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spring
2022



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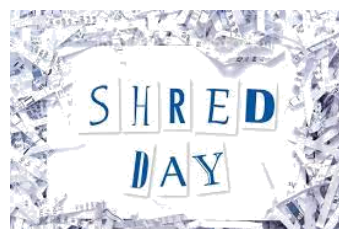
TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE CLOSED WEDNESDAY, MAY 25TH

The Town Clerk's Office will be closed
Wednesday, May 25, 2022.

The Town Clerk will be attending the NH
City and Town Clerk's Association
Regional Spring Workshop.

Please plan accordingly and thank you
for your understanding!

SAVE THE DATE!!!



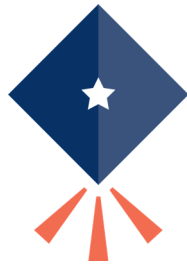
Shred Day
May 14, 2022
9am-12pm
Town hall parking lot



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Thank You and Stay Safe,
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MASSABESIC SENIORS

The Massabesic Seniors are alive and well and we made it through another winter! We're looking forward to much warmer weather so we can once again meet outdoors at Massabesic Park and Mother Nature.

We have two new members: Alice Hodgdon and Mary Page. Welcome ladies! I hope you enjoy the comradery as much as the rest of us do!

It's good to see Mary Latuch back as a regular again and Rose Frost back after an illness. I was out of state for eight weeks due to a hip replacement and rehab. Besides missing all my friends, I can't explain how good it was to be back in New Hampshire!

Our sympathy goes out to Denise Henri on the passing of her son Kim.

-Dick Vee

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IT'S DOG LICENSING TIME AGAIN!



Don't forget that your fur baby needs to be
licensed by April 30th, 2022.

See the dog licensing link at:
www.auburnnh.us



2022 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.



Town-Wide Yard Sale

Saturday, May 14

It's almost time to shop the Auburn Town-Wide Yard Sale on **Saturday, May 14 from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm**. Maps that show all the yard sale locations can be picked up starting on Friday, May 6th at the Town Hall or found online at auburnnh.us/parks-and-recreation. There will be a QR code that will link you to a google map. You can also pick up a paper map on the day of the sale at the Town Hall from 7:30 am-12:30 pm. Just follow the yellow "Town-Wide Yard Sale" signs around town. Have fun and happy shopping!



Summer Concerts in the Park

The Parks and Recreation's annual summer concert series is back!! Mark your calendars for free family entertainment. Bring the kids to enjoy the playground and sit back and relax to the music. All concerts are held at the Circle of Fun playground starting at 6:00 pm.

June 16- Whiskey Business

July 21- Brickyard Blues

August 18- Bob Pratte Band



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



Basketball Camp

July 11-July 15



There is still space available in the Summer Basketball Camp. Coaches and Howell are returning for another year to run this program. It 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.

Summer Basketball Camp runs Monday, July 11 through July 15, 8:30 am until 2:00 pm. It is open to students entering grades 5-8 for the 2022-2023 school year.

Flag Football

Wednesdays, May 4- June 1

Registration is still open for the spring Flag Football program. Flag Football will be held at the Safety Complex field at 2:45-3:45 pm for grades 5-8 and 4:00 – 5:00 pm for grades 1-4. The 5-week programs begin on May 4 and run through June 1. The fee for the program is \$65.



Spring Jumping Beans

Wednesdays, May 4 - June 8



The spring session will run from May 4 through June 8. Classes will be held on Wednesdays from 9:30 am until 10:30 am outside at the Safety Complex Field. In the event of rain, the class will be rescheduled. The fee for the 6-week session is \$42. The registration form can be found on the Parks & Rec website at AuburnNH.us/parks-and-recreation under the tab “rec forms.”

Tai Chi (Spring Session)

Thursdays, April 28-June 16

The next session of Tai Chi started April 28, but new registrations are welcome at any point. Tai Chi is a mind-body exercise from China. It has its 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.

This 8-week session will start on Thursday, April 28 at 11:00 am at the Town Hall. (We'll head outside to Bicentennial Park when the weather is nice.) This session will run through June 16. The cost for the session is \$58.



