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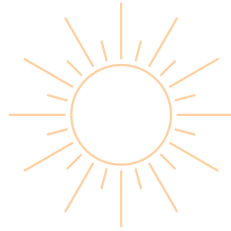
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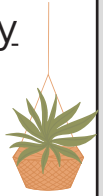
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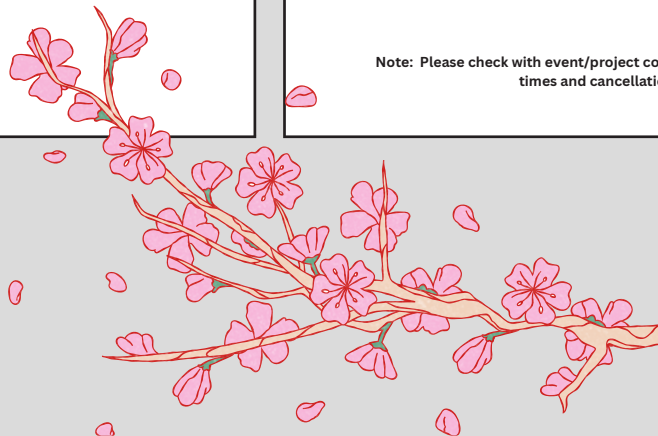
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**This calendar highlights special events and meetings  
happening this month**

**Please read all article for MANY more important events,  
activities and meetings!**

Note: Please check with event/project coordinators first for dates,  
times and cancellations.

## Help Wanted

### **Town of Auburn Finance & Communication Assistant**

The Town of Auburn is accepting applications for a part-time Finance and Communications Assistant. Primary responsibilities are processing accounts payable and payroll, and producing the town's communications with residents via the web and printed material. Other tasks include responding to resident calls and office visits.

This is a part-time position of approximately 16 hours per week, with some fixed and some flexible weekday hours. The successful candidate will have experience with data entry and ability in a variety of software applications. Payroll and/or Adobe publishing experience is preferred.

Applications and a full job description are available at [www.auburnnh.us](http://www.auburnnh.us) or at the Town Hall, 47 Chester Rd. Submit application, cover letter, resume to Town Administrator [townadmin@townofauburnnh.com](mailto:townadmin@townofauburnnh.com).

The Town Clerk will be  
closed on  
Wednesday, May 17th



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# Auburn Town Hall News

The Board of Selectmen is seeking volunteers to help guide the town through an important transition in managing its roads and bridges.

Auburn is unlike many New Hampshire communities, in that it has no employees maintaining roads, and owns no fleet of trucks and plows. Road work is performed by a variety of independent firms and contractors, all managed by an elected Road Agent. In 2022, the Town voted to change that position to be appointed by the Board of Selectmen.

The Board is preparing for the retirement of our longtime Road Agent and expects to appoint a replacement in 2024. This change is compounded by other changes and retirements coming among our current contractors, and a challenging marketplace for these services.

How will the Town navigate these changes and maintain the quality of roads that residents have come to expect? What will the “Road Agent” position become? What will the job’s responsibilities be and what resources will be necessary? What is available and who can the town attract? The Board is assembling a small committee to recommend answers to these questions and a path forward. We are asking those with related experience and expertise to consider serving Auburn for the next year or so to help. The committee is expected to meet about one evening a month, starting in May. The committee may also decide to hold daytime activities or visits to other communities. Residents with working knowledge of the related trades and marketplace, or with municipal infrastructure services, would be particularly helpful.

If interested, please contact any member of the Board or Town Administrator Chris Sterndale to discuss.

*Keith Leclair*



*Michael Rolfe*

*Tom Carroll*

*Auburn Board of Selectmen*



# AUBURN POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS

**Do you have a United States, NH or POW/MIA flag that needs to be retired?  
Did you know you could drop it off at the police department for proper disposal?**

The Auburn Police Department will be hosting a US Flag retirement ceremony, on **Flag Day Wednesday June 14**. We will be retiring any United States flag, State flag or POW/MIA flag that is no longer suitable for display.

The ceremony has a tentative start time of 11:00 am. Feel free to stay for the ceremony and if you are not able to attend drop off your flag and we will ensure that it is retired in a dignified way.



## **The warm weather is here!!!!**

We had a mild winter, but with these really great days ahead we want to be sure we all work together to keep our community safe.

Just a reminder with the sun comes lots of kids playing, waiting for the bus, or waking to and from school, people walking and motorcycles out. Please use caution and remember those who may be sharing the sides of the road with you.

