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Longmeadow Church Breakfast

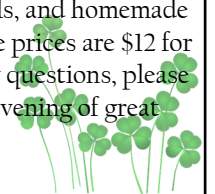
This **March** the breakfast is on the 7th from 6:30 – 10:00 am. The breakfast is on the first Sat of each month from September until May at Longmeadow Congregational Church, 4 Wilson's Crossing Rd. Where else can you meet your old friends, catch up on town news and enjoy an "all you can eat breakfast" of French toast, English muffins, eggs your way, pancakes, sausage, bacon, home fries, homemade beans and muffins, and beverages for a donation of \$6 for adults, \$3 for children 6-12 and under 5 free?

Looking forward to seeing you and your friends!



St. Paddy's Day Supper

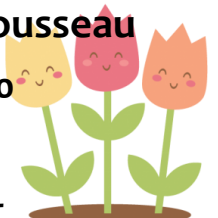
The Longmeadow Church, 4 Wilson's Crossing Rd., will be having their Annual St Paddy's Day dinner on March 14th from 5-7. Served will be the traditional homecooked meal which will include corned beef, carrots, cabbage, boiled onions, potatoes, rolls, and homemade dessert. Tickets will be available at the door. The prices are \$12 for adults, \$10 for children 6-12 and free under 6. Any questions, please call 483-2907. Come and join your friends for an evening of great food and friendship! See you on March 14th.



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A Sustained Focus for 2019

As we look forward to the coming year and beyond, the Board of Selectmen was able to take some time in mid-January to participate in a facilitated workshop meeting intent on identifying goals for the Town during the coming year.

This was the fourth consecutive year the Board has participated in a goal setting process to help focus attention on major items of attention and interest.

Part of this process involved first looking at the four goals identified for activity in 2019 and gauging what level of success was achieved. A quick recap of 2019 includes:

- *Focus on potential development of the south end of Auburn including potential for water line installation, Planning Board meeting with reputable developers concerning regulations, and development of 55+ zoning regulations.*

The Board of Selectmen had the Town's engineers review the potential of bringing water service to this area and it was agreed it was too costly for consideration at this time. The Planning Board met with several reputable developers and ultimately developed a 55 and Older Housing Regulation that is being presented to voters in March 2020 for approval.

- *Research renovation for the Police Department and storage plan for Parks and Recreation.*

The Town was able to design and build a renovation and addition to the Police Department in 2019 that addresses the need for separated locker rooms, records storage capacity and additional storage for larger items. A warrant article before the voter in March 2020 seeks to fund a 20' x 40' storage building for Parks and Recreation which, if approved, would be built in 2020 on the grounds of the Safety Complex.

- *Exploration of Digitizing of Town Records.*

This process was reviewed in 2019 including securing a rough cost estimate from a recognized vendor on the potential cost for outsourcing the scanning to digitize documents. This project will be ready to go out to bid in the Summer of 2020 for initial funding to be included in the FY 20201 budget.

The Board has just received and published a formal document detailing their thoughts and discussions for the goal setting for 2020, which has been shared with department heads, boards and committees, and the public

as a whole. We are pleased to indicate in general the five main goals our Board identified for our collective efforts in 2020:

- Completion of the storage garage project for Parks and Recreation if approved by the voters in March 2020.
- Develop a partnership with the Trustees of the Library to formulate a plan for the expansion of the library and provision of a community center space. Overall, this is anticipated to be a long-term process that in 2020 will involve community surveying, professional evaluation of the land and current library building to determine development and expansion potential, possible focus group discussions and the holding of a facilitated community forum for input.
- Focus on the Town's building maintenance efforts and needs for five public buildings and determine how best to address protecting and maintaining those Town assets. Depending on potential funding from voters in March 2020, the Town is looking to begin renovations and improvements to the Pingree Hill Fire Station and insulate the Safety Complex in 2020.



- Meet with officials of Manchester Water Works to discuss and finalize a number of issues between the Town and MWW for the benefit of both parties. The goal is to begin the discussions in April / May 2020.
 - Work with developers to promote 55 and Older housing development should the voters approve the proposed zoning regulations in March 2020.
- As we move forward in 2020, we are optimistic these are goals that can be worked on and achieved or at least move forward during the next 12 months.

New Faces

During the past month, we have welcomed Paula Wright to the Town Hall as Deputy Town Clerk. Walter Milne resigned his position as Town Treasurer to accept the position of Deputy Tax Collector.

