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**SPIRIT DEADLINE
NOVEMBER 1ST FOR
THE DEC/JAN ISSUE**

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**GREENFIELD
HISTORICAL
SOCIETY**

See the back page

Greetings from the Selectboard



We wanted to take a moment to update you on the progress thus far with the meetinghouse and its proposed restoration. The Friends of the Greenfield Meeting House in collaboration with the selectboard and ultimately you the citizens of Greenfield are embarking on a journey to decide if we are able to bring our beloved meetinghouse back to its original splendor. This is a multi-faceted proposal that will include our savings, fund raising efforts and a bond.

Our meetinghouse was built in 1795 using local timber and was spearheaded by resident Hugh Gregg. He gathered 100 volunteers to raise the frame. That must have been quite a feat all those years ago using oxen, hand tools, pure muscle, sweat and ingenuity. It was no doubt a simple building compared to today's highbrid construction, but it was strong and well built to stand the test of time. It is the oldest meetinghouse in NH that has continuously served church and state.

We now find ourselves having to decide what it will take to keep it alive for the next 200 years and beyond, and that decision has fallen upon this generation of Greenfielders. There are some issues that have come to light that will require action. We also have the opportunity to make it serve the future generations better while we're at it, in a more substantial way. We have researched, interviewed, and decided on an architectural firm to help us make the most cost effective, meaningful, and sound decision path forward.

Misiaszek Turpin PLLC Architecture and Planning based in Laconia, NH has agreed to work with us and develop a plan of construction documents based on our perceived needs and building necessities, along with what will best serve our town in the future. They have developed a timeline for us that will take into consideration the completion of the necessary documents in order to apply for an LCHIP (Land and Community Heritage Investment Program) grant through the NH Historic Preservation Society. This would be prepared and applied for after a town meeting voter approval, anticipating its readiness and completion for our 2024 town meeting.

As a brief overview, we believe the important issues for our meetinghouse stem around accessibility, basement access, life safety, electrical safety, mechanical upgrades to heat, cooling, and ventilation for the building. As far as accessibility is concerned our goal would be to access all floors via an elevator. The basement would need to be waterproofed and have perimeter drainage installed much like we did at the library which was a complete success. From a life safety standpoint, a second egress from the second-floor sanctuary level and possibly a sprinkler system. The electrical service and wiring is in poor condition and will need to be upgraded no matter what we decide to do.

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TOWN DIRECTORY

TOWN OFFICES

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC - WITH SOME EXCEPTIONS

GREENFIELD SELECTBOARD

Meetings are Thurs. at 5:30 pm every week in the Meeting Room in the Town Office unless otherwise posted.

Selectboard: Mason Parker Chair, Michael Borden, and Tom Bascom
Town Administrator: Aaron Patt
Email: townadministrator@greenfield-nh.gov
Check the town website for updates.
<https://www.greenfield-nh.gov/>

Regular Town Office Hours:

Mon - Thurs 9:00 - 5:00
Fri closed to the public
Office Manager: Catherine Shaw
Tel: 603-547-3442 Fax: 603-547-3004
Email: officemanager@greenfield-nh.gov

BUILDING/HEALTH INSPECTOR

Inspections by Appt/as needed
Inspector- Mike Borden
Tel: 603-547-0437
Email: mbordenbi@gmail.com

TOWN CLERK (Registrations)

M, W, TH, 3 pm - 5:30 pm
By mail and by appointment
Office Tel: 603-547-2782 Leave message.
Town Clerk: Dorene Adams
Email: townclerk@greenfield-nh.gov
Deputy Town Clerk: Ann Setaro
Email: deputytownclerk@greenfield-nh.gov

TAX COLLECTOR

Tax Collector - Wendy Drouin
Mon 1:00 - 6:00pm, Wed 11:00 - 4:00pm
Tel: 603-547-2782 Fax: 603-547-2242
Email: taxcollector@greenfield-nh.gov

WELFARE DEPARTMENT

Welfare Director: Leah Fiasconaro-Conway
Email: greenfieldnhwelfare@gmail.com
Tuesday 5:30pm - 7:30pm
Tel: 603-547-3442 Ext. 3
Emergency assist: Call 603-547-2525

OTHER DEPARTMENTS

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Meetings on the 3rd Wed at 7pm at the Town Offices.
Chair: Roger Lessard Tel: 603-933-3130
Email: mtking@pobox.com

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Jim Morris, DPW Director
Tel: 603-547-3504
Email: publicworks@greenfield-nh.gov

PLANNING BOARD

Meetings: 2nd & 4th Mon. at 6:30 pm at the Town Offices. Normally the 2nd Mon. meeting is for hearings and the 4th Mon. meeting is for other business.
Chair: Robert Walling
Email: greenfieldnhpb@gmail.com