Spring Senior Trip
Charles River Sightseeing Cruise
With Lunch at the Cheesecake Factory
Wednesday, June 8

Enjoy a 70-minute, fully narrated sightseeing cruise along Boston's Charles River. Your captain and crew will both entertain and educate while pointing out the historic and cultural sights of Boston and Cambridge. Sights include Beacon Hill, Esplanade Park, the Back Bay, Boston University, M.I.T., Harvard and countless sailboats and rowers!



After our tour, we will cross the street to the Cheesecake Factory at the CambridgeSide Mall. Lunch includes entrée of your choice, non-alcoholic beverage and of course... a piece of cheesecake.

Motorcoach transportation and lunch is included in this trip. We will depart Auburn from St. Peter's Church at 9:15 am and expect to return around 2:30 pm. Pre-registration is required, and space is limited. See registration form below for details.

2022 Spring Senior Trip Registration Form

Your Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

The cost for this trip is \$20 per person and is open to Auburn residents 65 and over.

Please return this form along with the fee to Auburn Parks and Recreation, PO Box 309, Auburn, NH 03032 or you can drop it off at the Town Hall. If you are dropping off when the Town Hall is closed, there is a convenient drop box to the right of the front door. Checks can be made payable to the Town of Auburn. Please call the Parks and Recreation office at 603-483-5052 x101 or email Recreation@townofauburnNH.com with any questions.

As with all Auburn Senior Trips, this trip is on a first come, first serve basis for the first 55 Auburn seniors signing up. The trips tend to fill up VERY fast. Please drop off or send in your form ASAP so you don't miss out.



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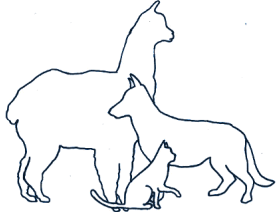
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AUBURN POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS

Hello Auburn residents,

In April we held our 4th Annual Auburn Safety Complex Awards night. In conjunction with the fire department, we hold this event each year to commend police officers, and members of the fire department for years of service, retirements, promotions, and instances where they have gone above and beyond.

Chief Pelton was honored to award Master Patrolman Karl Hanson with stripes for 15 years of law enforcement service. Other recognition went to officers for Life Saving, Meritorious awards and Commendations for actions while in the line of duty. Many of our officers gave their time to help the National Guard and the State of New Hampshire at the COVID vaccination site. To show their appreciation the National Guard also awarded certificates to the officers who helped.



The month of May is National Join the Click Seatbelt Awareness.

In conjunction with the State of New Hampshire; Auburn Officers will be checking drivers and passengers under the age of 18 are properly seat belted while in vehicles.



LOCK YOUR VEHICLES/TAKE YOUR BELONGINGS/STAY SAFE!

The nice weather is here!!!! Which means we all want to get out into the fresh air and sunshine. Please be aware of more people walking and riding bikes on the roadways.

ALWAYS remember to lock your vehicles and do not leave personal items behind when you venture onto one of our beautiful trails for some fresh air.

Don't forget to lock up your vehicles when you are home!

Please don't hesitate to call our 24-hour dispatch should you see something suspicious. 603-483-2922

AUBURN FIRE DEPARTMENT NEWS

Grilling Safety

There's nothing like outdoor grilling. It's one of the most popular ways to cook food. But, a grill placed too close to anything that can burn is a fire hazard. They can be very hot, causing burn injuries. Follow these simple tips and you will be on the way to safe grilling.

SAFETY TIPS

- » Propane and charcoal BBQ grills should only be used outdoors.
- » The grill should be placed well away from the home, deck railings and out from under eaves and overhanging branches.
- » Keep children and pets at least three feet away from the grill area.
- » Keep your grill clean by removing grease or fat buildup from the grills and in trays below the grill.
- » Never leave your grill unattended.
- » Always make sure your gas grill lid is open before lighting it.

CHARCOAL GRILLS

- » There are several ways to get the charcoal ready to use. Charcoal chimney starters allow you to start the charcoal using newspaper as a fuel.
- » If you use a starter fluid, use only charcoal starter fluid. Never add charcoal fluid or any other flammable liquids to the fire.
- » Keep charcoal fluid out of the reach of children and away from heat sources.
- » There are also electric charcoal starters, which do not use fire. Be sure to use an extension cord for outdoor use.
- » When you are finished grilling, let the coals completely cool before disposing in a metal container.