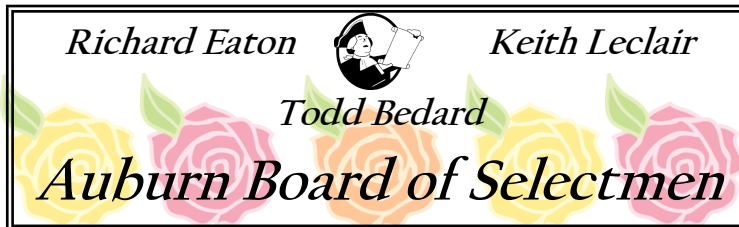
The Board was fortunate to be able to appoint former Town Treasurer Christine Soucie to replace Walter as Treasurer. And Joseph Forest has resigned his position as a Library Trustee fol-

lowing six years of service. Alternate Trustee Marilyn Cavanaugh was appointed to fill the vacant Trustee position.

Let Your Vote be Counted



Don't forget local Town and School District elections will be held on Tuesday, March 10th from 7 AM to 7 PM at the Auburn Village School.



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Jumping Beans

Jumping Beans is a NEW class for children ages 2-5 to get out and get moving with the wonderful Miss Joelle!

This class offers moms (or dads, aunts, uncles, grandmas, etc) and kids an opportunity to make new friends and dance to some of the kiddos favorite songs. We will do simple dance moves to go along with the music. Jumping Beans is a fun upbeat class that offers kids the opportunity to be themselves whether that's dancing with their friends or running around and enjoying the music. Miss Joelle is a fellow Auburn mom (to Ryle age 4 and Karlee age 7) that understands the importance of little ones getting out and finding something to put their energy into.



The winter session will run from March 4 through April 22. Classes will be held on Wednesdays from 9:30 am until 10:30 am at the Safety Complex. The fee for the 8-week session is \$49. To register, please use the form on the following page and return to Parks and Recreation.

Basketball Camp



Lead by AVS Basketball Coach and Teacher, Coach DeGraffe along with Coach Howell, this is a weeklong co-ed basketball camp where players will have the ability to work on ball handling and defensive skills as well as learn about how to move and handle themselves on the court. The basketball style that is the foundation of this camp is to teach players how to make choices on the court that maximizes their own set of skills. This style teaches players the basics "rules" for an offence and lets the player use their own creativity on the court to make decisions at game speed.

Defensively players will learn the basic and advanced skills for setting up and creating a man to man defense on their own and how to make adjustments at game speed. Concepts and position for different situations will be introduced and when they are used will become a part of their decision-making process on the court.

NEW THIS SUMMER>>>> We will offer 2 different weeks of basketball camp. **July 13-17 is open to students who will be entering 5th and 6th grade** and **July 20-24 will be for students entering grades 7 & 8**. Both camps will be held at the Tower Hill Church from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm with a fee of \$175 for the full week. To register, fill out the registration form



Town Wide Yard Sale



Clean out your attics, basements and garages and join the second annual Auburn Town Wide Yard Sale to be held on **Saturday, May 9 from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm**. You price and tag your own items, set the sale up at your own house and then you keep the profits. The registration fee is only \$15. When you register with the Parks and Recreation department, your house will be included on the official town wide yard sale map, you will receive location sign to help shoppers find your sale easily and we will take care of all the advertising for you.

SELLERS: To sign up for the Town-Wide Yard Sale, please complete the registration form (in the discussion tab) and return it to the Parks and Recreation Department along with payment. The deadline to register is April 30th.

SHOPPERS: To shop the Town-Wide Yard Sale, you can pick up the map at the Town Hall starting on Wednesday, May 6th. They will also be available at AuburnNH.us or on the Auburn Parks and Recreation Facebook page starting on Wednesday, May 6th. You can also pick up a copy the day of the event from 7:30 am - 12:30 pm at the Auburn Town Hall. There is no charge for the map.

Tai Chi

Tai Chi is a mind-body exercise from China. It has roots in martial arts, philosophy and Traditional Chinese Medicine. The Tai Chi forms are slow, gentle choreographed movements that gracefully flow from one to the next like a dance. More and more seniors are doing Tai Chi to improve their health and reduce their risk of falling. The next 10-week session will start on **Friday, March 20th at 11:00 am at the Safety Complex** and runs through May 22. The cost for the program is \$59. To register for the 10-week program, please use the form on the following page and return to Parks and Recreation.



Junior Chef

Get your kids cooking with Auburn Parks & Recreation's Junior Chefs Cooking Classes. Each month kids are introduced to new recipes, kitchen safety tips and fun themes. Join in one class or every month. Grades K-8 are welcome, younger kids may need parent helpers to stay.