RECYCLING CENTER

Hours: Tuesday 8:00 am to 4 pm
Thursday 11:00 am to 6:00 pm
Saturday 8:00 am to 4:00 pm
Supervisor: Caleb Hall Tel: 603-547-8617
Email: recyclingcenter@greenfield-nh.gov

STEPHENSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Tel: 603-547-2790
Hours: Tues 2-6, Wed 10-8, Thurs 2-8, Fri 2-6, Sat 10-4
Director: David Bridgewater
director@stephensonlibrary.org
youth@stephensonlibrary.org
Circulation/General Questions
circulation@stephensonlibrary.org

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

Meetings as needed- Gil Morris, Chair
Email: zba@greenfield-nh.gov
Tel: 603-547-3442

OTHER CONTACTS

CEMETERY TRUSTEES:

Meetings on the 2nd Thurs at 7pm at the Town Offices
Roger Lessard, Chair - 603-933-3130
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OAK PARK COMMITTEE

Meetings at the Oak Park, 5:30 pm Every Thursday. Dave Thimmel Chair
Email: woodshopronin@gmail.com

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Katherine Heck - 603-547-3442 x 1
Email: kheck@conval.edu

TOWN FORESTER

NH Licensed Forester
Karla Allen Tel: 603-733-7922
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GREENFIELD U.S. POST OFFICE

Open Hrs: 8-11:30 am & 1-5 pm,
Sat. 8-12 pm
Tel: 603-547-3310

SPIRIT 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

EMERGENCIES

DIAL 911

**POLICE/FIRE/AMBULANCE
DIAL 911 OR 352-1100**

FIRE & POLICE

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Chief: Rick McQuade
Telephone: 603-325-7346
Emergency Dispatch:
Tel: 603-352-1100 or 911
Email: chiefrickmcquade@greenfieldfire.org
Monthly meetings: 1st Tues @ 6:00 pm

FIRE BURN PERMITS

To obtain a Fire Permit, please go to <https://nhdflweb.sovsportsnet.net/> or call one of the following:

FIRE WARDENS

Eugene Hennessey, F. Warden 603-718-3936
David Hall, Deputy 603-547-2222
Jeff LaCourse, Deputy 603-582-3289
Michael Borden, Deputy 603-547-0437
Chaz Babb, Deputy 603-562-0545

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

Dave Martin, Director
Email: emddavemartin@greenfield.org
Sign up for alerts: ReadyNH.gov

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief: Brian Giammarino
Office: 603-547-2535
Dispatch: 603-547-2525
Email: police@greenfieldnhpd.com



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To submit articles to the Spirit: Email text to: GreenfieldSpirit@gmail.com, or drop off typed articles to the Town Offices. Also, please send in photos, articles, event announcements, news of the town, poems, drawings, historical info, etc., with the name of the writer and/or photographer. Thanks!

All opinions in this publication are those of the authors and do not necessarily reflect the views of the Selectboard and may not necessarily represent any town official or department. All content is printed at the Selectboard's discretion.

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Our thought process has led us to wanting to be able to use every floor of the meetinghouse independently but simultaneously if we were so inclined to. This would allow it to be used to its fullest extent possible and serve our community for generations. This will truly honor the structure and our forefathers that conceived its creation so many years ago. We hope that in the months ahead you will participate in the process of creating a plan, fostering it to the best of your abilities, and finally supporting that through your contributions, whatever they may be.

*Thank you,
The Selectboard*

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GREENFIELD HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Wally and Velma Stone

By Lenny Cornwell

Wally and Velma Stone were quite involved in their adopted town of Greenfield. Both were born in Massachusetts - Wally in Sudbury and Velma in Lynn. Wally's father died when he was eight years old.

Wally and Velma met at college. He was attending Tufts University and Velma at Jackson College, the women's part of Tufts. They dated but then separated after Tufts. Velma was secretary to the CEO of Everlastic which made rubber bands. Wally continued his education at the Fletcher School for Law Diplomacy.

They began dating again and were married after the Hurricane of 1938. There was no power and no organ music available so violins were used to provide the music for the wedding. Years later, their daughter Carele wore her mom's gown when she was married. Over ten years, Wally and Velma had three daughters and two sons. When WWII came along, Wally was not eligible for service since he was the only son of a widow. His contribution to the war effort was to work at the Bendix Company making parts for the military to use.

In the late 1940s, Wally started working for the Boston Young Men's Christian Union. In 1949, he became Director of Camp Union in Greenfield. He started most of its programs for the campers. A bus owned by BYMCU would bring campers to and from Camp Union. Wally would go down to Boston and see them off from the facility there. He then would go grocery shopping buying in bulk for the camp and bring it back up to Greenfield.

At first, Camp Union was a summer camp. During winters, Wally would teach nature courses. He eventually got the city of Newton, MA, to send their students up to stay a week at Camp Union. This started the year round opening of Camp Union.