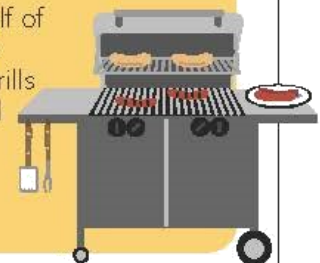
PROPANE Grills

Check the gas tank hose for leaks before using it for the first time each year. Apply a light soap and water solution to the hose. A propane leak will release bubbles. If your grill has a gas leak, by smell or the soapy bubble test, and there is no flame, turn off both the gas tank and the grill. If the leak stops, get the grill serviced by a professional before using it again. If the leak does not stop, call the fire department. **If you smell gas while cooking, immediately get away from the grill and call the fire department.** Do not move the grill.

If the flame goes out, turn the grill and gas off and wait at least **5 minutes** before re-lighting it.

FACTS

- ! July is the peak month for grill fires.
- ! Roughly half of the injuries involving grills are thermal burns.



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Cub Scout Pack 127

On Saturday April 9th Cub Scout Pack 127 competed in Daniel Webster Council's annual Chuck Wagon Derby. The Chuck Wagon Derby is a test of the Scouts knowledge and skill in areas such as Citizenship, Fire Safety, First Aid, and Disability Awareness. They are also judged on their Scout spirit by creating and demonstrating a group cheer, being respectful, and by working as a team. Despite the rain and cold, our Cubs remained enthusiastic. Their determination earned them 1st Place in the competition. Congratulations Cub Scouts!

For more information on our Cub Scout program contact Mike Kadlec at pack127auburn@outlook.com or Stacey Melendy at staceymelendy@gmail.com.







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The Massabesic Garden Club will celebrate its first anniversary with a meeting at the Sun Valley Park, 3 Appletree Road, Auburn at 6:30 PM on May 11. The Annual Meeting, postponed from March, will start the event.

Master Gardner Ron Trexler was the speaker for our April meeting, but he was presenting from Alabama, and tornados caused technical difficulties, so the Zoom talk was suspended. Ron was trying to present on *Getting the Garden Ready for Spring*. We may try to reschedule the lecture for another night this month—keep an eye on the Garden Club website and Garden Club members will receive an email if we can make it happen.

www.massabesicgc.org

The University of New Hampshire Extension division has a great website full of gardening information for beginners through seasoned growers. Check out their website, click on ***Agriculture and Gardens***, and go to ***Getting Started with Gardening*** to see the information on spring garden preparation, and soil testing, which is highly recommended by Trexler. The test results will give you a clear picture of the specific soil amendments for your garden.

<https://extension.unh.edu/agriculture-gardens/yard-garden/getting-started-gardening>

May is Membership Month, and all members renew at this time. You will find the form on our website for new and renewing members. Fill it out and submit the form, then mail your check to PO Box 91, Auburn, or bring it to the May 11th meeting. Membership is \$25, waived if under 18 years old or 70 or more years young.

The June meeting, location to be determined, will focus on composting.

Tip of the month—it's not too early to plant peas! In fact, some folks prepare their beds in the fall, leave a shallow trench, and then add the seeds for shelling peas or pea pods as soon as the soil can be moved to fill that trench. Plant your seeds, then provide some kind of structure for the vines to climb, such as 3' branches trimmed from trees (pea brush, my grandmother called it) or use strings on a trellis or wire fencing. As the weather warms, keep the roots covered by hoeing up a bit of soil around them. Enjoy your harvest in early summer.



