-specific <u>Materials Exchange</u> <u>Programs</u> (U.S.)

• Product Design: <u>Better by Design</u> helps in designing environmentally friendly products.

• Green Purchasing: Learn about green purchases through:

Responsible Purchasing Network

○<u>Green Seal of Approval</u>

⊃<u>Purchasing environmentally-friendly building products</u> (free software)

Environmental Yellow Pages

Creen Pages Online

• Green Certified Products: Two eco-label programs that can help you find environmentally-friendly products are the <u>GoodGuide</u> and <u>GREEN SEAL</u>.

• Energy Reduction: Schedule an energy audit through your local energy provider to determine how to reduce energy use. Learn more at <u>Energy Star for Small Business</u>.

• Environmental Policy: Strategic Planning resources for defining your company's environmental policy:

Source Reduction

Waste Prevention World

⊃<u>WasteWi\$e (EPA)</u>

Stational Environmental Performance Track (EPA)

➡ Other EPA Voluntary Programs

Zero Emissions Research and Initiatives (ZERI)

⇒<u>The Natural Step</u>

Natural Capitalism

⇒Biomimicry

Cradle to Cradle

CERES (Coalition for Environmentally Responsible Economies)

• Green Meetings and Conventions: A growing number of businesses are greening their meetings and conventions. Get started with <u>10 Easy Tips</u>. Learn more through the <u>EPA</u> and the <u>Green Meeting Industry Council</u>.

• Green Building: Encourage your company to look into building or leasing space in a "green" building. The EPA can provide information through their <u>Business</u> Improvement program.

• Shipping: Whenever possible, choose <u>environmentally-friendly packaging material</u>. If your company uses pallets to ship boxes stabilized with stretch wrap, strapping, or corner boards, look into switching to more environmentally-friendly unitizing systems such as <u>Lock n' Pop</u> (no endorsement intended).

• Junk Mail: Check into ways to reduce business junk mail

• Computers: <u>Buy refurbished computers for less</u>. Also consider <u>donating used computer equipment</u>. If you purchase new equipment, the <u>Electronic Product</u> <u>Environmental Assessment Tool</u> and <u>Guide to Greener</u> <u>Electronics</u> can help you make greener choices.

• Zero Waste: <u>EPA: Zero Waste</u> and <u>Zero Waste Alliance</u> provide information on shifting your business toward producing <u>zero waste</u>.

• Reusing Ink Cartridges: <u>Cartridge World</u> will refill your printer cartridges at half retail price.

• Renewable Energy Certificates (REC): If you don't have the ability to switch to renewable energy, consider buying an <u>REC</u> which let's you essentially purchase renewable energy without switching electricity suppliers.

• Paper Use: Use both sides of each piece of paper -- for note taking or printing documents from your computer (at home or work). At work, designate a printer to be stocked with once-used paper for drafts. Where possible, configure computer systems to automatically hold documents in printer queues so that manual release is required to print the document. Create notepads by stapling together once-used paper.

• Office Supplies: Create a used supplies drawer and ask employees to place any unwanted office supplies from work or home in the drawer for reuse.

• Lunch: Pack a Waste-Free Lunch whenever possible.

• Break Room: Ask co-workers to bring their unwanted cups, mugs, plates, cloth napkins, and silverware to work to replace disposable items.

• Green Hotels: Encourage your company to use the <u>Green</u> <u>Hotel Initiative's Best Practices Survey</u> to determine which hotels to book traveling employees or visitors at.

• Environmental Career: Looking for an environmental job?

Check out:

⇒<u>NRDC Green Jobs</u>

DEnvironmental Jobs and Careers

⇒Environmental Career Opportunities

⇒ Green Jobs Ready

Dusiness for Social Responsibility

Environmental Career.com

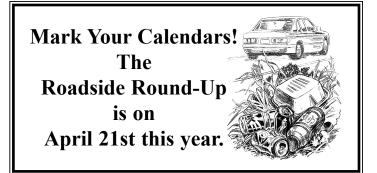
○<u>Green Dream Jobs</u>

GreenBiz.com Job Listings

Environmental Jobs

Semployment, Career, Volunteer Opportunities

WebDirectory Environmental Job Listing Sites



STEPHENSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Greetings from the Trustees and Staff of The Stephenson Memorial Library *Greenfield's one-stop destination for information and brain tonic.*

We've got "real" books, audio books, newspapers, magazines, DVDs - even downloads for your Kindle. We've got a Lego Club, story time, and scads of other programs for kids and adults. We've got FAST wireless internet access on spanking new computers. Why, there's even 24/7 wireless internet access in our parking lot! And, thanks to private donors and the good taxpayers of Greenfield, it's there for every citizen to enjoy. Please drop in and see your library for yourself. We think that you'll find it a welcoming place.

MAJOR EVENTS OF 2011.