## **STROLL WITH PATROL**

Speaking of the warm weather.... Auburn Parks and Rec is starting a walking club this month and once a month Auburn Officers will be joining the group on their morning stroll. Our first stroll will with the Monday Morning Walking Club will be Monday May 22<sup>nd</sup> at 8:30AM meeting at the Severance School Community Building on Manchester Road. We hope to see you there!!!!

Last month's edition of the Crier we mentioned that our K9 Athos has retired, and we are currently raising funds to purchase, train and outfit Officer Gardner and his K9 partner with everything they will need. Thanks to many generous residents we've already raised \$1,800.00!!

Over the next few months keep an eye out as we will be announcing many fun events and contests to help raise the amount needed for our new K9.

**Until then; If you would like to donate directly to our new K9 program, checks can be made out to:**

[Auburn Police Benevolent Association](#)

## **PLEASE BE SURE TO JOIN OR UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION WITH AUBURN NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH GROUP**

We have had a lot of changes the last few years, and are currently rebuilding our Neighborhood Watch Program.

**EVEN IF YOU HAVE SIGNED UP ALREADY OR IN THE PAST** or if you would like to become a member of Auburn Neighborhood Watch, please fill out the form below and we will then put you in touch with the leader based on where you live.

You can call the station directly at 603-483-2134, email your information to [police@townofauburnnh.com](mailto:police@townofauburnnh.com) or mail in the form below.

## **PLEASE SEND ME MORE INFORMATION ON AUBURN NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH PROGRAM**

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
TELEPHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_  
EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

Send to: [police@townofauburnnh.com](mailto:police@townofauburnnh.com) or mail: PO BOX 339 AUBURN, NH 03032



## **Shop the Town-Wide Yard Sale**

It's almost time to shop the Auburn Town-Wide Yard Sale on **Saturday, May 13 from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm**. Maps that show all the yard sale locations can be picked up starting on Friday, May 5 at the Town Hall or found online at [auburnnh.us/parks-and-recreation](http://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-12:00 pm. Just follow the yellow "Town-Wide Yard Sale" signs around town. Have fun and happy shopping!

## **"Rock this Town" Summer Concert Series Celebrates 15 Years!**

The Parks & Recreation is ready to "Rock this Town". The annual summer concert series is back for its 15<sup>th</sup> year. 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 15-      Brickyard Blues  
July 20-      Off Duty Angels  
August 17-    Emily's Garage Band



## **Monday Morning Walking Club**

Enjoy the physical and social benefits of walking with friends. The NEW Monday Morning Walking Club starts at 8:30 am at the Severance School Community Center beginning on May 15. The walks will take us through the trails of Massabesic to the front park. The walking program is for all ages and walking speeds. We do walk in most types of weather unless it is heavy rain. Please dress appropriately.

Once a month, members of the Auburn Police Department will join the walk. Their first "guest appearance" will be on Monday, May 22. There is no fee and registration required to participate in the Walking Club. Please call the Recreation Department at 603-483-5052 x7 with any questions.

## **Parent /Child Cookie Decorating**

For the first time, our popular Cookie Decorating a parent/child class. Children aged 14+ are invited to join the class along with their parent as they decorate summer themed cookies. In this class, each participant will learn the basics of royal icing including how to handle a piping bag, pressure, and piping techniques. Using these skills, participants will then decorate cookies with demonstrations throughout and get to take home their delicious masterpieces!

This class will be held on Saturday, June 10, 10:00 am- 12:00 pm at Severance School Community Center. The fee for each person participating is \$52 for Auburn Residents and \$62 for non-residents. (Please register parent and child separately.)



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### **Blast! Babysitter Training Class**

This BLAST! (Babysitter Lessons & Safety Training) class, from the American Academy of Pediatrics, will teach potential babysitters how to handle the basics of infant and childcare. Participants will gain knowledge in many basic childcare skills, as well as the fundamentals of emergency care. The training will include pediatric first aid, household safety and fundamentals of childcare.

This class is open to students in grades 5-8. Participants receive a certificate of completion, easy to follow first aid instructions and a sitter checklist to copy for each job. Participants should bring a drink and lunch to class. Blast! Babysitter Training will be held on Saturday, June 17 at 10:00 am through 1:30 pm at the Severance School. The fee for the program is \$65 for Auburn Residents and \$78 for non-residents.

### **Teddy Bear Workshop**

We are so excited to offer our first Teddy Bear workshop where your child will choose their bear, stuff their furry friend and place a wish star inside. After your teddy bear is complete, you'll fill out their birth certificate and all will sit down for a Teddy Bear Picnic!



Children in grades K-4 are invited to join the Teddy Bear Workshop on Monday, June 26 at 6:00 pm at Severance School. \$42 residents, \$50 non-residents. The fee includes your bear and supplies and a picnic snack.

