



Auburn Village Crier

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MARCH 2016

LONGMEADOW CHURCH BREAKFASTS

Saturdays
March 5 and 19
6:30 - 10:00 AM



ST. PADDY'S DAY SUPPER

Saturday, March 12
5:00 - 7:00 PM
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TOWN & SCHOOL ELECTION DAY TUESDAY, MARCH 8 Auburn Village School Gym 7:00 AM-7:00 PM

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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23 at 7:00 PM

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Drawing on research from her book, *Moved and Seconded: Town Meeting in NH, the Present, the Past and the Future*, Rebecca

Rule regales audiences with stories of the rituals, traditions and history of town meeting, including the perennial characters, the literature, the humor, and the wisdom of this uniquely New England institution.

Time to License your dog!!!



All dogs need to be licensed by April 30th

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SAVE THE DATE! SHRED DAY!

Saturday, May 14

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5. 3 - Ring binders
6. Magazines
7. Newspapers

Plans for Road Reconstruction

by Mike Dross, Road Agent

For approximately 20 years, the Town of Auburn has been working towards improving all of the Town roads to a standard that could be easily maintained for long-term benefit. This effort was initiated by past Boards of Selectmen, and has been endorsed by the Budget Committee and Town Meeting voters.



In 2016, the Town budget includes a fully-funded road reconstruction budget of \$800,000. The main work to be accomplished this year is the reconstruction of approximately one mile of Dearborn Road, from its intersection with Raymond Road to the Candia town line. When that work is finished, efforts will turn to Nutt Road.

For the past few years, all discussions with the Board of Selectmen and the Road Agent have focused on the belief the Town is within four to five years of completing all of the major improvement work that had been anticipated. Roads that remain on the list include major drainage work on Pingree Hill Road, and overall improvements to Old Candia Road, Lovers Lane, Rockwood Terrace, Squirrel Drive, Lakeview Way and Rockingham Road.

Since the School District Deliberative Session in January, I have been getting questions from residents asking about plans to significantly reduce the road reconstruction budget now, and what it would mean. All I can report is that it has been suggested to reduce the road reconstruction budget of \$800,000 to \$200,000. With the 2016 budget set at \$800,000, the earliest any change could take place is 2017. This would not be a decision of a single board, but would have to go through the budgeting process involving the Budget Committee and, ultimately, the voters.

If this were a one-time, one year reduction, it would delay the work remaining to be done by a year. But if the intent is to permanently offset the tax impact of the proposed school construction project for the 30 year life of the bond, then it would have a major impact on the Town reaching the goal it had of improving its road network. Instead of four or five years to complete the road work, we may well be looking at 10 to 12 years or longer. And that assumes no problems develop on other roads in town.

Throughout my tenure as Road Agent, I have indicated once the major work is completed, the road reconstruction budget can easily be reduced by hundreds of thousands of dollars. But there will still need to be funding in place for maintenance work on these roads including drainage and shim & overlay of pavement in order to keep the road network to the standard the townspeople have come to expect. That funding level needs to be more than \$200,000 to be effective, and that number would be determined at the time based on inflation, labor rates, cost of materials, etc., that is not known today.

Meet the Candidates

For Selectman, Three Years

Name: **Russell Sullivan**

Address: 207 Spofford Road, Auburn, NH 03032

Office for which you are running: Selectman

Why you see yourself as a qualified candidate:

I have many years of experience on various boards including Planning Board and Board of Selectmen. I have worked on projects for Parks and Recreation as well as the Lions Club. As a resident of Auburn for over 58 years, I very much like the town and want to be the hidden gem we all call home.

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

The Board of Selectmen must work cooperatively with all of the boards, commissions and departments. This is particularly important now with the School Board asking for the funds to remodel the school. I believe the Selectmen can assist in reducing the impact to the taxpayers. As a Selectman, I will work hard to find ways to reduce other town spending to partially offset the cost of financing the school's project. Communication between the Selectmen and the residents is less than acceptable and I would like to change it for the positive. Residents have the right to know what the Board is doing at all times.