New in 2020... classes are now 90 minutes!! All classes are held at Longmeadow Church from 4:00 pm until 5:30 pm. The next classes are **March 3- Think Green, April 7 – Spring foods, May 5 – Cinco de Mayo Fun**. The class fee is \$24 per class. Preregistration is required for each class as space is limited. Please use the registration on the following page or on our website and return to the Parks and Rec.



How to Register for Parks and Rec Programs

To register for Parks & Rec programs, you can use the form below or you can find a copy for each program on our website at auburnNH.us/parks-and-recreation under the "Rec Forms" tab. The completed forms along with payment can be mailed to Auburn Parks and Recreation, PO Box 309, Auburn NH 03032 or you can drop it off at the Town Hall. Checks can be made payable to "Town of Auburn". If you have any questions, you can call Amy at 483-5052 x101 or email at Recreation@townofauburnNH.com.

For the most updated information on Parks and Rec activities, follow us on Facebook or Instagram at **AuburnNHParksAndRec**



Parks and Recreation Program Registration Form

Participant's Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

For youth Programs...

Parent's Name: _____

Participant's Age: _____

(For summer camps) Grade Entering in Sept. 2020 _____

I would like to register for (please circle) ...

Jumping Beans

Basketball Camp Grade 5 & 6

Basketball Camp Grades 7 & 8

Town-Wide Yard Sale

Tai Chi

Junior Chef- March

Junior Chef- April

Junior Chef- May

Please return this form to Auburn Parks and Recreation, PO Box 309, Auburn, NH 03032 or you can drop it off at the Town Hall. Checks can be made payable to the Town of Auburn. Please call the Parks and Recreation office at 483-5052 x101 or email Recreation@townofauburnNH.com with any questions.

If you need an additional form, you can find one on the town website at AuburnNH.us/parks-and-recreation under "Rec Forms".



Cub Scout Pack 127 Celebrates Scouting's 110th Anniversary with Blue and Gold Event

On February 8th, Auburn Cub Scout Pack 127 held their annual Blue and Gold Banquet to celebrate scouting's 110th anniversary and to thank leaders and parents who have helped the pack throughout the year. The Scouts received many ranks, adventure loops, and achievements they had worked hard to earn, and they also presented many creative skits and jokes.

The highlight of the evening was the two Webelo II scouts receiving the Arrow of Light award-the highest rank a Cub Scout can earn. Congratulations to Wyatt S. and Riley R. who with this award also "bridged over" to Scouts BSA. They have learned and accomplished a lot in their time as Cub Scouts. The Pack is excited to send them off to their next adventure as Scouts BSA.

Thank you to all of the parents and leaders who made this a memorable and fun event for the Cub Scouts and their families.



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Girl Scouts

This is the month you have been waiting for! GIRL SCOUT COOKIES HAVE ARRIVED! Be on the lookout for friendly neighborhood Girl Scouts delivering cookies as well as for cookie booths in various locations. Visit Auburn Village School on March 10th to vote and pick up your cookies or resupply if you already finished your first order. Each box of cookies raises funds for both the individual girl who is selling, and her troop, so that new activities, skills and adventures can be funded. 8 flavors are available this year and are \$5 per box. We hope that you enjoy a few boxes this season or make a donation to our Gift of Caring options. Cookie Sale ends at the end of March so don't miss your chance to grab your favorite flavors - they freeze well!

From the Girl Scouts of Auburn!



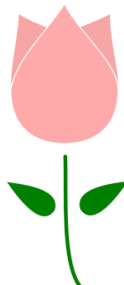
DOG
LICENSES

IT'S DOG LICENSING TIME AGAIN!

All dogs need to be re-licensed every year by April 30

The 2020 dog tags are
Purple colored.

See the dog licensing link at
www.auburnnh.us



2020 BOAT DECALS ARE AVAILABLE!

You can register your boat at the Town Clerk's office.

*The town gets an additional \$5.00 fee to process boats for the State.

Monday 10:00 AM - 7:00 PM

**Wednesday & Thursday
8:00 AM - 2:00 PM**

Friday 8:00 AM – Noon

Remember: When you complete your boat registration in town, the town fees collected will remain in Auburn, otherwise they go to the State.