### **Latin Dance Sampler Class**

Our intro to Salsa class last month was so much fun. We are excited to offer more opportunities to dance. We have a Latin Sampler lined up for you to come out and try 3 different styles of Latin dancing including Salsa, Bachata and Cha Cha.

- Week one. Come try a **Salsa** class to build on what you learned if you attended last month or join us as a first timer.
- Week two. Think Island rhythms and come try some Dominican Style **Bachata**.
- Week three. Get your flirt on and learn some cheeky Cuban **Cha Cha Cha**!

All are welcome! No experience and no partner required. Wear loose comfortable clothing and clean, smooth-soled shoes that do not grip the floor. This 3 week Latin Dance Sampler Class will be held on Friday, May 5-19 at 7:00 pm. The cost for the 3 week session is only \$20 per person for Auburn residents and \$24 for non-residents. The program will be held at Severance School and you can register at [auburnparksandrec.com](http://auburnparksandrec.com).

### **Pressure Cooking Class for Adults**

Are you UNDER PRESSURE to get dinner done each night? Have a busy schedule yourself or maybe your kids have you heading in all different directions? Do you own a pressure cooker or Instant Pot and not sure how to use it? Come learn how to take the pressure off YOU and put the food under pressure instead to save time and create delicious meals!

Come to this cooking class to hear Auburn resident Jennifer Anderson share the ins and outs of pressure cooking. You will get to see multiple recipes made, taste samples, take home recipe ideas and a few gifts. Grab a friend and reserve your spot for a fun night learning how to make mealtime easier! The class will be held on Monday, May 15, 6:30-8:00 pm at the Severance School. The fee for the class is \$42.

## Parks & Rec Spring Program Summary

### Preschool Programs

- Tiny Tot Soccer for 3-year-olds
- Tot Soccer for 4-year-olds
- You and Me Art Class- ages 2-4
- Jumping Beans- ages 2-4

### Elementary/Middle School Student Programs

- Field Hockey for Beginners- grades K-4
- Teddy Bear Workshop- grades K-4
- Crafty Kids- grades 2-4
- Candle Making - grades 5-8
- Blast! Babysitter Training Class- grades 5-8
- Summer Basketball Camp- grades 5-8

### Adult Programs

- Tai Chi
- Meditation
- Strength Training for Active Seniors
- Zumba
- Cookie Decorating - Cinco de Mayo theme
- Pressure Cooker Class
- Latin Dance Sampler Class
- Monday Morning Walking Club

For more information and details on each program and to register, please visit  
**[auburnparksandrec.com](http://auburnparksandrec.com)**



# FREE SUMMER MOVIE NIGHTS!

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JUNE 30th, JULY 28th, AUGUST 25th  
Parking lot opens at 7:30pm  
Movie starts at 8:00pm

Save the dates! Movie Titles will be shared in the Town Crier and at end of each film. We can't wait to see you there! Whether you want to sit in your car, or bring a lawn chair, the choice is yours. If you have any questions, reach out to Amy Lachance or Matt Ellis.

Hosted at: 45 Myles Dr. Auburn, NH 03032

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Auburn Parks & Recreation Senior Trip  
Trolley Tour of Kennebunkport with lunch at Duffy's  
Wednesday, June 7

Visit Kennebunkport and hop aboard a 60 minute tour on a quaint open air trolleys. Some of the places will see include President Bush's Estate, Franciscan Monastery, the Beaches, Spouting Rock an Blowing Cave & much more.

After our tour, we'll stop for lunch at Duffy's Tavern & Grill. Your meal choices are atlantic baked haddock, chicken parmesan or meatloaf with demi glaze. Please indicate uour meal choice on form below.

Motorcoach transportation, trolley admission and lunch is included in this trip. We will depart Auburn from St. Peter's Church at 9:30 am and expect to return around 3:00 pm on Wednesday, June 7. Pre-registration is required, and space is limited. See registration form below for details.



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## Spring 2023 Senior Trip Registration Form

Your Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Please circle your meal choice(s):

Baked Haddock

Chicken Parmesan

Meatloaf

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 x7 or email [Recreation@townofauburnNH.com](mailto: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 seniors signing up. The trips tend to fill up very fast. Please send in your form ASAP so you don't miss out.



## Library Expansion News:

**Organizational Meetings Continue:** Thank you to everyone who came out to the expansion Community Listening Session in April. We appreciate any and all input and plan on having another session in June. Stay tuned for details.

**Architectural Plans:** Meantime, plans continue to progress toward the development of a set of architectural plans. The library, through architects SMP, has begun the process of find a construction manager for the expansion.

We hope to have more final plans finished by fall, but in the meantime, you can come into the library to see some rough sketches, and of course we're thrilled to chat about the expansion thus far. Or just email me at [director@griffinfree.org](mailto:director@griffinfree.org).