Along the way, Wally and Velma established nature schools called Otter Lake Conservation Schools. The name was changed to Stone Environmental School in his honor after Wally retired in the 1970s. There were nine of these sites around the New England area. Wally selected places that would be able to feed and house over one hundred attendees. Now only one of these facilities is operating.

Wally was a gardener and was the first male member of the Peterborough Garden Club. He also gave talks on flowers. Wally also made up his own dish - "Wally Burgers" that were served for many years at various events around the area. Wally served as a member of the Greenfield Selectboard.

Velma was Greenfield's Librarian for many years and started many programs for the youth there. She also would have "The Little Red Wagon" puppet show of UNH come to perform every summer. She was active as a choir member and choir director with the UCC Churches.

She was very active in the Greenfield Woman's Club, serving as president at one time. Her daughter, Carele, carried on this tradition.

Carele was also the last president of the Greenfield Woman's Club which disbanded in 2016 due to lack of members.

The Stone family certainly has left their mark on Greenfield!

Source : Carele Stone Mayer

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The Historical Society Connects to the World Wide Web

Thanks to some assistance from a local tech expert, the GHS launched a website! Simply click onto: <https://www.greenfieldnhhistoricalsociety.com/> for information about events, museum open hours, donating or updating your membership.

Speaking of events... Back by popular demand and the perfect event for easing back into social gatherings is our upcoming Live, On Stage, Radio Drama on Saturday night, October 15th, 2022, at the Meeting House. Your ticket also includes dinner! See the poster on the back page of this Spirit edition for all the details, or check our website.

Annual Meeting in November: Look for details forthcoming about our annual General Membership Meeting.

**MONDAY
OCTOBER 31st
HALLOWEEN
TOWN
TRICK OR TREATING
6 - 8 PM**

SATURDAY AFTERNOON ADULT BOOK GROUP

We welcome new members to join us to add to our discussions.

- Our Book Group year runs from January - October
- We read a mix of fiction, non-fiction, and most genres.
- Book discussions take place on the last Saturday of the month at **3 PM (New Time)** ~ Next:

Our last two books for our season:

September 24th My Own Country, a Doctor's Story by Abraham Verghese

October 29th The Last Woman in the Forest by Diane Les Becquets

- We meet outside, behind the library when the weather is nice, other times we gather in the Wensberg Room.
- Books, including large print and audio, if available, are at the front desk.

During our September and October meetings we will choose books/themes/authors for our next year, January 2023 - Oct. 2023. If you have suggestions please join us during our meetings or email/phone your suggestions.

Please be in touch with Jean if you would like more information about our group.

**jrube.rainier@gmail.com
603-547-2108**

- We welcome you for the whole year or feel free to join us for the months that interest you.

We look forward to having you join us!



Get a Ride, or Give a Ride: EVERYONE BENEFITS

Right down the road, right now, someone needs a ride to somewhere essential. And volunteer drivers for Community Volunteer Transportation Company (CVTC) drive people where they need to go.

When riders can keep their essential appointments, they stay independent, and can live at home in peace. Riders can request to be taken to their doctor's or social service appointments, pharmacy or grocery shopping; all non-emergency. A five business-days' advance notice is all CVTC needs to enter a rider's trip request in our TripList system. And for the rider, it is more than just the free ride. Our drivers are courteous and trustworthy, willing to converse and engage. Sometimes even new friendships are made.

Once our vetted volunteer drivers choose which trips best fit their schedule, they call the rider to verify pick-up times and, when they return home themselves, they track their total mileage for reimbursement from CVTC. Drivers select when, and to where, and for how long they are available. By making this difference in a rider's life, drivers contribute to the health of the Monadnock Region, one person at a time

Please call CVTC for more information at 1-877-428-2882 x 5.



CHANGE TO THE SPIRIT

Starting with this issue, we will no longer print the tradespeople listing in every issue. The reason is, that for the most part, the listing is pretty much the same each time. Instead, we will put the trades listing on both sides of one sheet and slip it into every other issue. Our hope is that you will keep this sheet handy for when you need one of the services listed. In addition, the trades will be online at:

<https://www.greenfield-nh.gov/greenfield-spirit>

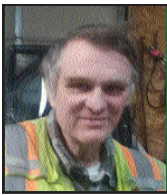
Changing the Spirit this way will also allow more space for articles and flyers to be printed in each issue. Please keep sending in your events and articles. Your input helps to build community and makes each issue interesting to all town residents and beyond.

*Karen Day
Spirit Editor*

PUBLIC NOTICE WINTER PARKING BAN

By order of the Selectboard, 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, 2022 through April 1, 2023. This is to allow plowing of the streets during snowstorms.