There were two. One concerned a private fund-raiser to replace our ancient computer technology. The other dealt with a proposal to adopt a new, "Saturdays-Open" schedule.

(1) TECHNOLOGY INITIATIVE: In mid-year the Trustees submitted a Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) to the Town's Planning Board. The plan specifically requested funding to replace the Library's antiquated automation system and desk-top computers. Considering the many highpriority requests already before the Town's Capital Improvement Plan, the Trustees decided to work with the Friends of the Library and try to raise private support for our CIP. Thanks to many generous Greenfield donors, the fund-raising has been a tremendous success. \$7300 has been raised to date - enough to complete the CIP without a dime of taxpayer funding.

We hope that you will drop by and see for yourself how the funds we raised are being spent. In the place of the cranky aging computers and the antiquated automation system you will find state-of-the-art machines and, by the way, the only free high-speed internet access in town.

(2) PROPOSAL FOR A NEW, "SAT-URDAYS OPEN" SCHEDULE During the last two years, many patrons and other town residents have requested that we consider Saturday hours. In 2011, in response, the Trustees and Staff conducted a written survey of town residents to probe the strength of their support for such a schedule.

We had 89 respondents to this survey. Of these 89 respondents:

☞ 73 (82%) favored Saturday hours.

@ 14 (16%) opposed Saturday hours or were indifferent to them.

2 individuals did not answer the relevant question.

Of the 73 who favored Saturday hours: 66 (90 %) favored increasing the Library's budget to fund them.

7 (10%) opposed increasing the Library's budget to fund them.

Our conclusion: The respondents clearly support (i) addition of Saturday to the current 3-day schedule, and (ii) appropriation of additional budgetary support to make it work.

What is the new schedule and when would it go into effect? If Town Meeting voters approve the funding we've requested to cover the increase in hours, the Library's schedule will change in late March to the following :

Wed	10:30 - 8 pm	(9.5 hr)
Thu	10:30 - 6 pm	(7.5 hr)
Fri	11:00 - 4 pm	(5.0 hr)
Sat	10:00 - 2 pm	(4.0 hr)

Merits of the new schedule :

i) It treats Saturday fairly, making meaningful activities possible.
ii) It leaves Wednesdays intact, and thus, preserves our busiest evening.
iii) It compresses the schedule into 4 consecutive days. With appropriate thermostat programming, this schedule should favor heating efficiency and thus, partially counter the increased need for heat for 4 hrs on Saturdays.
iv) It increases the weekly hours of each staff member by only 7.4% - from 27 to 29 hr..

If you support the proposed Saturday schedule, how can you help make it happen? It's simple. Come to Town

meeting and show your support for our budget.

You also can help us enormously by expressing to your fellow citizens what your library means to you and to Greenfield. Whatever support you can offer our cause from the floor would be most welcome!

NOW, GOOD READER, HOW ABOUT A PIECE OF YOUR MIND? We need to know what you think of the Library's mission and its programs.

We'd especially like to share any "outside-the-box" ideas you may have for keeping the Stephenson relevant in the fast-changing world of information technology.

We'd especially like suggestions for novel uses for the Library - for example, like the one offered recently by John Gryval, Chair of the Town's Emergency Management Team. Given its central location, John envisioned the possibility of tooling up the library to serve as a potential auxiliary site for support of the community during town emergencies. Whatever you think, fire away! Your opinions and suggestions will be welcome. You may direct them to either Librarian Gail Smith (547-2790; stephensonlib@myfairpoint.net) or Trustee Chair, Neal Brown (547-2023; neal.agneta@glsynthesis.com). You'll get a response.

THANK YOU FOR THE JOB: The Staff and Trustees of the Stephenson are privileged to serve as the stewards of your Library. It is one of Greenfield's treasures, and we pledge to do our best to preserve it for you and for Greenfielders yet to come.

Neal Brown, Trustee, Chair Jami Bascom, Trustee Bruce Dodge, Trustee Mary Ann Grant, Alt. Trustee, Treas. Scott Jones, Alternate Trustee Robert Marshall, Alternate Trustee

Gail Smith, Librarian Kristin Readel, Director of Youth Services

Greenfield's Winter Carnival Feb. 11th

*** Schedule of Events ***

Saturday, Feb. 11th

- 8:00-10:00 Fire Dept. PanCake Breakfast \$3 \$ \$5 Station Tours / Car Wash
- 10:00-12:00 <u>Historical Society is Open!</u> Stop by and check out our "new" old displays! Visit our new barn!
- 10:00 3:00 Dress warm! Bring your sleds, skates, x-country skies & snowshoes! Check out the Ice Fishing Demo & "Derby"! Campfire with roast your own hotdogs, marshmallows, cocoa & snacks! Try your hand at the Cross Cut Saw Contest ! Prizes for winners of fishing & sawing!