We're also always on the lookout for community members and patrons interested in sitting on Building or Finance committees. We hope you'll consider becoming involved in this once in a lifetime project! The next Building Committee meeting is **Wed. May 17 at 6pm**.

**Information available:** Learn more about your library's expansion by visiting our Expansion Hub website anytime for constant updates and info. We're on our way! <https://griffinfree.org/gfpl-expansion-hub/>

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Here's a look at all the wonderful events and programming coming up in April:

## Kids and Teen Programming

### Wed., May 10: Kids Movie Night!

Join us for a special showing of "**A Troll in Central Park**" a classic of 90s animation. The G film will begin at 6pm inside the library. This event is free, but registration is required. Snacks will be served!

### Wed., May 17: After School Craft!

Stop by any time after 4pm to make a paper flowers craft! Free!

### Fri. May 19: Teen Movie Night!

Join us for our monthly teen movie night with a showing of "**Percy Jackson and the Lightning Thief**" based on the popular book series by Rick Riordan. The PG rated movie will begin at 5:30pm inside the library. Registration is required and seating is limited to 20. Snacks will be served!

**REGULAR STORY TIMES:** Join Miss Mary for regular Story Times on **Tuesdays at 11 AM or Fridays at 1 PM**. Free coloring pages for the kids are always available. No registration needed!

### BEANSTACK FOR MAY

*Growing Readers* is our theme through the month! Sign on to your Beanstack Account, read and track your books and win prizes. Ask us how!

## Adult Programming

The **Evening Book Club** will meet on **Wed., May 3 at 6:30pm** to talk about "Bewilderment" by Richard Powers.

### **Sat. May 20: Annual Plant Sale**

This year the Friends of the Library and the Massabesic Garden Club are joining forces to transform the library's patio into a lovely garden, with plenty of perennials, herbs, annuals and veggies for gardeners to take home. Join them from 7am to 2pm for this wonderful event!

### **Wed., May 24: Humanities to Go Program – Rosie's Mom: Forgotten Women of the First World War.**

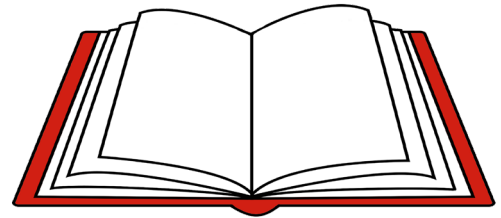
One hundred years ago, a full generation before Rosie the Riveter, American women rolled up their sleeves and entered war industries where they had never been welcome before. They ran powerful machinery, learned new skills, and faced the sullen hostility of the men in the shops. In this illustrated lecture from 6:30-8pm, historian Carrie Brown reveals their courage and their hard work, asks what impact "the Great War" had on their lives, and explores how these women helped shape the work that their more famous daughters would do in the next World War.

### **Thurs., May 25: Adult Craft Night**

Join us at the library from 6-8pm for our monthly series of adult crafting events! Theme to be announced. The event is free but registration will be required as seating will be limited to 10.

The **Knitting Club** will meet every Friday at 10:30am in March!

**PLASTIC BAG DRIVE BEGINS!** Help the library earn another bench for Pavilion Park! Starting on May 1, the Friends of the Library will once again begin to collect 500 pounds of plastic. Help us reach that goal before October. We'll have a bag collection container on our front porch!



## Social Media Star Wanted

The Friends of the Library are looking for a volunteer social media manager. This person will oversee the Friends' social media accounts including Facebook and Instagram.

If you are interested, please email [karenjmurray1@gmail.com](mailto:karenjmurray1@gmail.com).





# Friends of the Library & Massabesic Garden Club Plant Sale

On May 20th,. the outside of The Griffin Library will be again transformed to a lovely spring garden, just waiting for gardeners to take plants home. This year the Plant Sale is being presented by a partnership of the Griffin Friends of the Library and The Massabesic Garden Club.

We'll have a healthy assortment of perennials, herbs, annuals, and veggies with plenty of advice if needed, on growing and keeping your purchases healthy.

This year an assortment of pre made containers with Memorial Day in mind will be for sale. There will also be an area with DIY containers for adults to use their creative skills, and a potting table for children to plant a flower of their own!

As always we are looking for three very important elements of our fundraiser;

We need volunteers to help with marking plants on Friday @3, and Saturday morning @7 to help set up tables and tents, Help for cleanup would be appreciated at 2 pm.

Do you have extra plants that you could donate? If you do please be sure to identify the name of the plant and growing conditions. Donations can be left behind the library anytime 5/17 to 5/19. Thank you !