Per order of the
Greenfield Selectboard



RECYCLING CENTER

Hours: Tues 8-4, Thurs 11-6, Sat 8-4

603-547-8617

Summer has, as always, been busy at the Recycling Center. As mentioned before, the amount of material for “Demo” has exceeded previous years. Until it subsides, we will continue having MDS drop off a 40-yard dumpster instead of the traditional 30-yarder.

As you likely have noticed, we have been building up an inventory of scrap light steel. The last time we shipped out a full container the price per ton was \$200.00. This time I was quoted \$85.00 per ton along with an increase in the trucking rate which further would reduce our revenue. Using our extra space for storage may pay off in better pricing. The last time this happened, we waited with the result being an extra \$600.00 in revenue.

We did ship out a full trailer load of cardboard as well as a mixed trailer load of baled plastics, aluminum cans and cardboard at around the peak of the market. This netted the town over \$9,000.00. This should reinforce the message that keeping recyclables out of the trash helps enormously in reducing our costs.

The DPW was able to take a load of glass up to New London to be processed into “Processed Glass Aggregate”. The load of “PGA” that they returned with has already been used up in culvert/road work.

You may remember that we asked townspeople if they had any recollections of the old dump to come forward and recount their memories. This was necessary to help complete a state requirement to file a dump closure plan for dumps closed before 1981. We completed and submitted a plan. After review, the DES official notified us that the plan was “incomplete.” The two areas that need more work are regarding the volume of waste and the likelihood that asbestos was disposed of. We will be working with DES to address these items of concern.

A “labor-saving” device was dropped off at the transfer station recently-an electrified “sad iron”. It was the “Hotpoint” brand, invented by Mr. Earl Richardson and made by his company-the Edison Electric Appliance Company. It was common back in the early 1900’s for Thomas Edison to sell the rights to use his name. General Electric bought Hotpoint in 1927 so the GE logo would indicate that this iron was made in or sometime after that year. “Sad irons” were so named because of their weight (5-9lbs). They were originally heated on a woodstove or radiator. The one pictured weighs-in at 14 lbs.! Imagine the proud husband purchasing one of these and bringing it home to his wife to help lighten her household chores! 14lbs. is the equivalent of 14 of those 1 lb. blocks of pre-

packaged hamburger meat. She must have been so appreciative-something so much more substantial to clobber her husband with than the proverbial frypan.



The iron is now in the safe hands of the Greenfield Historical Society. Photos courtesy of Bill Gaudette.

Jim Morris, our DPW director, told me recently that people have been coming to the Recycling Center on Wednesdays and seeing the gate closed, drive down to the DPW to ask him why. One person was insistent that it was Tuesday. When Jim convinced him that it really was Wednesday, he replied: “Crap, I’m supposed to be at work today!”. Post-Covid hybrid work schedules seem to be causing some confusion. Another person told Jim that the town website clearly states that the Recycling Center is open on Wednesdays and that we should get the site corrected. Bill looked up the website on his phone and sure enough the Recycling Center is open on Wednesdays...in Greenfield-MASSACHUSETTS! The Greenfield, New Hampshire website has the correct hours.

As always-Keep the Stuff Coming!
CJ Hall
Recycling Center Supervisor



TOWN CLERKS OFFICE

Townclerk@Greenfield-nh.gov

1-603-547-2782

Dorene Adams, Town Clerk

Anne Setaro, Deputy Town Clerk

Website: <https://www.greenfield-nh.gov/town-clerk>

OFFICE HOURS

Mon., Wed., Thurs.: 3:00 – 5:30pm

Changes will be posted on the Town Website.

OUR OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED:

Oct. 10-14th for workshops and training

Nov. 23rd & 24 for Thanksgiving

Dec. 26th, for Christmas

Jan. 2nd, 2023 for New Year.

Please plan accordingly.

Appointments: Email or call us to let us know what day and time you want to come in. We will add you to our list! When calling, please note that we only retrieve messages when we are in the office. Making appointments cuts down on your wait time in the office.

NEW: Online Payments via E-Checks

Online payment option for vehicle renewal registrations, dog licenses and vital record requests (Marriage, Birth & Death Certificates). Check out the Town of Greenfield website.

Mail in Renewals:

Residents can mail in renewals or use our drop box outside our office. Please address your envelope to Greenfield Town Clerk, PO Box 256, Greenfield, NH 03047. Include a self-addressed, stamped envelope for us to return your registration in. Instructions are on your renewal letters. Please include the letter.

Payment Types: Two Checks or Cash

We are a 2 check Town, which means you will write a check to The Town of Greenfield, for the Town portion of the registration and a check to The State of NH-DMV, for the State portion. We do not take cards.

Moving to Greenfield from another state:

A) New residents to NH are required to register their vehicles and obtain a NH driver's license within sixty (60) days of moving to NH. Bring in your Vehicle Title, or Lienholder information, proof of residency (such as a utility bill, p a y stub etc), current registration, your drivers license and 2 checks or cash for payment. We will retitle your vehicle to NH and give you a NH new registration.