Kathy Growney, Library Director


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Programming Highlight

 **Backyard Bird Habitat** - In this program we explore the essential elements like food, water, and shelter needed to create a thriving, healthy backyard habitat to entice birds and other wildlife. Regardless of the size of your yard, small changes can transform the wildlife appeal of your property! The program is presented by Kelly Dwyer of the New Hampshire Audubon and will be held at the Griffin Free Public Library in Auburn on Wednesday, March 18 at 6:30 PM.

 Professor Albert E. "Buzz" Scherr will present, *Do You Know Where Your DNA Is?* He will take you through the current state of Forensic DNA technology, genetic genealogy, familial searching and wrongful convictions based on post-conviction DNA testing among the many and varied uses of genetic information. Join us on Wednesday, March 25 at 6:30 PM for this program.

 In the Children's Room, Miss Mary continues to run "Find the 4-Leaf Clover" on Tuesdays and Fridays through March 17th. Starting March 18, she will run the "Hunt for the Easter Egg." See Miss Mary for details.

Upcoming Programming for Adults:

Knitting / Crochet

EVERY Friday, 10:30 AM – Noon

Evening Book Club – *Where the Crawdad's Sing* by Delia Owens

Wed., Mar. 4 @ 6:30 PM

Cookbook Club – Pies! Sweet or Savory

Sat., Mar. 14 @ 12:30 PM

Day Book Club – *Where the Crawdad's Sing* by Delia Owens

Wed., Mar. 11 @ 1:30 PM

Genealogy Club –

Sat., Mar. 21 @ 10 AM

Backyard Bird Habitat

Wed, Mar. 18 @ 6:30 PM

Do You Know Where Your DNA Is?

Wed., Mar. 25 @ 6:30 PM

Upcoming Programming for Children:

EVERY Tuesday, 11:00 AM and Friday, 1:00 PM Infant/Toddler Storytime with Miss Mary

Storytime with Miss Mary: *Happy Birthday Dr. Seuss!*

STEM on Saturday – *Make a Magic Turtle*

Sat., Mar. 7 @ 1 PM

Craft Club: *Optical Illusion Drawing*

Wed., Mar. 11 @ 4:15 PM

Craft Club: *Duct Tape Coin Pouch*

Wed., Mar. 25 @ 4:15 PM

STEM on Saturday – *LEGO Math Patterns*

Sat., Apr. 4 @ 1 PM



JLN Contracting opens up new office in Auburn NH

Auburn, NH February 10, 2020 - JLN Contracting, a leading New England General Contractor announces the opening of their newest office at 254 Rockingham Road in Auburn NH. Jack Neubieser, Owner of JLN Contracting, said "We are very excited about this new location. It will allow us to better serve the New Hampshire, Vermont and Massachusetts communities". JLN also has an office located at 510 Christian Lane in Berlin, CT.

Founded in 2010 JLN Contracting has grown to become one of New England's top construction service providers. JLN is a private commercial general contractor specializing in commercial Construction Management and General Contracting in various markets including, automotive, retail, financial, medical, restaurant, warehouses and office buildings.

Steve Harris, Director of Construction Northeast and a resident of Auburn, NH is heading up this office with a team of local staff. Steve has over 30 years of experience in general contracting in the commercial, retail, financial and automotive industries.

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AVS School News

**Mark Your Calendars! March
24th at 6:30 p.m.**

K-4 Family Math and Literacy Game Night

Come and join Sonia McDaniel, elementary reading specialist, and Christina Spain, math support for some fun literacy and math games. Discover ways to help your child learn and review reading and math skills while having fun!!!!



7th Grade Parents: Save the Date- 3/13/20 (7:45 a.m.- 2:15 p.m.)

Annual Project SAFEGUARD Event- Student and Family Education Guards Us Against Reliance on Drugs

This daylong event for parents and students takes place at the Tower Hill Church in Auburn and is a wonderful opportunity to learn and grow with your child. Please be on the lookout for more detailed information being sent home in January. Feel free to contact Mrs. Avellino with any questions. Mrs. Avellino can be reached at 483-2769 ext. 2218.

Athletics News

The athletics department is looking for a girls' lacrosse coach for the upcoming 2020 spring season. If anyone is interested, please contact, Amy Magnan, Athletic Director at avsad@SAU15.net

Save the Dates!!

- Aladdin, the musical. Performed by the 8th grade: Friday night, 6pm, March 13, 2020
- Spring Exhibition of Learning for the Middle School: May 28, 2020
- Inaugural Elementary Exhibition of Learning: June 4, 2020.