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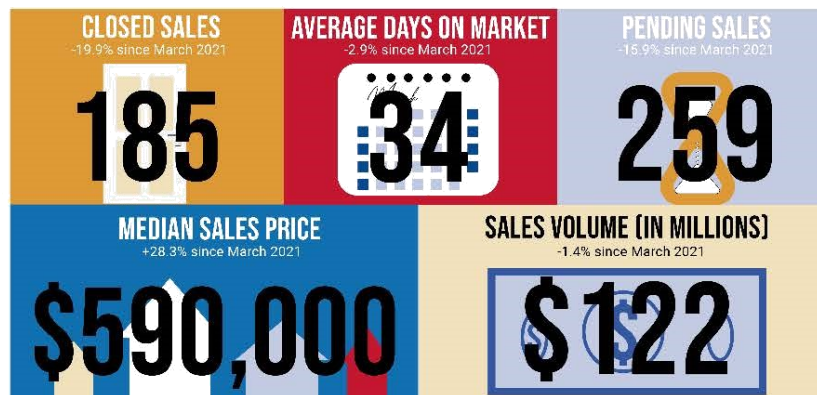


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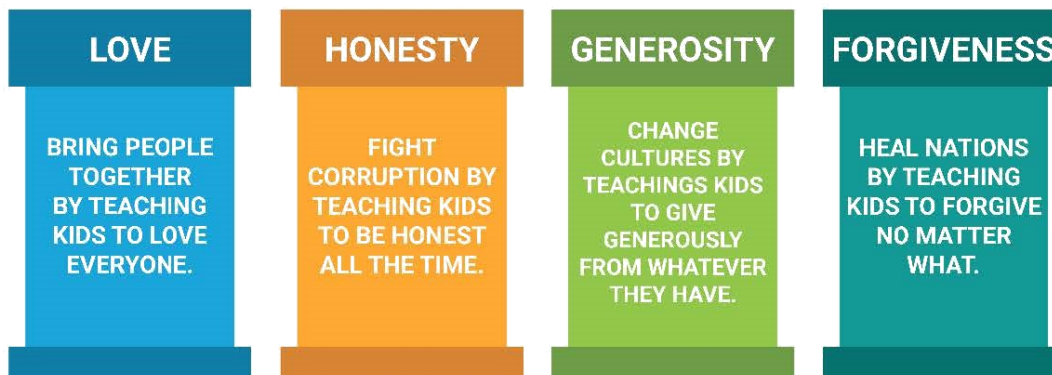
All data is taken from the NHar.org for single family residential activity.



Non-Profit Spotlight



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Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. (Matthew 5:16).

We are continuing to open up our church building more and more and bringing back many of our beloved traditions here at the Longmeadow Congregational Church UCC in Auburn. We are singing again in worship and we are looking forward to some special events in the coming months. In the meanwhile, we have been blessed to welcome several new faces in worship and continue to gather for worship in three ways, seeking to serve people, wherever you are:

- In person worship at 9:30 on Sundays, with precautions recommended and encouraged.
- On-line worship services, using Zoom on Sundays at 11:00
- And YouTube pre-recorded services (all Sunday Worship and Wednesday Children's Messages can be found at https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCOZuV4b91h_8LYHqYRATqhw)

Longmeadow Serves!



Longmeadow Community Breakfast

Our BIG NEWS for this month is that we are bringing back our beloved **Longmeadow Community Breakfasts**. We have missed seeing you all so much and are excited to once again open the doors of our Fellowship Hall, fire up the stove and start serving you once again. You will find all the details elsewhere in this month's Crier.

Our Ladies' Circle is also busy planning for a HUGE Yard Sale next month on June 25. So, mark your calendars and more information will be coming next month.



We've had a wonderful response over the winter from all of the knitters/crocheters in town who have been creating scarves for our annual Scarves in the park. If you are doing Spring Cleaning and have yarn you want to move out, we would be happy to take it off your hands! ☑ Give Pastor Ruth a call at the church to arrange and drop off/pick up.

Things are really happening here at Longmeadow and there is always a place for you. No matter who you are or where you are on your spiritual journey, you are welcome here.

At Longmeadow Congregational Church, UCC, we seek not just to go to church but to BE THE CHURCH! If you have any questions, please contact our Pastor, Rev. Ruth Gallot at 483-2907. Friend us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/Longmeadow/>

WE ARE BACK!

Longmeadow Church Breakfasts

Please come join your friends for breakfast in May at the Longmeadow Church, 4 Wilson's Crossing Rd. The Community Breakfast returns on **May 14th** from 6:30 to 10:00 am. The "all you can eat breakfast" includes French toast, eggs your way, pancakes, sausage, bacon, home fries, homemade beans and muffins, toast, English muffins, and beverages for a donation of \$8 for adults, \$4 for children 5-12 and under 5 free. The next breakfast will be on June 18th – then after the summer break they will resume in September!