For Selectman, Three Years

Name: **James F. Headd**

Address: 225 Rattlesnake Hill Rd

Office for which you are running: Selectman

Why you see yourself as a qualified candidate:

I have been involved in Town affairs for more than 30 years having served on multiple boards and commissions including: Selectman, 3 terms (2007-present) budget committee 9 years; chairman 7; planning board 1995-97; parks & recreation commission 9 years and President of the Auburn Development Authority. I am experienced in the various functions of Town government and would be honored to continue to serve.

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

I would like to serve one more term as your Selectman to sustain and build upon the harmony we have restored to the Town Hall, to our Town departments and within the Board itself. I am interested in further building upon the transparency in our Town government, and to further improve our means of communications between the public and your local government such as our new enhanced web site and the Nixle system offered through the Auburn Police. The single most important role of a Selectman should be to assure all residents of Auburn that the Selectmen are acting in the best interest of the Town as a whole.

Without question, the most important duty of our town government and the Selectmen is to ensure we are adequately providing for your safety through our fire, emergency medical and police coverage, in addition to providing for the complete maintenance of our roads through the highway department.

I have taken particular pride in restoring mutual respect and dignity to the Board of Selectmen meetings, in addition to how we all deal with each other. As the old saying goes, we can disagree without being disagreeable. I view the position of Selectman as being a responsible representative of my neighbors who are the Town of Auburn.

I ask for your vote to keep Auburn as the great town it is to live, work and raise a family. Thank you for your consideration and support.

Meet the Candidates continues ...

Meet the Candidates, Continued from Page 3

For Library Trustee, Three Years

Name: Elizabeth Michaud

Address: 155 Spruce Lane

Office for which you are running: Library Trustee

Why you see yourself as a qualified candidate:

Auburn is so lucky to have a wonderful full time library and our family have been active patrons for almost a decade. About three years ago I wanted to become more involved and joined the Friends of the Griffin Free Library to help support fundraising such as the Santa Breakfast, helping at the Annual Book Sale, and other events throughout the year. During meetings I learned about the Library Trustee Board and soon became an Alternate.

I've now been on the Board for two years and have learned about regulations for NH Libraries, attended monthly meetings, participated in yearly budgeting meetings, and been actively involved in the recruiting and hiring of our new Library Director. I have the experience and dedication to be a valuable member of the Library Board and I hope that you will vote for me. Thank you.

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

Although our library is small I think that many Auburn residents don't realize that like the Tardis "it's bigger on the inside". I'd like to see more people come into the library to take advantage of all the free services offered. We're always getting new books and movies, we've got activities for kids, programs for adults like lectures and our new adult coloring session, we link to all the other libraries in NH and can get Inter-library loans, we have wifi and a patron use laptop. And if there are services you'd like us to have we'd love to hear your ideas, after all this is your library.

For Cemetery Trustee, Three Years

Name: Scott Norris

Address: 27 Raymond Road

Office for which you are running: Cemetery Trustee

Why you see yourself as a qualified candidate:

I have resided in Auburn my whole life, I feel it's time to take an active role in town.

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

I like the small town personal feel and want to continue with that way of business.

For Planning Board, Three Years

Name: Michael Rolfe

Address: 416 Bunker Hill Rd,

Office for which you are running: Planning Board

Why you see yourself as a qualified candidate:

I was born and raised in Auburn have worked in and out of Auburn for 40 years in excavation, construction and road reconstruction.

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

I would like to see that the developers follow the rules and regulations of the planning board voted in by the town's people and stop all the waivers that have created problems with wet land set backs.

Meet the Candidates continues...

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For Planning Board, Three Years

Name: Alan R. Cote

Address: 488 Pingree Hill Road

Office for which you are running: Planning Board

Why you see yourself as a qualified candidate:

I have lived in Auburn since 1992. I was a member of the Zoning Board of Adjustment from 1998 - 2000. I have been a member of the Planning Board since 2003 and I have been the vice-chair since 2013. I have a thorough understanding of the subdivision regulations, site plan regulations, and zoning ordinance. People who know me, know that I am engaged in the Planning Board process, that I ask the questions and as a member of the planning board, hold true to adhere to the intent of the adopted regulations.

In addition to my many years of experience on the Planning Board, my professional background makes me the ideal candidate for this position. I have been employed by the Town of Derry, Department of Public Works for over 27 years. I started out in engineering and later became Superintendent of Operations. I regularly review plans prior to their submission to the planning board as part of an internal technical review.