B) If you have a dog, you need to register your dog with the Town Clerk as well.

New Residents to Greenfield from another Town in NH and Change of Address:

A) Residents who move here from another town in NH must notify the Motor Vehicle Dept. of their new address within ten (10) days of a change. Forms are available at the Town Clerks office. Bring in your ID, proof of residency (such as a utility bill, pay stub etc.) and current registration. We will issue an updated registration.

B) If you have a registered dog, we will transfer that registration to Greenfield.

Dog Licenses: New dogs must be registered with the Town Clerk when you get them. All dogs must have renewal registrations done by April 30th. A renewal letter will be sent to you if your dog was registered in Greenfield during the last year. You can pay online, by mail or make an appointment. Current rabies certificate must be on file with the Town Clerk.

Fee Schedule:

Male or Female Dog	9.00
Spayed or Neutered Dog	6.50
Puppy (Under 7 mths)	6.50
1st Dog owned by a Senior (age 65)	2.00
Group Licenses (5-10 dogs)	20.00
Group License (10 or more)	25.00

Failure to license your dog is a violation of State law. In addition to the annual license fee you will be charged a late fee of \$1.00 per month, per dog for each month (or part of month) after May 1st. A civil forfeiture fee will also be assessed in the amount of \$25.00, which is payable within fifteen (15) days of receipt of the notice of failure to register your dog (s). If the forfeiture fee is not paid within that time, a summons to appear in court will be issued.

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Spirit Email: GreenfieldSpirit@gmail.com

Next deadline: November 1, 2022



WIRED ELECTRIC

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Master Electrician

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Greenfield NH 03047

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Cell # 1-774-930-4605

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Wireelectricnh@gmail.com

Fully licensed and insured
All major credit cards accepted

GENERAL ELECTIONS

Tuesday, November 8th, 2022

Location: The Meeting House

Time: 8:00 am to 7:00 pm

PLEASE NOTIFY OUR OFFICE OF ANY NAME OR ADDRESS CHANGES.

SUPERVISOR'S OF THE CHECKLIST

Linda Dodge, Ellen Sanford, Kathy Seigars

REGISTER TO VOTE

& make name or address corrections

2022 SUPERVISOR SESSION

Saturday, October 29th, 2022

Time: 11:30am – 12:00 pm

Location: Town Offices, 7 Sawmill Rd

This is the last day to **Register to Vote** before the **General Election, on Tuesday, Nov. 8th, 2022**. Thereafter, you will need to register at the Polls as same day registration.

You can register to VOTE with the Town Clerk, during of-
fice hours, M. W. TH, 3-5:30pm, until Thurs. Oct. 27th, 2022,
but you will not be officially added to the Voter Checklist
until the Supervisors hold their session on Oct. 29th.

What to bring when registering to VOTE:

- **Proof of identity:** a photo ID such as a driver's license or passport.
- **Proof of age:** an ID with your birth date, as listed above, to prove you are 18 or older.
- **Proof of citizenship:** birth certificate or citizenship papers. Marriage certificate or legal paperwork if you had a name change.
- **Proof of domicile:** such as: a copy of a utility bill showing your name and the physical address; a pay stub showing your name and physical address; your vehicle registration; a notarized letter from your landlord stating you reside at the Greenfield address they rent to you.

Need an absentee ballot?

If you need an absentee ballot, please contact the Town Clerk for an Absentee Ballot Request form or find it on the State of NH, Secretary of State website.

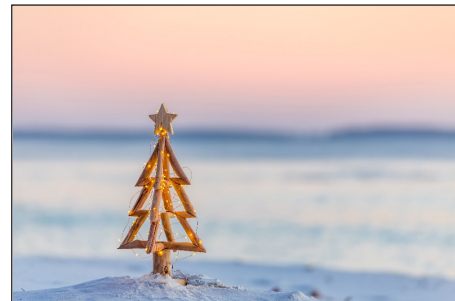
Want to help count ballots after voting? Any Greenfield, registered voter, can help count ballots. Please email or call the Town Clerk for more information.



Friends of the Stephenson Memorial Library

The Friends of the Library is a volunteer nonprofit group that supports our wonderful town library by sponsoring various events and programs. Please consider joining our group! We meet the 3rd Thursday of each month at the Library.

SAVE THE DATE
for the Annual Town Tree Lighting
and Carol Sing,
4:30 at the Library,
Saturday December 3rd.



Thanks to all who supported our Ice Cream Sundae Fundraisers this summer at Music on the Common. All money raised will be used to support Library programming and events!



Book Sales are held every 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month, in the Wensberg Room at the Stephenson Memorial Library. A great selection of books at a great price! Buy a Friend's bag and fill it for free FOREVER

Welcome Baskets!