Where else can you meet your old friends, catch up on town news and enjoy a great meal? See you!

It's time to register for AMAZING PTA Summer Camps!

Check out the options and register at the link below before 4/22 for early bird discounts!

AVS PTA Summer Camp Details 2022

Camp Options

Week 1 June 20-23

Camp Name	Day/Time	Minimum/Max students	Grades	Cost	Early Bird Cost
Healthy Minds	M-Th 9:00-12:00	10 Min/18 Max	K-4	\$120	\$110
Drawing Camp	M-Th 9:00-12:00	10 Min/18 Max	K-4	\$120	\$110
Kids in the Kitchen	M-Th 9:00-12:00	10 Min/18 Max	1st-8th	\$120	\$110
Field Games	M-Th 9:00-12:00	8 Min/18 Max	1st-4th	\$120	\$110
Creative Writing Camp - NEW!	M-Th 9:00-12:00	5 Min/18 Max	5th-9th	\$100	\$90
Adventures with Slime	M-Th 9:00-12:00	10 Min/12 Max	5th-8th	\$120	\$110

Week 2 June 27-June 30

Camp Name	Day/Time	Minimum/Max students	Grades	Cost	Early Bird Cost
*FULL - Wet N Wild	M-Th 9:00-12:00	10 Min/18 Max	K-4	\$120	\$110
Drawing Camp	M-Th 9:00-12:00	10 Min/18 Max	K-4	\$120	\$110
Adventures with Slime	M-Th 9:00-12:00	10 Min/12 Max	2nd-4th	\$120	\$110
Happier Healthier Me	M-Th 9:00-12:00	5 Min/15 Max	4th-6th	\$105	\$95
Field Games with a Splash! - NEW	M-Th 9:00-12:00	8 Min/18 Max	1st-4th	\$120	\$110
Book Club: High School Prep - NEW!	M-Th 9:00-12:00	5 Min/18 Max	7th-9th	\$100	\$90
Naturalist Camp - NEW!	M-Th 9:00-12:00	8 Min/15 Max	5th-8th	\$105	\$95

Week 3 August 1-4

Camp Name	Day/Time	Minimum/Max students	Grades	Cost	Early Bird Cost
Disney Step by Step Painting	M-Th 9:00-12:00	10 Min/12 Max	2nd-4th	\$120	\$110
Art is for Everyone!	M-Th 9:00-12:00	10 Min/18 Max	1st-6th	\$110	\$100
Creative Writing Camp - NEW!	M-Th 9:00-12:00	5 Min/18 Max	5th-9th	\$100	\$90
Wet N Wild - NEW 2nd week offered!	M-Th 9:00-12:00	10 Min/18 Max	K-4	\$120	\$110

Week 4 August 8-11

Camp Name	Day/Time	Minimum/Max students	Grades	Cost	Early Bird Cost
*FULL - Let's Get Creative!	M-Th 9:00-12:00	10 Min/18 Max	K-4	\$120	\$110
Disney Step by Step Painting	M-Th 9:00-12:00	10 Min/12 Max	5th-8th	\$120	\$110
Book Club: Middle School Prep - NEW!	M-Th 9:00-12:00	5 Min/18 Max	5th-9th	\$100	\$90
Soccer Skills - NEW!	M-Th 9:00-12:00	6 Min/18 Max	5th-8th	\$100	\$90

See Camp Descriptions on 2nd page for more details

Register online by June 1st at this link: <https://tinyurl.com/AVSPTAsummercamp>

To save \$10 with Early Bird pricing, registration AND payment must arrive to AVS by April 22nd

Thank you for supporting the AVS PTA by participating in summer camps!

Any questions, contact Jennifer Anderson at 2011.andersonfamily@gmail.com or 603-889-8920

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Avoid outdoor activity when mosquitoes are most active

Stay away from tick-infested areas such as overgrown grass and brush in your yard and the woods

Perform tick checks regularly and remove any ticks

**Protect yourself and your family—
Avoid mosquito and tick bites.**



For more information contact the
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603-271-4496 or www.dhhs.nh.gov



NEWS FROM THE FRIENDS OF THE GRIFFIN FREE LIBRARY

Please be seated at the Library

Friends of The Griffin Library are always up for a challenge. So our new one involves gathering 500lbs of plastic to convert into a Trex Bench for patrons to use at their leisure. What do you say, can you help us to gather 500lbs of plastic between May and October to do this? It's easy to contribute materials for this challenge. We'll have a bin located at the library and possibly at another location, to be announced.