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

I view the Planning Board's mission as one of the most important tasks in the town. The Master Plan, the Capital Improvements Plan (CIP), and updating Subdivision and Site Plan Regulations as well as making recommendations to the voters for changes to the Zoning Ordinance help to determine the direction the town is headed on what Auburn will look like in 10 years, 20 years, and 50 years.

I would like to see more residents become involved and attend the Planning Board meetings. Many people do not get involved until there is a development in their back yard. They do not understand that the planning board can't simply reject a subdivision if they are following the regulations and state statutes, regardless of the public opinion. I think it would be helpful to try and educate the public about land use and planning.

For Police Commission, Three Years

Name: Dennis McCarthy

Address: 83 Chester Road

Office for which you are running: Police Commission

Why you see yourself as a qualified candidate:

I have served the Town of Auburn for 30 years on the Fire Department, 15 years as Deputy Chief; 5 years on the Planning Board, 3 years as Chairman; and 11 years on the Police Commission. I have worked for or with municipalities as a Civil Engineer for close to 40 years, with the last 26 years as a Public Works Director. I currently serve on the New Hampshire Public Works Association as a Director.

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

I would like to see the Police Commission take a more active role in overseeing the operation of the Auburn Police Department.

Meet the Candidates continues ...

...Meet the Candidates**For School Board, Three Years**

Name: **Samantha Belcourt**

Address: 215 Rattlesnake Hill Road

Office for which you are running: School Board

Why you see yourself as a qualified candidate:

There are three major reasons why I see myself as a qualified candidate. First, my educational background includes a Master's in Education from SNHU with a concentration in Curriculum & Instruction. I also hold a Bachelor's in Business Education in addition to being a certified Technology Integrator. Second, my professional experience includes being a Business Technology teacher at Manchester Central High School since 2007. I am also an Adjunct Professor at Nashua Community College. This experience provides me with a solid understanding of current education standards and best practices at the state and local level. Third, I am a longtime resident of Auburn. I grew up here and graduated from AVS in 1993 before attending Pinkerton Academy. I recently moved back to Auburn to raise my children and I look forward to continuing my family's long history of service to the town of Auburn.

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

I feel as though the board's overall communication can be improved. Having strong communication is very important, not only within the board itself but with the school, other boards & committees, and the community. I will bring strong communication and technical skills to the board so that we can communicate effectively with all of the residents of Auburn through both traditional and new media. This approach will allow all residents to have a voice in maintaining the town's tradition of quality education.

I would also like to improve the thoroughness of the board's research when discussing items. Making sure that all sides of a topic are taken into account will insure that any final decision is the most efficient and responsible solution for the town.

For School Board, Three Years

Name: **Anita Gildea**

Address: 42 Nolls Farm Road

Office for which you are running: School Board

Why you see yourself as a qualified candidate:

I am a resident since 1991. My husband and I bought our first home in Auburn, and have raised our two daughters here. Our girls attended Tiny Tots, the Village Children's Center, AVS, Memorial and Pinkerton. I've worked in the education field since 1987. I currently work for a professional development company working closely with master teachers who advise and coach school districts across the country, I'm passionate about teaching and learning and supporting AVS in being the best it can be. As a taxpayer with kids out of the system, I do understand the challenges of balancing budget and necessity, and give careful consideration to the investments we entertain and ultimately ask the town to support.

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

I am hopeful well be able to turn our attention from renovating the current structure, addressing both safety and instructional concerns for the next 30 years, and focus on recruiting and retaining the best staff, and supporting them in providing high quality instruction. We have a great track record; we need to continue to nurture it and ensure sustainability. A lot of the Board's time is currently spent on the physical facility out of necessity. It will be good to bring a balance to maintaining both the exterior structure with what ultimately happens inside.

Meet the Candidates continues ...