The Friends have thus far welcomed 18 new families to Greenfield with Welcome Baskets! Do you own a business in town? Would you like to include your business card or a small gift or coupon towards goods/services in future baskets? This is a great way to let new residents know about your business and to welcome newcomers to town!



President: Valli Hannings
Vice President: Ginni Plourde
Treasurer: Clare Delay
Secretary: Alyssum Proctor Russell



OCTOBER 22, 2022 • 4-8 PM
(RAIN DATE OCT 29TH)

*Greenfield's 2nd Annual
Oak Park*

**PUMPKIN
FESTIVAL**

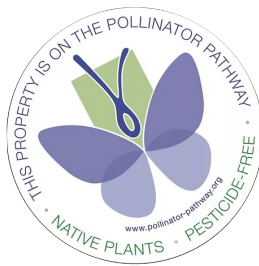
Celebration

**TRUNK OR TREAT | PUMPKIN CARVING
GAMES & CRAFTS | HAY RIDES | FOOD
COSTUME CONTEST**

OAK PARK
971 FOREST RD
GREENFIELD, NH 03047

@OAKPARKNH

POLLINATOR PATHWAY MEETING



Calling all gardeners interested in protecting our pollinators such as bees and butterflies. We will be holding a meeting on January 18, 2023 for all those interested in starting a pollinator garden in the spring of 2023. Having this meeting will allow us to get to know one another and answer any questions about the Pollinator Pathway, pollinators in general and the plants they need to survive.

We have lots of ideas for the fun we can have with this project next year. We will not only end up with beautiful flower gardens but each gardener who is willing to plant a pollinator garden will earn a free sign with the Pollinator Pathway logo on it to identify the garden on Greenfield's part of the Pollinator Pathway. See above.

Please watch for the location of the meeting in the next issue of the Spirit. We look forward to meeting with you.

The Greenfield Conservation Commission



SOUTHERN NH SERVICES FUEL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Thanks to funding from the U.S. Department of Energy, New Hampshire residents who are elderly, disabled and low-income are provided financial assistance needed to pay for vital heating and utility expenses through the colder months. LIHEAP also offers case management to develop a plan to achieve increased financial self-sufficiency to avoid energy-related emergencies such as running out of heating fuel.

The Fuel Assistance Program provides grant benefits from \$304 to \$3,024 for heating purposes that do not have to be repaid to eligible homeowners and renters for the winter season as follows:

- If your heat is electric or natural gas, bills from November 1st can be paid until your benefit amount is used up or the program year ends.
 - If your heat is from deliverable fuels, oil, kerosene, propane, wood or coal, deliveries made from October 1st – April 30th can be paid until your benefit amount is used up or the program year ends.
 - If your heat is included in your rent and is NOT subsidized, assistance will be provided in the form of heating vouchers issued in amounts of up to \$504 each month until your benefit amount is used up or the program year ends.
- *If your heat is included in your rent and IS subsidized, you will not qualify for Fuel Assistance but you may qualify for Electric Assistance.

The Fuel Assistance Program application deadline is April 30th, 2023.

For the 2022-2023 Fuel Assistance Program, pre-applications will be made available to priority families, elderly, disabled and families with young children under 6 after July 1st. All others can pre-apply after September 1st.

Additional Assistance through Weatherization

All Fuel Assistance applicants will be asked if you want to participate in our Weatherization Program. This is an opportunity to have your home or apartment inspected by our trained Energy Auditors to determine if your home can be made more efficient to lower your energy bills. If your living space is drafty, in need of more insulation or has unsafe heating appliances, we will have the work done to make your home or apartment warmer, more comfortable and safer at no cost to you. If you are a renter, we will need permission from the landlord.



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Hillsborough, NH 03244
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<https://www.snh.org/services/fuel-assistance>



GREENFIELD FIREFIGHTERS' ANNUAL Wreath Sales



Greenfield Fire Department
Sat. Nov. 26th & Sun. Nov. 27th
1 – 3 pm
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200 QUILTS TO BE DISPLAYED AT QUILT SHOW



The Monadnock Quilters' Guild biennial quilt show will be held on Saturday and Sunday, October 8 and 9 at the South Meadow School in Peterborough. The quilts represent quilters (male and female) from fourteen Monadnock area towns and seven nearby communities, including Greenfield. The Fall Festival of Quilts will be open

from 10am-5pm on Saturday and 10am-4pm on Sunday. Admission is \$7 for all, with children under 12 free.

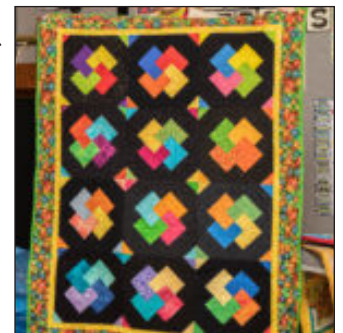
In addition to the main quilt exhibit, the feature of this year's show will be an exhibit of over thirty quilts depicting various seasons and holidays from Signs of Spring to Jingle All the Way.