2:30 Homemade Sled Race (G.E.S. P.T.O)

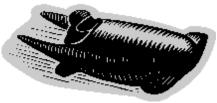
Kids, Teens & Adult Age Division Races! Come and participate, or be a spectator! Make your own sled from Cardboard. See directions on next page. Race is held at the Greenfield Inn. Extra parking is available at the Library.

Evening Schedule

5:30 Chili Cook-Off Entries Due @ Meeting House

- 5:45 **DOORS OPEN** Admission: Is an item for the Food Bank. (GIVERS)
- 6:00 Chili Cook-Off Begins!!

Saturday, Feb. 11th Directions



"Sled Race" 2:30 pm

At the "Greenfield Inn" parking lot. Kids, Teens & Adult Age Divisions Races!

Sled Building Instructions:

Make your sled from a card board box or boxes! Use duct tape or packing tape to hold it together! Decorate it! Be Creative! Let's see what you can come up with! (G.E.S. P.T.O.) (Question? Call Katherine Heck 547-2450) Extra parking available at the Library.



Chili Cook-Off 6:00 pm

At the Meeting House

Chili entries due promptly at 5:30 pm - Doors open at 5:45 pm 6pm Cook-off Starts! Admission: Item for the Greenfield Food Bank.

Chili Entry Instructions:

To enter your chili, Please register before Feb. 6th by calling Agneta Brown (G.I.V.ers) at 547-2023 and leave a message.

Chili should arrive hot & ready to serve. Sorry, no plug ins available. If possible, please bring a bag of tortilla chips to go with it! Thank you!

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

AIR CONDITIONING SERVICES

See "Heating"

APPLIANCE REPAIRS

Lachance Appliance Service Servicing ALL Major Household Appliances 547-2229

AUTOMOTIVE NEEDS

Alan Easton MARS & CarsLookLikeNew.com Mobile Appearance Reconditioning Service We Come To You - 831-0246

Chuck's Auto Repair of Antrim Rte 202 - 464-5045

> Doherty's Detailing Complete Auto Detailing In & Out Bill Doherty 801-0564

Josh and Barry Fulton Fulton Repair ServiceTruck/Trailer Equipment Repairs & Welding 547-3538

Greenfield Auto Service General Car Repair, Front end Alignment, Foreign or Domestic Tom Wozniak - 547-6308

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

LS & NM Repair Services Auto repair, welding, small engines, tractors, and trailers. 547-3766

Shepard's Automotive & Towing LLC 81 Russell Station Road - 547-3821

S.M Atherton Autocare Electrical & Computer Diagnostics, Welding, A/C, Mechanical Repairs, Exhaust, Rust, Drivetrains, State Inspections. 525-3493 or 831-8360

BED & BREAKFASTS

The Greenfield B & B Inn Vic and Barbara Mangini Forest Road - 547-6327

BUTCHER

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

CHILDCARE

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

CLOTHES

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

Computer & Web Services

David Lloyd Website design and hosting, tutoring and troubleshooting. 547-8618 www.davidlloyd.ws

James Gueydan Computer Services Desktop/Laptop repairs and upgrades. Virus/Malware removal James@c3fx.net (603)231.7936

SciArt Media Publishing and Web Design James Maynard, owner - 603-361-2662 info@sciartmedia.com www.sciartmedia.com

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

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> CORDWOOD See "Logging"

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North Pack Electrical Services, LLC Kyle Fontaine, Master Electrician 603-547-6683 northpackelectric@gmail.com

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Belmore Farm Route 136 Near Oak Park Fresh Produce in Season

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David Bridgewater Antique Restorer - Furniture Repairs 547 7556

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> Forget Me Not Antiques and Collectibles 22 Slip Road By chance or appointment

Nightingale Fibers, LLC Knitting and Spinning supplies, including hand-dyed yarns and roving. 547-6645 www.nightingalefibers.com

PersonalizeIt!

Personalized items for your home or business, including photo cakes, tshirts, mugs, etc. 547-3222 or rhonda@personalizeitforyou.com

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

Spring Pond Farm Alpacas
Alpaca yarns, socks & other products for sale.
81 Muzzey Hill Road 547-2964

Ten Talents Natural Colored Sheep: Livestock Yarn, Roving, Lambskins, Meat Conrad & Ellen Dumas 547-2621

GROCERIES

Harvester Market Groceries, subs - 547-3414

JUSTICE OF THE PEACE

Petr Lord, Justice of the Peace Personal & Distinctive Weddings petrlord@ittledoofarm.com 547-2526

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Gagnon Landscapes, LLC Professional Landscape Services Snowplowing & Sanding 562-0485

Greenfields Landscape & Irrigation, LLC Specializing in all landscape services. Mowing, Hydro-seeding, irrigation, etc. 547-3304