And of course, we need shoppers! To add to your garden's beauty we will also have some gorgeous glass art flowers for sale. We accept credit cards.

SAVE THE DATE: We hope to see you on Saturday, May 20 , 7am -2pm for a blooming good time!!!

FYI. Our annual Book Sale will be held at the Auburn School Gym on Saturday and Sunday July 29th and 30th.

The library is accepting books, DVD's, CD's, Puzzles, games and Vinyl,

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# LONGMEADOW CHURCH BREAKFAST

Please come join your friends for breakfast in May at the Longmeadow Church, 4 Wilson's Crossing Rd. The Community Breakfast is May 13th 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, \$5 for children 6-12 and under 6 free. The last breakfast until September will be on June 10th!

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



## Auburn Dollars for Scholars

Thank you to every student who applied for scholarships through Auburn Dollars for Scholars. Awardees will be notified late Spring.

We are looking for more volunteers to support Auburn Dollars for Scholars. We are a local non-profit with the purpose of helping Auburn students achieve their higher education goals. If you are interested in serving on the board or volunteering at events, please contact Tarah Bergeron at [tarah8806@gmail.com](mailto:tarah8806@gmail.com).

For information on Auburn Dollars for Scholars and other scholarships, visit [auburn.dollarsforscholars.org](http://auburn.dollarsforscholars.org)

Don't forget to sign up for our mailing list to stay up to date on available scholarships, application deadlines, and events!

Thank you,  
Auburn Dollars for Scholars Board



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**& Flea Market**  
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**8:30 – 2:00**  
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# Massabesic Garden Club



What are the benefits of Gardening? Gardening is a hobby or income source that is accessible to everyone, no matter age, physical capability, etc. There are adaptations for everyone to include raised beds on stilts. According to the University of Minnesota, a certain bacteria in the soil can help improve mood. Gardening is also a great way to get exercise and incorporate movement into your day. The National Institute of Health is encouraging all Health Professionals to 'encourage their patients to make use of green space, and to work in gardens' to benefit both physical and mental health. Massabesic Garden Club encourages all current and potential Gardeners, also those who may just want to meet folks in town while learning about nature related topics, to come join us! If you have a particular talent, skills, knowledge related to gardening, please contact us if you wish to be a speaker at one of our meetings!

Our next member meeting is on May 10th, and we will have Ron Trexler from UNH cooperative extension speaking to us about Composting. Ron has given several talks for us before and the evening should be very interesting and informative! Unlike with our April speaker, we will not be having samples of the product to eat. We had Tina from Busy Beezzzz farm in Hooksett at our April meeting. We learned all about bee keeping and the many benefits of honey. We tried some delicious whipped honey samples! Her honey for sale stock that she brought was almost depleted by the time she left as members swooped it up. She even had homemade honey candies. Great local business for mothers day gifts! Also in April, garden club members shared a booth at The Earth Day celebration at the Audubon Center to promote our club, and our newly adopted Audubon Barn Garden.

We have some upcoming projects and plans.

- On May 7 at 10 am and on May 22 at 5pm, club volunteers will meet at the barn garden at the Audubon to begin surveying the site and removing invasives if needed.
- We have plans in motion to partner with the Friends of the Library at a plant sale on May 20th. Members will be helping to prep plants prior and helping with sales that day.
- We are also exploring adopting the area in front of the library for some 'sprucing up'.

For more information on membership in the Massabesic Garden Club, please see our website [www.massabesic-gc.org](http://www.massabesic-gc.org). We can also be found on facebook.

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## Longmeadow Serves

Do not remember the former things,  
or consider the things of old.  
I am about to do a new thing;  
now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?  
I will make a way in the wilderness  
and rivers in the desert. Isaiah 43:18-19



Spring has definitely arrived, a time of new growth, new life and new beginnings as well as rejoice in many beloved traditions. We give thanks for all those who joined us in April's Holy Week and Easter celebrations. We had more people at our Sunrise service than we have had in years, including many people who joined us for the first time at this special service to welcome the joy filled day. Our flower-filled Family Easter Service brought many people to worship as well and gave us the opportunity to work together once again to create a flower adorned cross for our front porch as well as having many plants to deliver. If you joined us for the first time this Easter, we hope you felt welcomed and will join us again soon.

We feel so blessed that attendance at our Community Breakfasts has been increasing by leaps and bounds. We were not surprised to get off to a slower start after the pandemic but in the past few months we have been delighted to serve so many, both our "regulars" and people who have only recently discovered this fun community gathering where you can chat with neighbors over a delicious meal. These all-you-can-eat meals are held on the second Saturday of each month for the amazingly low price of \$8 for adults, \$5 for children, and free for the littlest ones. In addition, our Christian Education Committee have also been providing activity kits for children to grab at the breakfast either to use then or to take home.