We are collecting:

- produce and bread bags (no bread tags), grocery bags, **all clean please, and free of crumbs!**
- Newspaper sleeves, dry cleaning bags, plastic shopping bags, bubble wrap.

It's a win, win for all. A bench for the library, and the knowledge that recycling is a good way to help our environment. You can drop off your contributions in the collection bin at the library. Watch our website, or Facebook page for new locations and updates.

BTW, The Friends have their meeting at the Library the first Monday of the month at 7pm. All are welcomed to attend.



Announcing The Friends of The Library 2022 Plant Sale

Attention gardeners! It's that time again to grab your gardening tools and get your hands dirty!

We'll be holding our plant sale outside at the Griffin Library. We'll have a beautiful and healthy assortment of herbs, perennials, annuals and veggies for sale this year that have been grown in local greenhouses.

Do you have extra plants that you'd like to donate? We already have a few perennials that have been promised for the sale, can you add some plants to them? **Please be sure to identify the plant and growing conditions.**

The library will have gardening containers on the porch if any are needed.

To add to your flower garden's beauty we will also have some gorgeous glass art flowers for sale. Right in time for Mother's Day.

All profits of our plant sale will go to Friends sponsored passes and programs. We accept credit cards.

Plant sale will be held Saturday, May 7 from 10-2pm outside The Griffin Library .

We'll have a sign behind the library where donations can be left during the week of May 2nd.

We're looking forward to seeing you. Questions? fay.frank@comcast.net

Also save the date of July 30 & 31 for a return of the Book Sale! Details will be announced.

WE ARE SORRY BUT BECAUSE OF LACK OF SPACE WE CANNOT ACCEPT BOOK DONATIONS UNTIL AFTER THE BOOK SALE.



Movie Night is Here!

Join us on **Wednesday, May 18th at 6 pm** as Griffin Free Public Library proudly holds our first Family Movie Night of the year!

Our feature film will be the classic 1985 adventure comedy, *Goonies*! Rated PG and produced by a young Steven Spielberg, *Goonies* tells the story of a group of kids who live in the "Goon Docks" neighborhood of Astoria, Oregon and their attempt to save their homes from foreclosure. Along the way, they discover an old treasure map that takes them on an adventure to unearth the long-lost fortune of One-Eyed Willy, a legendary 17th-century pirate!

Registration is required and will be limited to the first 20 registrants through our Ticket Keeper space on our website. Candia patrons are also welcome.

Other Children's Programming

STORY TIMES: Join Miss Mary in the library on **Tuesdays at 11 AM or Fridays at 1 PM** for **Story Times**. Free coloring pages for the kids are always available. Space is limited so registration though www.griffinfree.org in advance is recommended.

SATURDAY STEM: Join us for an in person STEM on Saturday, May 14th at 1 PM to learn about the human heart. We'll do some activities to discover how the heart functions, and things we can do to make

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our heart healthier. This program is recommended for ages 6-12. Registration is required through www.griffinfree.org.

Adult/Teen Programming

The **Evening Book Club** will meet on **Wednesday, May 6 at 6:30 PM** to discuss "Big Lies in a Small Town" by Diane Chamberlain.

The **Day Book Club** will meet on **Wednesday, May 11 at 1:30 PM** to discuss "The Family" by Naomi Krupitsky.

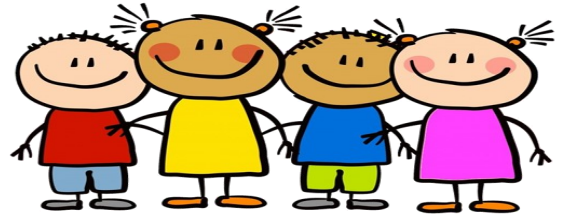
The **Knitting Club** will meet every Friday (May 6, 13, 20 and 27) at 10:30 AM. No sign up needed, just stop in!