...Meet the Candidates

For School Board, Three Years

Name: Alan Villeneuve

Address: 61 Spofford Road

Office for which you are running: School Board

Why you see yourself as a qualified candidate:

It has been my honor to serve on this Board over the last nine years. During that time I have had the great opportunity to work with the other members in a team effort to continue and develop new strategies and programs for our students. My work as a Project Manager for a commercial construction company has provided a good backdrop for different skills that crossover to Board and committee work. Both my wife and I graduated from AVS as have two of our four children. We're certainly hoping the last two will as well! As a small business owner I am aware of the impact that both taxes have on the individual but also what an educated workforce means to a community. I think AVS and our community are special places and I think I can help to keep them that way.

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

I think the Board is working on several projects which are more than just a transformative renovation and addition project. I am hoping to see the improvement of instruction we have been working towards become a measureable thing. As with most group undertakings I think communication is always something that can be better. I am not sure there is such a thing as "over-communicating".

**This concludes the "Meet the Candidates" section
Please remember to cast your VOTE on
Tuesday, March 8
7:00 AM-7:00 PM
Auburn Village School Gymnasium**

The Massabesic Seniors March Program

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News from the Auburn Town Hall



With Auburn's Deliberative Session of the annual Town Meeting now behind us, we want to encourage as many Auburn voters as possible to participate in the governance of our community by casting their votes at the ballot session of Town Meeting - just as you did in casting votes for Presidential candidates last month.

At the end of the Deliberative Session, all warrant articles were advanced to the official ballot without amendment for final determinations on voting day.

There are a number of elected positions on both the Town and School District ballots, including contested races for the positions of Planning Board, Police Commission, Selectman and School Board member.

The Town and School District balloting will be held on Tuesday, March 8th from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Auburn Village School.

Elsewhere in this newsletter are profiles submitted by various candidates for local office who are seeking your vote. By the time you are reading this, you should have also received a "Town of Auburn Voter's Guide" that provides detailed information about the five proposed zoning amendments and eight warrant articles on the Town warrant, and the five articles on the School District Warrant.

We encourage as many voters as possible to participate in their local government by taking the time to vote on March 8th.

Selectmen's Meeting Postings

Beginning with our first meeting in March, the Selectmen's Office will be posting additional information with the agenda of Selectmen's meetings to provide the public with as much information as possible that is before Board of Selectmen.

A packet of back-up information for most of the items on the agenda will be posted with the agenda in order to provide the public with a better understanding of the business being handled by the Board of Selectmen.

Taking a lesson from a number of our neighboring communities, we will be posting back-up information on agenda items except for material that may be confidential or for Non-Public Sessions. For the past year, the Town Administrator has been providing this information to Town department heads and officials in advance, and we intend to expand that now to the general public.

James Headd

Richard Eaton

Dale Phillips

Auburn Board of Selectmen

Parks & Rec

by Helen Hiltz

Here it is...March 2016! The annual senior dinner was held at Longmeadow church on January 30th. There were ~ 75 people in attendance with 10 to 12 take out dinners. All of the seniors enjoyed their meals, raffles and good company. The Red Hat Ladies and all of the other volunteers helped make this event a great success again this year. Thank-you for all of your efforts!

Unfortunately, Mother Nature did not cooperate with providing either ice or snow for the Winter Carnival. The event had to be cancelled. We hope that the event can be scheduled again for next year. There have been numerous problems with the ice rinks again this year. The rinks were sealed in an attempt to alleviate the problem but it appears that a much more aggressive approach will need to be undertaken. The Parks and Recreation Committee will be working on getting a professional, heavy duty rubberized sealer this year. We would also like to ask for everyone's cooperation in respecting fill times and not skating or snowmobiling over fresh fills. We would like to thank the Fire Department for their tireless efforts in attempting to keep the rinks filled. Thank-you all for your patience!

The Parks and Recreation Committee is busy planning the Summer Fest event that will be held on June 4th at Wayne Eddows Fields. This year the Committee is partnering with the Auburn Fire Department to provide a fun filled afternoon and evening to kick off summer! There will be a great band (Crush, formerly Mirage), a climbing wall, a traveling barnyard, awesome face painters, a photo booth, lots of fair type foods, novelty vendors, carnival type games for all to play, fireworks, etc. Mark your calendars and keep your eyes on the Village Crier for more details!

The summer concert series is alive and well. They will be held on June 16th and August 18th at 6:00. Back by popular demand.....popcorn and the barbecues! Bring your blankets and chairs and enjoy the concerts on the gazebo!