In May we look forward to the annual coming together with different churches throughout the state as we bring our donations of School Supply Kits for Church World Service to their New Hampshire drop off depot. Thanks to donations from within the church as well as from you, our Auburn neighbors, we assembled not only backpacks filled with supplies for local children in need but also kits for children across the country in areas where resources are limited. This year we are also pleased to add Menstrual Health Kits assembled by our Ladies' Circle to provide these essential supplies for women in need. It is a privilege to work alongside CWS and other communities of faith to walk alongside our most vulnerable neighbors in some of the most overlooked and underserved communities in over 65 countries around the world.

Please mark your calendars for our Annual Ladies' Circle Yard Sale on June 3, 2023. We are excited to once again be able to hold this annual fund-raising event. If you are doing any Spring cleaning and would like to donate, please call the church to arrange a drop off time.

We of the Longmeadow Congregational Church, UCC wish all our Auburn friends the ability to stay warm this winter and seek to serve where we can, following with gratitude and trust in where God will lead us. No matter where you are on your spiritual journey, you are welcome here. If you are seeking a community for worship, we invite you to join us. If you have any questions, please contact our Pastor, Rev. Ruth Gallot at 603-483-2907.

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Mon, Tues, Fri – 7:00 a.m.  
Wed – 7:00 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.



### Eucharistic Adoration

First Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the church  
Wednesdays in May from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. in the church



### St. Peter Women's Guild Bake Sale

The St. Peter Women's Guild will be hosting a Bake Sale after Masses on the weekend of May 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup>. Proceeds will benefit local charities.



### Baptism or Marriage

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



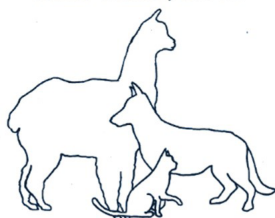
### Interested in learning more about the Catholic Church?

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<b>Session 1 June 19-22 MORNING CAMPS 8:30-11:30am</b>		<b>Session 1 June 19-22 - AFTERNOON CAMPS 12-3pm</b>	
	<b>Grades</b>		<b>Grades</b>
Splash & Splatter Science	K-4	Crafting Craziiness	K-4
Summer STEM camp	K-4	Wet N Wild	K-4
Intro to Theatre Workshop	K-8	Musical Theatre: Little Mermaid	K-8
Facepainting and Balloon Animals	1-4	Learn to Play Sport Camp	1-4
Crafting with Nature	1-5	Let's Get Crafty	3-8
Drawing Camp	1-5	Mythical Creatures and Far Away Lands	4-6
I Love Me!	1-6	Minecraft camp	5-6
Card Making	1-8	Basketball Camp	5-8
Diamond Art Camp	2-4	Diamond Art Camp	5-8
Harry Potter Camp	2-5		
Minecraft camp	3-4		
Paint Pouring	3-6		
Sweet Treats and Other Artsy Eats	4-6		
Blanket Making with Loop Yarn	4-8		
Basketball Camp	5-8		
Trail Running Camp	5-8		
<b>Session 2 June 26-June 29 MORNING CAMPS 8:30-11:30am</b>		<b>Session 2 June 26-June 29 AFTERNOON CAMPS 12-3pm</b>	
	<b>Grades</b>		<b>Grades</b>
Splash & Splatter Science	K-4	Crafting Craziiness	K-4
Big Buddy, Little Buddy	K-8	Wet N Wild	K-4
Musical Theatre: Disney Medley	K-8	Musical Theatre: Encanto	K-8
Learn to Play Sport Camp	1-4	Bakers Dozen	1-5
Crafting with Nature	1-5	Minecraft camp	5-6
Lego Camp	1-5	Camp Memories	5-8
I Love Me!	1-6	Trail Running Camp	5-8
Card Making	1-8		
"Ohhhh TODDLES"	2-5		
Minecraft camp	3-4		
Bakers Dozen	4-8		
Blanket Making with Loop Yarn	4-8		
Gardening Crafts camp	4-8		
<b>Session 3 July 31- August 3 MORNING CAMPS 8:30-11:30am</b>		<b>Session 4 August 7-10 MORNING CAMPS 8:30-11:30am</b>	
	<b>Grades</b>		<b>Grades</b>
Shark Week Camp	K-4	Crafting with Nature	1-5
Facepainting and Balloon Animals	1-4	Welcome to the Jungle	1-5
Crafting with Nature	1-5	I Love Me!	1-6
Under the Sea	1-5	Bakers Dozen	1-8
I Love Me!	1-6	Card Making	1-8
Card Making	1-8	Paint Pouring	3-5
Paint Pouring	3-5	Jewelry Camp	3-8
Blanket Making with Loop Yarn	4-8	Introduction to Felting	5-8
Baseball Camp	5-9	Volleyball Camp	5-8
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# AUBURN BOY SCOUTS TROOP 127