The **Cookbook Club** isn't meeting in May but we hope to return in June. Keep your eye on the library website for dates and times!

Plant Sale: The Friends of the Library Plant Sale will take place on our patio on Saturday, May 7, from 10 am to 2 pm.

Other exciting ticket news! Starting on May 14, Griffin Free Public Library is excited to add Canterbury Shaker Village to our collection of ticket offerings to patrons! The one-day pass will offer free admission to a guided tour for up to 2 adults and 2 children any day the museum is open. Stay tuned for more information!

AVS SCHOOLYARD NEWS



Garden Club News and Earth Day Celebration

Members of the Massabesic Garden Club came to conduct a winter seed sowing demonstration with the 8th graders. Some students were not too excited about “getting their hands dirty,” but felt a sense of pride to have helped establish seedlings for the K-5th grade garden beds. The seedlings should be ready to plant in mid May. A HUGE thank you to everyone who donated empty milk jugs!



The 8th graders celebrated Earth Day a bit early by learning about microplastics and engaging in an AVS litter clean up. A whopping 2,406 pieces of litter were collected! Because of the hard work of Mrs. Patience Joy, our Garden Club was a recipient of a grant to produce rain barrels through the River Network. River Network supports the construction of more than 1,400 rain barrels every year at 50+ workshops. Generous support from the Coca-Cola Company helps River Network connect approved workshop hosts with local Coca-Cola bottlers or distributors to arrange donation of recycled 35 or 55-gallon food-grade



ingredient drums. The drums are capable of capturing and storing rainwater which can be used for a variety of household purposes including watering gardens and lawns. Rain barrels help people save money on water bills, reduce demand for treated tap water, control erosion around foundations, save water for use during droughts, and reduce the amount of polluted stormwater that flows into our rivers and lakes. Rain barrels also stimulate people to begin thinking about their water system and how they can reduce their water footprint. A local Coca-Cola bottler delivered the barrels to the school. The Garden Clubbers decorated them and were provided the hardware needed to construct a fully functioning rain barrel except a base. Each kit includes a set of hole saws for drilling into the barrel and downspout, a spigot, a downspout diverter, flexible connection tube, rubber seals, and a “non-potable water” sticker. Thank you Mrs. Joy!



Earth Day

We are planning an Earth Day celebration for May 9th with a rain date of May 11th. Thank you to Mrs. Snowdale for bringing her Mini Horses to our pet area, Mr. Vello for bringing his ducks, Mrs. Peabody for showcasing her Zumba and Mrs. Graves and Mrs. Bernier for creating some kid-friendly smoothies! If you have any suggestions or would like to volunteer to head up a “center” please contact Lori Collins at lcollins@sau15.net. We are looking for Auburn Community members to showcase any environmentally friendly hobbies or crafts! Are you a beekeeper or a composter? We would love your help!



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News from the Auburn Historical Association

Women of Auburn

Written by Dan Carpenter



Paul and Frances (Illsley) Wood



Emma Eaton Bartholomew
and daughter Elsie



Emma Eaton Bartholomew

Frances (Illsley) Wood graduated from Pinkerton Academy in 1929 and then completed a 2 year course at Plymouth Normal to become a teacher. The Wood brothers (Paul, Don, and Mike) from Beverly, Mass purchased land near the top of Bunker Hill right next to the Bunker Hill Schoolhouse where Frances was teaching. Iggy Cochran and Cliff Stacy were two of her students. Students noticed that Paul was coming around and if he showed up early it might mean an early dismissal. Paul and Frances married in 1932.

Frances was Tax Collector for the Town of Auburn from 1947-1957. She worked out of her house and a lot of business was done after supper and many bills were paid in cash. Gus Davis, Auburn Chief Of Police, would take Frances to the bank and make a night deposit. Once, after a particularly busy day, the bank called to ask where was her deposit? Her son, Bill, who was probably under 10 years old, still remembers the 'HORROR', the panic that ensued. Turns out the large amount of cash caused the bag to get stuck in the chute.