Auburn Soccer Club spring registration is now open. Visit auburnsoccerclub.org for more information.

Griffin Free Public Library

By Kathy Growney, Library Director

www.griffinfree.com



Griffin Free Library is proud to announce that New Hampshire Public Radio personality and author Brady Carlson will appear at the library on Wednesday, March 30 from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. Carlson will be reading from and signing copies of his new, critically acclaimed book, *Dead Presidents: An American Adventure into the Strange Deaths and Surprising Afterlives of Our Nation's Leaders*. The event is free and open to the public.

Refreshments will be served and copies of Carlson's book will be for sale. No registration needed, but come early as parking is limited. For more information, please contact Kathy or Dan at 603-483-5374 or go to www.griffinfree.com.

Of course, we have many other events happening in March as well:

- **Tuesday, March 1st, 11:00 a.m.** - Infant/Toddler Storytime with Miss Mary. Enjoy movement games, songs, and stories to educate and entertain!
- **Saturday, March 5th, 11:00 a.m.** - Storytime with Miss Mary. HAPPY BIRTHDAY, DR. SEUSS! Join us for a fun day of activities and birthday cake.
- **Monday, March 7th, 7:00 p.m.** - Friends of the Griffin Free Public Library Meeting and "Be a Friend...Bring a Friend" event. Come meet the Friends and see how you can help make our library even better. Refreshments will be served and a door prize will be awarded to one new member.
- **Wednesday, March 9th, 1:00 p.m.** - Friends Book Club. Join us to discuss this month's book *Winter People* by Jennifer McMahon. This literary thriller takes place in Vermont spanning the years between 1908 and the present. A cross between a ghost story and a mystery, it will make you wonder if it would really be worthwhile to bring someone back from the dead. All are welcome and copies of the book are available at Griffin Free.
- **Tuesday, March 15th, 11:00 a.m.** - Infant/Toddler Storytime with Miss Mary.
- **Wednesday, March 16th, 6:30 p.m.** - Storytime with Miss Mary. Try to catch a leprechaun! Follow the clues in the library to catch the sneaky little man!
- **Saturday, March 19th, 11:00 a.m.** - Storytime with Miss Mary. Happy Easter! We will be decorating "eggs" and playing games to celebrate spring!
- **Wednesday, March 30th, 6:30 p.m.** - Brady Carlson Author Reading and Book Signing.

Finally, are you looking for something to do with youngsters when the weather outside is bad? How about the SEE Science Center in Manchester? Thanks to the Friends of Griffin Free, we have museum passes to the SEE Science Center that you may borrow for FREE! Each pass provides general admission for one family to SEE free of charge. Stop by Griffin Free to learn more!



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Police Department

By Captain Gary F. Bartis

During all of our lives we all hear the same things at various times. I don't think there's one person alive in the United States that hasn't heard the phrase "the right way, the wrong way, and my way". This one phrase pretty much sums up almost everything we experience at some point. Usually it's a parent, most likely the father, who takes that point of view. I know it was definitely like that in my family. When I finally realized this I knew the only thing to do was to step back and let it go. That play saved me a lot of pain and misery the rest of my life.

Childhood was the beginning, but when I entered the United States Army, the message altered a bit, and it was driven home in a much more forceful and clear manner than I knew possible. Their version was "the right way, the wrong way, and the Army way". It was also made clear that questioning this method was crazy. Again the solution was to step back and let it go.

Why write about such a simple part of life we are all aware of? Well, the legal system has its own version of "the right way, the wrong way, and my way". The correct terminology is; the prosecution, the defense, and the judge (sometimes a jury). The right way and the wrong way are arbitrary based on the set of facts and who believes what about the matter before the court. The important part of the triangle is the "my way". "My way" is represented by the Judge or the Jury, and what they decide is final. All my years in law enforcement have taught me the importance of the Judge's decision. This has provided me with the tools to do my job the best I can. Collect the evidence, treat all the people in the case with respect, and present the facts as I have learned them to the court. Like Joe Friday use to say on Dragnet, "just the facts sir". In law enforcement I may be part of the "right way" or maybe part of the "wrong way", but I am not part of "my way". The "my way" is clearly the Judge or the Jury, and that's when everyone must step back and let it go.