Justin Gray Landscape Maintenance and Design JGray152@Gmail.com 603-562-9333

LOGGING, LAND CLEARING, TREE <u>Removal</u>

L.J. Cadorette and Family Logging, Cordwood "Logging the Old Fashioned Way" 547-3468

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New England Forest Products, Inc. 315 Sawmill Road, Greenfield 547-3207 or office@neforestproducts.com Web: www.neforestproducts.com

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> Jarvis Adams The Boogie Men Band Music for all events. 547-2706

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> PLOWING AND SANDING See "Construction/Landscape"

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Jarvis Adams Plumbing & Heating LLC Service Calls-New Homes-Renovations-Pumps Water Systems/tests-Bio Clean for Septic Care 547-2706

Sanford Temperature Control, Inc. Heating , Cooling & Indoor Air Quality Products Sales, Service & Installation 547-2717 or 800-439-2716

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Alyssum Proctor - Realtor Broker/Associate Proctor & Greene Real Estate 547-3020 or 801-7485

Farms & Barns Real Estate Jan Moller, Sales Assoc. 603 547 5521 direct number jan@farmsandbarns.com

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

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

Linda K. Gray Realtor/Appraiser Brin Realty Group 603-801-8002 or lindagray09@gmail.com

Susan Wray, Realtor Prudential Verani Realty Residential v Vacation v Investment 562-8004 :: susan.wray@verani.com

SAND, GRAVEL, LOAM See "Trucking"

SATELLITE

Jim Teates TV & Satellite PO Box 340 - Greenfield 603 547-6629 Phone & Fax jttv7147@yahoo.com Joe Brady Silver Birch Satellite Communications 547-2841

Sewing

Chris Borden Sewing and Stitchery Repairs and Creations - 547-2025

SPECIAL NEEDS

Crotched Mountain Outpatient Services Physical, Occupational and Speech Therapies, Audiology, Sports Medicine, Psychology, Developmental Pediatrics - 603-547-3311 X1660

> Helping Hands Personal Assistant to Elders Susan Gosnell 547-2995

Lyris Lifesharing Community at Ploughshare Farm serving folks with special needs Day Program & Residential 547-2547

T.L.C. Licensed Nursing Assistant CPR certified. Assisting Elderly & Families for all needs. Debbie 547-2163

TAX SERVICES

Brenda Wesoly Tax Preparation Service - 547-2670

TENT RENTALS

Monadnock Tent Rentals John Hopkins 562-6690

TRUCKING SERVICES

Earthtone Materials A Merzi Trucking Company Delivering Screened Loam, Gravel, Stone & Sand 365-0679 or 547-2302

Welding

Forest Road Welding, LLC www.forestroadwelding.com Kevin McMurray 547-2718

Your ad listing could be here! Just send us your information and we'll print it for free. Make sure you only give us <u>4 lines</u> (between 10-15 words). Thanks.



Town of Greenfield

SIGN-UP NOTICE **Openings for Town Officials 2012**

Budget Committee (2 members) Budget Committee (2 members) Budget Committee Library Trustee Library Trustee

3 Year Term 2 Year Term 1 Year Term 2 Year Term **3** Year Term

- **School Board Representative** Selectman **Supervisor of the Checklist Town Clerk**
- Planning Board (2 members) **Trustee of Trust Funds + Cemetery Trustee**
 - **3 Year Term** 3 Year Term **3** Year Term **6 Year Term 3** Year Term **3 Year Term**

Candidates must sign up to be on the Ballot between: January 25 - February 3, 2012

At the Town Clerks Office: Regular office hours, plus Fri., February 3rd from 3-5 pm

TOWN MEETING

Tuesday - March 13, 2012 polls open 10:00 AM – 7:00 PM at the Meeting House for Town Meeting to vote on elected officials, zoning amendments & any ballot items, adjourn meeting until:

Saturday - March 17, 2012 @ 9:00 AM Town Meeting reconvenes to vote on warrant articles at the Meeting House. All newly elected town officials will be sworn in after the meeting.

NOTICE of PUBLIC HEARING

All residents of Greenfield are invited to a meeting for the purpose of discussing the proposed 2012 Annual Budget on Thursday, February 9, 2012 at 6:30 PM at the Town Offices.

Per order of the Board of Selectmen

PUBLIC NOTICE

CONVAL SCHOOL BOARD DELIBERATIVE SESSION

This is the meeting that gives every resident the opportunity to vote on the 2012 Proposed Budget of the **ConVal School Board** that will be on the ConVal Warrant at the polls on March 13th. The school portion of the tax rate is the largest part of your tax bill. This meeting is the only chance you have to change the warrant. Mark your calendar. Everyone has a vote!

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2012 7:00 PM AT CONVAL HIGH SCHOOL PETERBOROUGH

SPONSOR THE SPIRIT

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Apr-May issue deadline: March 1, 2012



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