There will also be vendors, a boutique of handmade items, new and antique quilts for sale, 11 raffle baskets in a wide variety of themes, a café serving light refreshments and lunch, activities for children, and demonstrations of quilting

techniques. A special raffle of wall hangings will be held to benefit the variety of charitable endeavors designed to bring warmth and love of handmade quilts to those in need among their neighbors.

Several of our neighbors belong to the Monadnock Quilt Guild, including: Kathie Beltz, Kathie Brooks, Jean Rube Rainier, Pat Simmons and Bev Wakeman. Several of their quilts and wall hangings will be on display.

The Guild is celebrating nearly 40 years of fostering the love of quilting and providing quilts to those in need. Over 90 members range in age from their 20's to 90's and skill levels from beginner to award winners! The Guild meets every third Friday of the month at Divine Mercy Church. More information on the Guild and the show can be found at the MQG website at www.monadnockquiltersguild.org or visit them on Facebook at www.facebook.com/MonadnockQG.



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2 - 4:00 pm Friends of the Meeting House -
Festival of Trees at the Meeting House

Historical Society - Museum will be open.
from 3 - 6pm

4:30 pm Friends of the Library - Tree Lighting at the
Library with caroling and hot drinks

5:00 pm Fire & Ice Parade down Main Street to Oak Park

Oak Park: Food, Bonfires, Gas Heaters, Music,
Hay Rides and more

6 - 7:30 - Treats & Pictures for Kids with Santa

8:00 pm Parade Winners Announcement

*A Community Celebration Organized by the Greenfield Fire
Department and the Firefighters' Association. For more
information or to sign up to be included in the parade -
Call or text Stephanie Babb at 603-831-3745 or
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GREENFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT
ANNUAL FIRE & ICE PARADE

APPLICATION FOR ENTRY

Saturday, 12/3/22, snow date, Saturday 12/10/22

No Charge For Entry

This years theme is: Christmas Classics – Movies or Songs

Contact Name: _____

Company or Organization, if not individual _____

Address: _____

Telephone #: _____ E-mail _____

One Application Per Entry

Float _____ or Vehicle _____

Would you like to be entered into the Judging? ___ Yes ___ No

Trophies Are Presented To The Winners At Oak Park

Please return all applications or submit any questions to:
Stephanie Babb
gfdnhfireandice@gmail.com

Additional information will be emailed as available!





Sundays at the Meeting House

Worship Service
10:00AM
Potluck Fellowship After Service



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Donations of food and clothing are always welcome. (You can donate food items at the Greenfield Post Office or on Saturday mornings at the Food Pantry. Good, clean clothing can be dropped off at the Ministry Center Drop Box or on Saturday mornings at the Clothes Closet. To all of our friends who contribute to our GCC Food Pantry, THANK YOU!! Your contributions go a long way in help those who are experiencing food insecurity.

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The FGCM would like to thank everyone who was a part of our third annual GREENFIELD\OKTOBERFEST last week! (If Oktoberfest was canceled for a hurricane, an invasion from Canada, or monkey pox, please disregard this part of the article, since I wrote it in August!). We would first of all like to thank John Hopkins of Monadnock Tent for his incredible generosity in providing tents, chairs, tables, grills, and lighting for Oktoberfest, free of charge. Without John's donations and the professional expertise of Monadnock Tent, Oktoberfest could not happen. Thank you, John and crew!

Oktoberfest has two equally important missions. Thanks to donations and volunteers, each Oktoberfest earns several thousand dollars for our Building Fund, but just as importantly, Oktoberfest brings our entire community together at the Meetinghouse, allowing everyone to see the incredible potential of the building! Special thanks to all our volunteers and Silent Auction donors, and to everyone who bought raffle tickets or donated directly to the Meetinghouse Building Fund. Very special thanks to Warren Aldrich and Sharon Andrews for organizing and cooking the German Dinner, to Jess Weeks and Harvester Market for donating food, and to Rich Stadnick for providing homemade cider! We are grateful to the Greenfield Police Department, all the town office staff, the Selectboard, and the Fire Department for their help. Thanks also to Brighid and Andres Wood, Laura Kostenblatt, Fred Simmons and Leslie Vogel, and Jarvis Adams and Larry Gilbert. Oktoberfest is truly a community effort...saving our Meetinghouse is something (almost!) everyone in town can agree on!

Our architects, Misiaszek Turpin, are now hard at work on the design plan for the Meetinghouse renovations. Since our Meetinghouse is on the National Register of Historic Places, the facade and appearance of the building will not change; only be upgraded (paint, repairs to clapboards, energy efficient windows, etc.). The use of each space and the flow of the building will remain as close to the existing interior as possible, but there will be changes in order to bring the spaces to code (stairs, elevator for accessibility, getting that bathroom out of the upstairs kitchen!).