Auburn has been in the center of one of these triangles in recent years. Recently the Jury made a decision in the case, and now it's time to let it go. This has been a fantastic town to be a part of all the years I've worked for the Police Department. I'm hoping that this is the year I can retire from law enforcement, and I for one would like to leave the Town of Auburn with the same happiness that I had when I first started here.

On to other business. Some people have approached me about the dangers that exist for joggers and bicyclist during the winter months. It can be dangerous year round, but right now the roads are not always as clear and wide as they are in drier months. Plus the sunlight hours are much shorter. I know the joggers are aware of the hazards, but the drivers are having difficulty seeing the runners and bikers when the sun hasn't come up yet, and when the sun goes down early. One driver told me he had difficulty when the sun was in his eyes, and when he was able to see he almost hit a jogger. This person was really shaken by the experience. I'm sure the jogger wasn't very happy also. Anyway, drivers must pay closer attention to their driving, and joggers, pedestrians, and bikers must make themselves more visible, and stay as far off the roadway as possible. It's not rocket science, but it may save a life.

On April 2, 2016 at 6:45 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. the Police Department and the Fire Department are having their "Silly Chili Competition" at the Auburn Village School. There will be three comedians entertaining at the comedy show. There will be a raffle, and door prizes. The cost is \$20.00, and tickets can be purchased at the Safety Complex. Last year this event was very successful, and this year should be even better. We hope to see you there.



News from Auburn Dollars for Scholars

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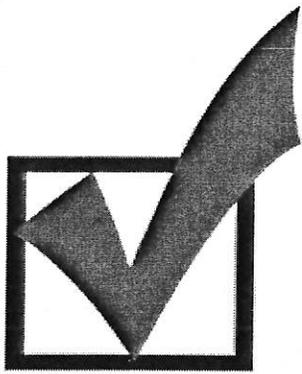
We will be holding student and parent workshops in March and April at the Griffin Library,
Please check the web site "events" tab for dates and times.

If you wish to donate you can find the information on our web site "donation" tab.
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GOOD LUCK TO ALL!

Thank You, Mary Hrubiec, President

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A Voter Petitioned Warrant Article:

**Second Article
(Amendment #5)**

On March 8th you will be asked to vote on the article below:

5. Are you in favor of the adoption of Amendment No.5 as proposed by voter petition for the Town of Auburn Zoning Ordinance as follows:

Amend the Auburn Zoning Ordinance by abolishing the cluster development provisions from the ordinance, so that all residential development will be subject to the 2-acre minimum lot size requirement.

NOTE: This proposal is not recommended by the Planning Board, and if this voter petitioned amendment passes, it will cause Amendment No. 1 be void and of no legal effect, as well as nullify Article 7 of the Town's Zoning Ordinance.

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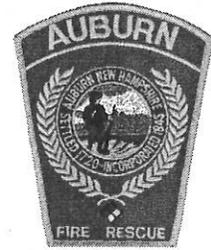
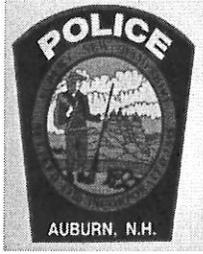
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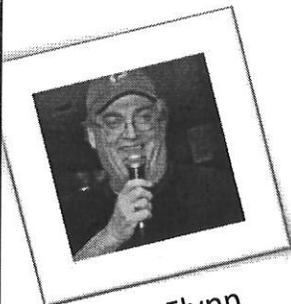
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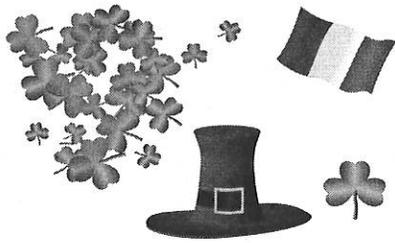
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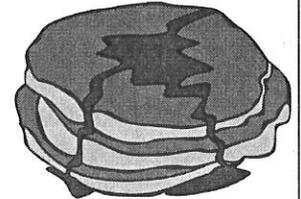
LONGMEADOW CHURCH St. PADDY'S DAY SUPPER



Longmeadow Church will be having their annual **St Paddy's Day Supper** on **Sat, March 12th**, from 5- 7 pm. Don't miss the fantastic traditional corned beef and cabbage supper with all the fixings including delicious desserts. The cost for adults is \$12, seniors are \$8, kids 6-12 is \$8, and free for children under 6. We hope to see you there - please bring a friend! For more information call 483-2907.