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Sun – 8:00 am & 10:00 am

Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri – 7:00 am



Lenten Devotions: Stations of the Cross – Fridays at 6:30 pm in the Church. During Lent, our daily Mass schedule is as follows: Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday at 7:00 am and Friday at 12:00 noon.

Franciscan Mystery Players: The Franciscan Mystery Players will present a dramatic meditation on the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary on Friday, March 27 at 7:30 pm in the church.

***Walking with Purpose* Women's Bible Study:** Thursdays from 6:30-8:00 pm. For more information, contact Michelle Paul at 603-623-5429, ext. 2 or stpeteraub@comcast.net

Baptism or Marriage: For information on scheduling a Baptism or Marriage, please contact Fr. Michael Gendron at 603-623-5429, ext. 1.

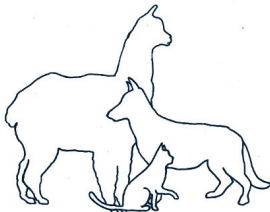
Interested in learning more about the Catholic Church? The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a ministry to adults who are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, and growing in their relationship with God. If you have never been baptized, have been baptized in another Christian tradition, or were baptized Catholic but have not received the sacraments of First Eucharist and/or Confirmation, and are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, please contact Jake Linxweiler, Director of RCIA at 483-5571, or the parish office at stpeteraub@comcast.net.



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We have weathered a few storms here this winter in New Hampshire, but the Spirit has continued to shine brightly in our midst here at Longmeadow Congregational Church, United Church of Christ. We look forward to the holy days that lie before us and we invite you to join us as we walk together through this Lenten season. We are located at 4 Wilson's Crossing Road in Auburn and invite you to join us as together we worship the God who is Still Speaking. We come together for worship on Sunday mornings at 9:30 with Sunday School and childcare available at the same time.

February was a month of outreach for our church with our young people leading the way. Joining in the nationwide Souper Bowl of Caring, on February 2 our young people raised \$311, all of which was donated to the Food Pantry at the Chester Congregational Baptist Church, which serves residents of Auburn. Nationwide over \$9 million dollars was raised by young people and directly donated to programs that help to end hunger and we are very proud of our young people for being part of that effort. Our Mission Committee also felt moved in February by the suffering of our brothers and sisters in Puerto Rico after the hurricanes and those in Australia recovering from wildfires and we felt called to serve them as



well with special offerings.

On February 9 we also celebrated our relationship with Boy Scout Troop 127 and Cub Scout Pack 127 on Scout Sunday with several Scouts and leaders participating in worship and were delighted to award five Cub Scouts their BSA Emblem of Faith awards. It is such a blessing to be part of the faith formation of these young people.

March holds some more opportunities to welcome you, our Auburn neighbors, and serve some wonderful culinary delights with our Community Breakfast on Saturday, March 7 and our annual St. Paddy's Day Dinner on Saturday, March 14. You can find details elsewhere in this edition of The Village Crier.



Holy Week

Amidst these celebrations, meals and service, we never forget why we exist. We come together as people of faith, seeking to be disciples of Jesus Christ and we welcome you to join us at any time, but especially during this holy season of Lent. If you do not have a regular

church home, we invite you to mark your calendars for the high holy days coming in early April and know that you will always find a welcome here at Longmeadow:

Sunday, April 5, 9:30 a.m. – **Palm Sunday** is celebrated at Longmeadow with a special music

filled service that leads us through the last days of Jesus, from his triumphal entry into Jerusalem to the Cross. If you are a music lover, you won't want to miss this.

Thursday, April 9, 7:00 p.m. –

Maundy Thursday is a special night with an interactive commemoration of Jesus last meals with his disciples and a recounting of the crucifixion. It is a night of reflection and community walking the journey together.

Sunday, April 12, 6:00 a.m. **Easter Sunrise** finds us gathered on the banks of Lake Massabesic to welcome the joy of the Resurrection.

9:30 a.m. **Easter Family Worship** is celebrated at the church with joy.

No matter who you are or where you are on your spiritual journey, you are welcome here. At Longmeadow Congregational Church, we seek not just to go to church but to BE THE CHURCH! If you have any questions, please



Auburn Police News

Hello Auburn Residents,

In February the Police Department held our Second Annual Recognition night. This is a night established by Chief Pelton, not only to commend various achievements from the year past, but also for the families of the department to have an opportunity to take part. This night commends officers for their work, acknowledges their years of dedicated service to the law enforcement profession and is a ceremonial swearing in of new officers and promotions.