While the Meetinghouse is listed on the National Register, the project is NOT a historic restoration, since both interior and exterior have changed and evolved continuously over the building's 227 year history. The Meetinghouse is currently a complete hodge-podge of styles, eras, and decor; it would be virtually impossible to choose one time period to duplicate. Records and photos at the Greenfield Historical Society document the many changes over time. For example, the second floor originally consisted of a wide gallery looking down on the first floor, similar to the Jaffrey meetinghouse; the full second floor was not added until later. At one point, the entire Meetinghouse was turned to face south, which explains why the cemetery is oriented differently from the building! The basement—which was not added until the 1950's, when three men with wheelbarrows excavated the space by hand—now has extensive leaks and water damage. After the renovation, all these spaces will be unified, simple and beautiful, reflecting and honoring the original design from the 1700's.

The FGCM, the Greenfield Selectboard, and Misiaszek Turpin want to hear from YOU in the design process! Please stay tuned for the next public meeting with Misiaszek Turpin. Bring your old photos and memories of the Meetinghouse...this project belongs to everyone! To volunteer with the Friends of the Meetinghouse, please email Greenfieldmeetinghouse@gmail.com. To donate to the Meetinghouse Building Fund, please go to <https://www.greenfield-meetinghouse.org/>. The FGCM is a registered 501c3 organization.



STEPHENSON MEMORIAL LIBRARY NEWS

David Bridgewater, Director

Library Contact: 603-547-2790, director@stephensonlibrary.org

OPEN to the public - Hours: Tues 2-6, Wed 10-8, Thurs 2-8, Fri 2-6, Sat 10-4

The Stephenson Memorial Library is a not-for-profit public library.

- A little late, but I want to welcome and introduce Ella Cademartori, our new children's librarian. She has a Master of Education, Library Media Studies, a Bachelor of Arts in Art History and Anthropology, and has worked in four different public libraries and the ConVal High School library. She brings all of these experiences and education to our library. If you haven't already met her, come in and introduce yourself.

David

- In the Children's Department this month the **Ladybug Book Club** will meet on Friday October 14th at 3.45 to read Norman Didn't Do It (Yes He Did) by Ryan T. Higgins.

Our **story times** this month will include Fire Safety (5th), Farms (12th), Scarecrows (19th), and Pumpkins (26th). Please join us for any or all of the story times at 11.00am on Wednesdays.

We'll also be hosting a **Stuffed Animal Sleepover** October 26th-27th, so bring your stuffies in during opening hours to see what they might get up to when you're not around!

Ms. Cheri and Ella.

- Middle school children are invited to Friday afternoon games sessions 3.00ish (from the bus) to 5.30. Games include ping pong, bumper pool, lots of board games and construction kits. Pizza and juice will be provided so they need to register to make sure we have enough. Parents welcome.

We would like to offer this to high schoolers later the same evening or Monday evening, but for that we would need adult volunteers to supervise and participate. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact David.

If adults would like to use these games at times when the Wensberg Room is not otherwise in use, during the week or at the weekend, please contact David

- In October the girl scouts will be updating their Story Walk with a new book called In the Woods: Who's been there? By Lindsey Barrett George.



- During October and November we will be displaying watercolor paintings by the Greenfield artist David Beardsley. The one above looks to show a nice cooling gin and tonic, but that might just be my wishful thinking!

Ongoing activities in the Wensberg Meeting Room:

Mah-jongg on Mondays 2:00 – 5:00

LEGO Challenge, for those who signed up, on Tuesdays 3:30 – 5:00

Cribbage on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays 1:30 onwards.

Line Dancing on Wednesday at 7:00

LEGO free play, for those that signed up, on Thursdays 3:30 – 5:00

The Quilters meet at various times to work on their wonderful quilts.

The adult book group meets at 3pm (new time!) on the last Saturday of the month. Please see page 4.

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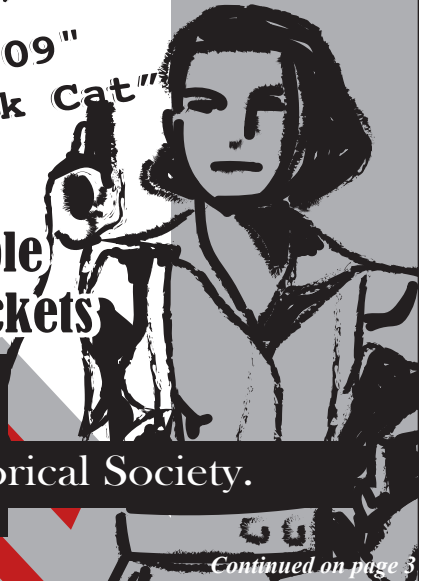
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