Longmeadow Church Breakfast

Come and join us for breakfast in March on **March 5th and 19th**, 6:30 - 10: 00 am. The breakfasts are the **1st and 3rd Saturdays** of each month at Longmeadow Congregational Church, 4 Wilson's Crossing Rd. Where else can you meet your old friends, catch up on town gossip 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?



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Sun - 8:00 am & 10:30 am

Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri - 7:00 am



Lenten Schedule:

Daily Masses will be Monday, Wednesday, and Friday at 7:00 am, and Tuesday at 12:00 noon.

Stations of the Cross and our Lenten Bible Study Fridays at 6:30 pm in the Church.

Lenten Mission, March 13-15 at 6:30 pm: Join us for three evenings of inspirational talks on the mercy of God, music, adoration, individual confession and refreshments.

Holy Week and Easter Mass Schedule:

Sunday, March 20: Palm Sunday Masses - 8:00 am and 10:30 am

Monday, March 21: Individual Confession - 6:30-8:00 pm

Thursday, March 24: Mass of the Lord's Supper - 7:00 pm

Friday, March 25: Stations of the Cross - 3:00 pm; Celebration of the Lord's Passion - 7:00 pm

Saturday, March 26: Easter Vigil - 7:30 pm

Sunday, March 27: Easter Sunday Masses - 8:00 am and 10:30 am

Girl Scouts

by Stacey Melendy

The Cookies have arrived! Please look for your Girl Scout as they will be out making deliveries and at cookie booths around town this month! Haven't seen your scout this year? Call 231-1709 and we will get one to your door for you. Thin Mint, Samoa, Tagalong, Do-si-do, Trefoil, Savannah Smiles, and Rah-Rah Raisin are still only \$4 a box and the Gluten Free Toffee-tastic is \$5 a box. Thank You for your Support!



This portion was written by Megan and Maddy

This month Senior Troop 10020 decided to discover what it's like to vote as we worked on our Behind the Ballot badge. We played games to discover what each political party stood for. To start off we listened to "Sister Suffragette" a song from Mary Poppins about political equality. We researched what it was like to be a woman in the political world, and played a game of chance where each girl picked a trivia card about woman's rights. Sadly, Maddy and Katelyn had terrible luck and lost by many points. Maddy served the cupcakes she made, while we had a very interesting discussion on women's rights and what it must have been like to be a housewife in the 1950's. Mrs. Michaud even had a book on how to be a good housewife that we all found funny. We are very excited for our chance to vote in a few years and enjoyed learning about what it's like to vote as a woman in America. To finish the badge we went to the Manchester Mill Yard Museum for the First in the Nation Exhibit. We all enjoyed trying to guess the presidents that had visited NH, making Mrs. Miller and Mrs. Michaud feel old. We also enjoyed the political buttons of all the different groups supporting the presidents, and learned some new facts about running for president and the process it takes to get there.

March 6th to 12th is Girl Scout Week. Girl Scouts everywhere celebrate as we honor founder Juliette Gordon Low and the first assembly of scouts 104 years ago. Girl Scouts of all ages are invited to attend Sunday Service at the Longmeadow Church at 9:30am.

If you or someone you know is interested in joining the Girl Scouts please contact Rebecca Roy at northboudroys@gmail.com or visit our website at girlscoutsgwm.org.

Boy Scouts Troop 127

By Jeremy Gagnon



Thank you everyone who donated to our Troop with Christmas tree pick-ups. In January, Troop 127 attended the Klondike competition at Camp Carpenter, in Manchester. With a lot of fresh snow and cold temperatures, the Scouts had a challenging day but finished the competition with good spirits. The Troop welcomed six new Scouts recently and had annual elections to change over leadership. Jon Wallin is the new Senior Patrol Leader and most of the other Scouts have positions within the Troop. We are preparing for a year of serious hiking and many other activities.