Part-time officer Chance Spinney, full-time officer Ryan Goulet, and newly promoted Sergeant James Huard were ceremoniously sworn in by Pastor Ruth of Longmeadow Church and family members pinned badges on those officers.



We had 5 officers receive hashmarks for their years of service. Between these officers, they have dedicated more than 40 years of their career to the Town of Auburn. Those years of service include Officer Lillian Deeb; 5 years, Officer Pete Lennon; 10 years, Sgt. Kevin Cashman; 15 years, Lt. Chip Chabot; 30 years; Officer Gary Bartis; 40 years.



The Life Saving Award was presented to Officer Peter Lennon for an incident he was dispatched to. Officer Anita Lombardo was also awarded the Life Saving Award for two separate incidents she responded too. Melissa Gates was awarded the Chief's Achievement Award for her work organizing and implementing Auburn's first Citizen Academy. Selectman Richard Eaton was also acknowledged for his assistance and overseeing of the department's building expansion project, which is now complete. The building now includes storage, records/conference room, separate locker rooms for males and females, and a lunchroom.



The department is looking forward to Spring, and the many events we are working on, and we look forward to seeing you at the polls on March 10th.



Auburn Fire Department News



Cars can catch fire for many reasons. Mechanical or electrical issues are the most common cause. A car can also catch fire as the result of a bad crash. If you see smoke or flames or smell burning rubber or plastic, respond immediately.

What to do if your car is on fire

- Pull over as quickly as it is safe to do so, be sure to use your signal as you make your way to a safe location off the road such as the breakdown lane or rest stop.
- Once you have stopped, TURN OFF the engine.
- GET everyone out of the car. Never return to a burning car for anything.
- MOVE everyone at least 100 feet from the burning car and well away from traffic.
- CALL 9-1-1.

How to prevent a car fire

- Have your car serviced regularly by a professionally trained mechanic. If you spot leaks, your car is not running properly, get it checked. A well-maintained car is less likely to have a fire.
- If you must transport gasoline, transport only a small amount in a certified gas can that is sealed. Keep a window open for ventilation.
- Gas cans and propane cylinders should never be transported in the passenger compartment.
- Never park a car where flammables, such as grass, are touching the catalytic converter.
- Drive safely to avoid an accident.

Know the danger signs

- Cracked or loose wiring or electrical problems, including a fuse that blows more than once
- Oil or fluid leaks
- Oil cap not on securely
- Rapid changes in fuel or fluid level, or engine temperature

Most car fluids are flammable. Heat and electrical sparks plus leaking fluid are all it takes to start a car fire.



FACT

Most crashes do NOT result in fire. In the event of any crash, call 9-1-1. If there is no sign of fire, wait for emergency assistance to help any injured individuals out of the car.

News from the Auburn Historical Association

The “Devil’s Den Cottage”



This little house that sits on Hooksett Road just north of the Auburn Village School has quite a history. The cottage floors at one time belonged to a dance hall...

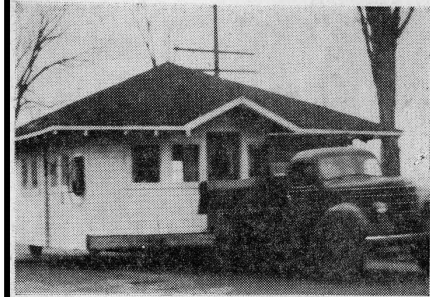
In 1894, the Manchester Union Leader reported that a ‘cyclone’ had swept across the northern end of Lake Massabesic. Boats were tossed onto dry land, the pilot house of a steamboat blew off and Noah Reed’s dance hall fell flat! Everything of value was salvaged and the nails were driven out of the wood, to be used again.

Every N.H. “Gazetteer” told stories about the Devil’s Den in Auburn. With the arrival of the automobile, Devil’s Den became a destination. The Hazelton family owned the Devil’s Den property and decided to put up a cottage where ice cream and hot dogs were sold to the “tourists”. The salvaged oak floor boards from Noah Reed’s old dance hall became the cottage floor. After the depression, the refreshment stand was no longer used.