Throughout the month of April, Scouts participated in many outdoor adventures. Scouts from Troop 127 felt the Spring heat at the annual Chuckwagon Derby. Older scouts camped Friday night, cooking up some delicious meals and battling with the worst of Camp Carpenter's flying insects. In the morning, Scouts prepared difficult questions and scenarios, as well as physical challenges and hands-on scout skills like first aid, fire building, and much more. With the stations prepared, southern new Hampshire's cub scouts worked hard pulling their wagons around Carpenter and fulfilling the stations, with scoring being based on performance and, of course, scout spirit. Troop 127 kept the theme of adventure steady as they collaborated with Chester's troop 163 on a high adventure camporee at West Point Military Academy. Scouts operated on a similar structure to Chuckwagon or Klondike, where they engaged in various station based activities. This time around, however, scouts stepped it up a notch competing at the rifle range, first aid, paintball rooms, and battling through a tough endurance and strength test at the obstacle course, amongst many other stations. Troop 127 also elected new leadership, changing up the troop dynamic and allowing new ideas to flow.

Thanks for reading,  
Troop 127 Scribe

# GIRL SCOUTS TROOP 59007

Auburn Girl Scout Troop 59007 is a group of 4th graders who were excited to share their donated Girl Scout cookies with their local heroes in April. They dropped off cookies to the AVS school staff, Griffin Free Library staff, Auburn Police & Fire departments and the Town Hall. The girls thank all who helped their cookie season to be a success! They will be using the funds they earned to do a variety of fun activities including a Girl Scout Roller Skating party, a visit to the NH Audubon Center to earn their Animal Habitats Badge, a Fire Building and Naturalist badge activity at Camp Kettleford and a troop camping trip is planned for this summer!





# A Win Win Situation!

Beginning May 1st, the Friends of the Library will again begin to collect 500lbs of plastic. When our goal is reached before October 31st, the Library will obtain a free composite bench in return. Another place to sit, read, and enjoy the sounds of nature. Please look for a recycle bin on the library porch. Another drop off location might be added in the future. A notice will be posted to the community page.

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### Auburn Parks and Recreation

The Town of Auburn/Auburn Parks and Recreation is accepting applications for the part time position of Facilities Maintenance Worker. The responsibilities will include but not limited to:

- Ensuring that all Parks and Rec properties are clean and safe at all times.
- Remove trash from all recreational facilities.
- Assemble and install new equipment.
- Monitor condition of existing equipment and repair as needed.
- Open and close recreational facilities each year.
- Set up and clean up at all recreational events as well as assist at events as needed.
- Maintain recreational fields and ice-skating rinks.
- Performs repairs and maintenance as requested to the Town Hall.
- Performs winter snow clearing at Town facilities.
- Attend Parks and Recreation meetings as needed.

Although the hours will vary depending on the season, the weather and the P&R events schedule, the typical work week will be Monday through Friday, 15-20 hours per week with occasional weekend hours as needed.

Please submit application and cover letter to: Auburn Parks and Recreation, PO Box 309, Auburn, NH 03032 or [recreation@townofauburnNH.com](mailto:recreation@townofauburnNH.com). The application is available on the Town website at [AuburnNH.us](http://AuburnNH.us). The position shall remain open until filled.



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# *News from the Auburn Historical Association*

## Postal Service in Auburn - By Dan Carpenter



C. Lester Emery, Jr.



The Post Office in 1975 (Now the Auburn House of Pizza)



Ann Dollard becomes Postmaster

The modern era of postal service arrived in Auburn when the Manchester to Portsmouth branch line of the B & M Railroad came in 1862. For the first time, mail arrived in town and departed on a daily basis. At the turn of the century, Rural Free Delivery swept the nation. People were allowed to vote for mail delivery right to the farm. For rural families, this represented a huge jump in postal service and the emergence of the great retail catalog companies like Sears and J C Penny's.

At the turn of the 20th century, Manchester Post Office set up a branch office at what is now the Massabesic Traffic Circle. James Benson, (Son-in-law to Andrew Fox) had a blacksmith shop on the Londonderry Turnpike next to the railway. He also ran the Massabesic Post Office out of his house across from what is now Moe-Joe's Restaurant. Letters addressed to Massabesic, NH would go to Manchester and then be taken out to the Lake. When George Spofford wrote in his journal that he went up to the Post Office - He was on his way to the Candia Rd - Londonderry Turnpike intersection.