The Longmeadow Church was important to Frances. Church suppers were major fund raisers and many were held in the 1940's and 50's. Paul and Frances contributed to the suppers and always attended. A Saturday night church supper was often the social event of the week in many small towns. From her monthly \$19. pension, Frances still pledged a portion to the Longmeadow.

Emma (Eaton) Bartholomew (1876-1965, Aunt to Harland Eaton) married George O Bartholomew (1874-1911) and had 3 children: Ella, 1896-1973; Elsie, 1901-1954; George, 1905-1985. In 1898, Emma by herself purchased a home from Simon Prescott who also wrote the mortgage. The Manchester Water Works had purchased the land and the house was moved from approx. 25 Manchester Rd to its present position at 66 Manchester Rd. The house was jacked up, rollers put underneath it, and horses pulled it to its new location and a new foundation.

Elsie, their second child was born in 1901 with severe mental and physical handicaps. She spent most of her time watching out the window for traffic going by. Emma would pick her up and move her around in a wheelbarrow. In 1911, Emma became a 35 year old widow with 3 children and no visible means of support. For whatever reason, Prescott called in the mortgage. Emma Bartholomew hitched up the horse and went to see her Uncle, Frank Eaton in Weare. Dr Eaton agreed to take over the Bartholomew mortgage.

Now that the paperwork was settled, Emma had to figure how to make the monthly payments. Veneta Preston Cleary said that Emma was a physically strong hard worker determined to succeed. She cut her own firewood. She carried 5 gallon pails of slop to the pigs. In the 1920 Census, Emma identified herself as a poultry farmer. She sold eggs and chicken. In the summer, she sold raspberries and rented rowboats to tourists.

When her older daughter, Ella, married Jim Hall and moved across the road, Ella's son Harry stayed with his grandmother. Harry grew up and married. When the US Army sent Harry to Europe in 1943, he left his pregnant wife with Emma. A few months later, the wife disappeared leaving an infant girl with her 67 year old great grandmother. And Emma was still taking care of Elsie.

Marcia Trombly is the great-granddaughter of Emma Eaton. She has lived her entire life in the farmhouse on Manchester Rd. Soon, seven generations of the Bartholomew-Trombly family will have called this place home. Marcia remembers Emma as a loving, caring, giving individual who wanted the best for her family and was willing to sacrifice to make that happen.

News from the Auburn Historical Association

Women of Auburn, (cont'd)

Important Milestones for Auburn Women

1st School Board Member - Frances Griffin moved into town, taught at Village Schoolhouse and married Willard Griffin. 1882, elected to School Board by all male electorate. 1888, NH women allowed to vote in local elections.

1st Minister - Pastor Ruth Gallot of Longmeadow Church.

1st Highway Employee - Chris McLaughlin drove a truck in the 1970's.

1st Taxi Driver - Ida Newcomb. Her father-in-law was Station Master at the Auburn Depot. Ida would meet the train and take summer tourists to various hotels.

Longevity Award - Eva Komaridis drove school bus for over 30 years.

Shirley Nye Norris - Competitive candlepin bowling participant into her 90's.

Annie May Coult - Started as a teacher at Mosquito Brook School. Eventually went to Washington D.C. where she translated US Government Agricultural Bulletins into Spanish and Portuguese.

Addie Davis - Addie graduated from Pinkerton Academy, lived in her father's house on the top of Eaton Hill, and had a professional career at NH Insurance.



Thursday, May 19th, 2022, 6:30 pm *Jennie Powers: The Woman Who Dares* *Presented by Jennifer Carrol*

Jennie Powers took a stand against social vices in New Hampshire and Vermont in the early twentieth century. She was a humane society agent in Keene from 1903-1936 and one of the first humane society agents to become a deputy sheriff in New Hampshire. Jennie was known across the country as "The Woman Who Dares" cited by the Boston Post newspaper in 1906 as having arrested more men than any other woman in America. As a photographic activist, she used her camera to document animal cruelty, family violence, and wide-spread poverty in New Hampshire's Monadnock region and beyond. This one-hour illustrated presentation from Jenna Carroll introduces us to Jennie's life story, the work of humane societies at the turn of the twentieth century, and the politics of the Progressive Era (1890s-1920s) from a local perspective.

This program will be held at the Auburn Historical Association's meeting room (downstairs, back of building). Admission is free.

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