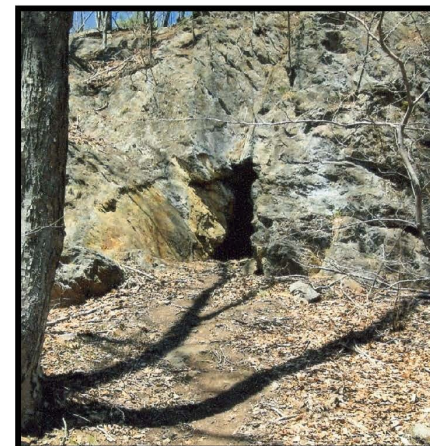
When John Sargent came home from WWII he needed a place for his family. His in-laws owned a lot on Hooksett Road. The cottage was jacked up, put on Cliff Stacy’s truck and moved 2 miles into the Village where it is still there today! Please visit our website for photos and information—Auburnhistorical.org

Home, Sweat, Home

Ex-G. I., Unable to Build On Lot, Moves House



JOURNEY’S END — Home of Ex-GI and Mrs. John Sargent of Auburn, which was moved two miles to lot they owned in order to solve their acute housing problem. So staunchly did the four-room house stand its trip that everything in it, including furniture was found intact at the end of the journey.



News from the Auburn Historical Association



Auburn, NH is 175 years old!

The Auburn Historical Association is selling pewter commemorative ornaments to celebrate this milestone! The ornaments are \$18 each. We also have stands for \$4.00 so you can display the ornament year round. These can be purchased at the AHA open houses, every 3rd Saturday of the month from 1-4. Or contact us at info@auburnhistorical.org to set up a time that works better for you.

JOIN US FOR THESE UPCOMING EVENTS

Please consider joining the Auburn Historical Association as a member or attending one of our open houses to find out more about the history of the people and places that make this little town so wonderful to live in!

Open houses are on the 3rd Saturday of each month from 1-4 at the museum - 102 Hooksett Road. We hope to see you there!

Monthly Open House
Saturday March 21

"The Founding Fathers"
Thursday, March 26
(See below)

The Founding Fathers History Presentation

March 26, 2020 @7:00pm at the Auburn Historical Assoc. meeting room

Speaker Richard Hesse on "The Founding Fathers: What Were They Thinking". Prof. Hesse is the Emeritus Professor of Law at the University of New Hampshire School of Law. The talk will be about the 1787 delegates that gathered in Philadelphia to address a variety of crises facing the young United States, leading to the establishment of our Constitution. The Justices of the Court, our political leaders and even the general public have based the resolution of current legal, social and political problems on the original intent of the founders. This program examines the conditions of the United States in the 1780's and whether the delegates' original intentions should carry great weight in resolving the problems of today.



Meet The Candidates

School Board (3 Year)

Janice A. Baker

Why you see yourself as a qualified candidate?

I've been involved with the Auburn School District in a variety of capacities over the last four years and understand how it works, its strengths we need to preserve, and where it needs to improve. I'm currently the Vice Chair of the School Board, have overseen the AVS construction & renovation project, served as Auburn's representative to develop a new superintendent evaluation process, and recently helped negotiate the teacher's contract. Through these roles, I've been able to touch the many areas that come together to make our District run efficiently and effectively.

Professionally, I have more than 20 years of experience in the public sector at the federal and state levels and have spent the last five years in private industry. Most of my career has been focused on the development of enterprise information systems for large health and human services government agencies. Currently, I'm the CEO of Benevera Health, a start-up health care company in NH.

Throughout my career and over the last four years with the Auburn School District, I've been focused on meeting goals while being reasonable and balanced. I hope to continue serving the District and do my part to advance the education of Auburn's young minds.

What changes or improvements you would like to see within the realm of this office:?

Understandably, we've spent a lot of time over the past several years focused on expanding and renovating AVS. With the project nearing its end, I'm looking forward to turning my attention toward a couple things such as maximizing student achievement and improving our relationship with Pinkerton Academy.

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Selectman (3 Year)

Michael J. Rolfe

Why you see yourself as a qualified candidate?

I have lived and worked in the Town of Auburn for over 60 years. I currently serve as a member of the Planning Board and the Police Commission.

As a member of the Planning Board, I have worked on the Capital Improvements Plan, the Master Plan, as well as the 55 and Older Housing Ordinance.

As a member of the Police Commission, I worked with the other two commissioners to hire our new Police Chief, Ray Pelton and reorganize the command structure of the department.

As a life-long resident of Auburn combined with my experience on various board positions, I believe that I am well suited to assume the role of Selectman. I recognize that I am one individual, so my plan is to work with the other Selectmen to get the Town's work done.

What Changes or Improvements would you like to see with in this office?

I would like to see the Board of Selectmen continue to work with and encourage the very positive cooperation that is happening between all departments and officials within the Town.

We have hired a new Police Chief and the Selectmen have extended the Fire Chief's contract, so our First Responders are in great shape.