Simon Prescott, who owned the Village Store located just North of the Rt 121 Bridge, became Post Master in 1887. Four years later, Tom Emery's meat market, located next to Prescott's, took over the Post Office. In 1894, Simon sold out to his son, Frank. Frank moved the store to its present location, and became Post Master in 1898. The Post Office remained in Prescott's Store till 1940. By 1940, Albert Eaton, (1912-? Harland's brother) was a young man on the move. He had already served as an Auburn Selectman and was Chief of the newly formed Auburn Fire Department. He was appointed Post Master and moved the PO into a small building where Auburn Family Dentistry is now. But World War II is on the horizon. The United States Government is preparing and Manchester's Grenier Air Strip is a potential launching site for planes enroute to Europe. Eaton resigns the Auburn job and is appointed Chief of the Grenier Field Fire Department. Paul Wood (325 Bunker Hill) is up next. He moved the Post Office back into Prescott's Store and served 8 years.

Carl 'Les' Emery, a wounded WWII Navy veteran, took over in 1948 and held the job for 24 years. Prescott's Store burned for the first time in the early 1950's. Les Emery, who was also on the AFD, rushed down to the store and saved his mail. When the store was rebuilt, a separate building was erected for grain and farm supplies. Emery and the Post Office moved into this new annex to the store. With the decline of the chicken business in Auburn (Thanks Frank Perdue and Col Sanders), the grain store closed and the Post Office took over the whole building.

Ken Sanford purchased the building in the 1970's and the Post Office inspected the property to ensure that it was up to their standards. The small, high windows needed metal bars. Sanford purchased steel bars and realized that it was impossible to insert them into the window frames. He solved the problem painting copper tubing flat black, bent them, slid them into place, and straightened them out. They looked good and passed inspection.

(Cont'd..)

## *News from the Auburn Historical Association*

Sanford also rebuilt the front entryway. He found a half dozen flat rocks, about 4 feet by 2 feet by 6 inches thick in a creek in Amherst. Using his truck (a VW bus), he somehow got them out of the brook by himself, loaded them, and brought them to Auburn one at a time. Sanford used these stones as a railing on the steps. (They are still under the front porch of Village Pizza.)

The Executive Branch of the Federal Government, The President, had responsibility for the Post Office. The Post Master was a patronage job and presidents from different political parties would make changes based on politics. The Post Master was the local representative of the Federal Government. If every local Post Master provided good service, the President of The United States, who had appointed and supported them would have a better chance of success. Being Post Master was not that lucrative but it guaranteed 'foot traffic' for the business. Stores today sell lottery tickets for much the same reason. In 1971, the Post Office was reorganized as a separate, independent governmental agency. The Post Office gave up its monopoly on packages. This led to the growth of independent, private companies like UPS and Fed Ex. The President of the United States would no longer appoint Post Masters. Years of service and employment record would determine eligibility for postal jobs. A person with zero knowledge of a community could bid on and win an open postal position.

Ann Bartholomew Dollard became Post Master in 1972 and served for 20 years. She was always concerned the Post Office in Auburn would be downsized and eliminated. Dollard encouraged Auburnites to purchase stamps locally. No serious attempt to close the Auburn Post Office was made during her tenure. The Post Office lease for the little store in Auburn was up in 1989. By then, the Post Office had outgrown the building and they were looking for a new location. A post office investor purchased property on Raymond Rd and built the present building. The new location seemed to work well but in 2009 the Post Office moved all the mail routes to Candia. It looked like Ann Dollard's fears were coming true but in 2016 the mail routes were returned to Auburn. Today, The Auburn Post Office is as busy as ever. In recent years, 2 other locals served as Post Master, Maureen McInnis, 1998-2004, and Jim Bonnier, 2004-2018. Carol Crete from Depot Road served from 1973 to 1999. Tom Gonyea from Spofford Rd has worked in the office since 2014.

### ★ *Upcoming Events* ★



The Auburn Historical Association will be selling and delivering hanging baskets on May 12th. To make delivery easier for our drivers, we are asking for prepayment. Each basket is \$30. If you would like to order, please send your prepayment to Auburn Historical Association, c/o Brenda Beer, P.O. Box 124, Auburn, NH 03032. Please be sure to include your name, street address, telephone number and email address. We will confirm that we have received your order. **Deadline to have money in is May 6th.** Thank you for supporting the Auburn Historical Association.



**The 2023 Auburn Day and 30th Annual Duck Race** will be on Sept 9th! Are you interested in becoming a sponsor or setting up as a vendor? Please contact us at [info@auburnhistorical.org](mailto:info@auburnhistorical.org) for more info. Look for updates in the Crier, on our website ([www.auburnhistorical.org](http://www.auburnhistorical.org)) and follow us on Facebook as we get closer to the event!



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