The current Board of Selectmen has just announced their goals for the coming year which includes developing a long-term plan for the maintenance of all Town buildings, looking at the potential expansion of the library and developing a community center, and improvements to the Pingree Hill Fire Station and insulation for the Safety Complex. I support these efforts.

I realize that our wonderful school project was a long time coming and had an impact on our local taxes. It is my hope to work to keep our taxes as low as possible.

I believe that I am ready to do a good job for the residents of Auburn and I would ask for your vote as Selectman.

Thank-you,
Micky Rolfe



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Selectman (3 Year)

Russell "Rusty" Sullivan

Why you see yourself as a qualified candidate?

I have dedicated years to making Auburn a Town in which we want to live. I started on the planning board in 1981 and in 2006 moved on to be a Selectman for nine years. I certainly have the experience, knowledge, and the time to do the work required as a Selectman.

My goal was and still is to represent you and keep Auburn the Town you enjoy. This can only be accomplished through cooperation and communication with members of other boards and committees.

Any changes or improvements you would like to see within the realm of this office?

I will continue my focus on environmental issues for sure. I foresee our seniors in need of senior housing so I will work with the Planning Board to find a way for our seniors to remain in Auburn. I think there is much a town can do to provide services and residences for those of us passing the half century mark.

As your Selectman I will work to support the needs of the Auburn Volunteer Fire Fighters and the Auburn Police Officers so they can best provide for our safety. I am here to answer your questions at 603-490-9086.

Library Trustee (3 Years)

Marilyn Cavanaugh

Why you see yourself as a qualified candidate?

I have lived in Auburn for over 40 years. As an English major in college, an avid reader and a strong supporter of our town's public library, I will work hard and enthusiastically to ensure that Griffin Free Public Library meets the needs of our growing community in the best way possible.

Any changes or improvements you would like to see within the realm of this office?

Over these past 40 years, I have seen both constancy and changes that reflect the evolving role of the library in our community – constancy because Griffin Free has always been a welcoming place to take out books, answer questions and, importantly, encourage kids to become readers, but I see that the library has become much more over the years. In addition to embracing technology with computer assistance, e-books and audiobooks, the library has become a community gathering place where book clubs, knitting and genealogy groups and others regularly meet, where events on topics as diverse as the White Mountains and Lithuanian cooking attract an overflowing audience, where residents routinely obtain museum passes. It's a place of learning and community and imagination, and I believe that we must make sure that this vital cornerstone of Auburn continues to reflect our needs and strengthen our town.



Planning Board (3 Year)

Jeffrey Porter

Why you see yourself as a qualified candidate?

I've been an active member of the Auburn Conservation Commission for 9 years currently serving as the chairman. I provide advisory information to both the Zoning Board of Adjustments and the Planning Board when Conservation questions arise. I am currently serving on the Planning Board.

Any changes or improvements you would like to see within the realm of this office?

Each of the land use boards (Planning, and Zoning) has enlisted the information from the Conversation Commission when needed. This has proven to have a beneficial impact to the residents of Auburn. In order to continue this success and preserve the character of Auburn, it is very important to continue the development of the 'land use' relationship while also spending time listening to residents.

Thank you for your time and your vote. I hope to see you on election day.

Police Commission (3 Year)

David C. Dion

Why you see yourself as a qualified candidate?

This year, I am seeking re-election to the Auburn Police Commission, a position I have held for the last 9 years. I am a NH native and have been an Auburn resident for over 33 years. My wife Charlotte and I raised our 4 children in this community, all of our children having attended Auburn schools, and my family was actively involved in the community through sports and town events. As my children have grown I have continued to participate in many community efforts through donations and time to school occasions, town wide organizations and Safety Complex events.

Any changes or improvements you would like to see within the realm of this office?

I have been known for many years as Dave "DQ" Dion because 2020 marks the 47th year I have been actively operating multiple dairy queen franchises, employing over 80 staff members. Prior to serving on the Police Commission, I served 6 years on the budget Committee. I am dedicated to our town and committed to seeing it prosper and flourish. My business experience, coupled with my passion and love for the Town of Auburn, and my commitment to continue maintaining a strong relationship between the Police Dept. and community makes me the ideal candidate.

As a Police Commissioner, I'd ensure the continuation of support for Neighborhood Watch Program and strive for any improvements in communications available. Lastly, I would ensure maintaining an "open-minded" point-of-view with any changes, thoughts, or suggestions that might be deemed beneficial for the town, and welcome citizens to bring their ideas to the Police Commission.

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