Troop 127 meets Monday nights at Longmeadow Church. Please visit our website if you are between the ages of 11 and 17 and interested in coming to a meeting. New Scouts are welcome to join our Troop at any time <http://auburn127.mytroop.us>

Troop 127 at Klondike, Camp Carpenter

Massabesic Audubon Center

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Birding with Sacagawea by Pam Hunt

Nature Café Friday, March 11, 7-8:30 pm



Most people know the basics of the Lewis and Clark Expedition, and most birders know that Lewis's Woodpecker and Clark's Nutcracker are named after the explorers. This program is your chance to combine history and birding all in one place! Pam Hunt has traveled the Lewis and Clark Trail twice, and this presentation stems from her most recent effort in the spring of 2013. See the places that the Corps of Discovery saw in 1804-06 and hear how the landscape and wildlife along their route have changed over the last 200 years.

Cub Scouts Pack 127

by Jocelyn Malenchini



On Saturday, February 13th, Auburn's Cub Scouts held their annual Blue and Gold Banquet at Camp Carpenter. Badges were received by Tiger, Wolf, Bear and Webelos Scouts. Nine Webelos II Scouts received Cub Scouting's highest rank, the Arrow of Light, and crossed over into Boy Scouts. For many of these boys, now fifth graders, this achievement represents a culmination of four and a half years of individual effort, team work and fun that began in first grade. The seven candles in the photo, as well as the seven rays of the Arrow of Light award, represent seven virtues of life: wisdom, courage, self-control, justice, faith, hope and love. May this be only the beginning of a long and rewarding Boy Scout career and a life well lived for each of you. Congratulations and best wishes to all!



Arrow of Light recipients pictured left to right are Ryan G, Ben H, Harry V, Thomas S, Matthew M, Austin H, Ben H, Jonathan E, Esteban O.

In other Scout news, Kathy Doyle reports:

On Saturday, Feb. 6th, the Scouts from Dens 2 and 6 went to the Derry Police Station to meet with Detective J. Breen. During the visit, the boys learned about what the detectives do. They learned about taking fingerprints, shoe prints, and about all the other tools used to collect evidence at a crime scene. Some of the tools included the mobile crime scene unit truck and the Armored Bear Cat. The different items done by the Scouts were part of the requirement "Paws for Action" and the elective "Forensics" for the Bear Scouts.

Upcoming Cub Scout events include:

March 7, Saturday Pinewood Derby, AVS Gym

March 20, Sunday Shamrock Shuffle Water Stop

For more information on joining Auburn's Cub Scouts, please contact: staceymelendy@gmail.com

SHAKESPEARE'S MIDSUMMER DREAM

Friday, March 18 6:30 PM

Saturday, March 19 11:00 AM



Performances will be held in the Auburn Village School gymnasium. Please mark your calendars now to come out and support the youth of the Auburn community while enjoying a great show!

Sponsored by the Auburn Village School PTA

Children's Stage Adventures (CSA) program

Auburn Historical Association

By Dan Carpenter

Town Election - What Were They Like 120 Years Ago?

March 1887 - Willard Griffin's Political Notes - Auburn Town Meeting

In 1887 male members of the political parties would caucus and select their candidates in preparation for the town election. Today, local elections are non-partisan, we are Auburnites before we are Republicans or Democrats.

March 1 - Made a canvass of town - 40 Republicans, 100 Democrats, 13 Doubtful

March 2 - Had talk with A. Emery on politics.

March 5 - Democrat caucus at hall (meeting room above Prescott' store)

Purpose - To nominate candidates for town meeting.

Town Moderator - AF Wood

Town Clerk - HP Wood

Selectmen - John P Griffin, John Morrill, AM Ballou

Treasurer - WH Griffin

March 6 - John (Willard' brother, John P Griffin) have been out electioneering

March 7 - Ed went home to vote. (Ed, Willard's employee at the saw mill, evidently lived out of town and it cost him a day's work to go home and vote). Had caucus at hall - John Morrill declined 2nd Selectman, John Griffin declined 1st Selectman. AD Emery nominated 1st and John 2nd

March 8 - Election Day - I went over and got John Leach at Ed Smith's to vote.

The following were elected:

Moderator - AF Wood

Clerk - HP Wood

Selectman - First Selectman - AD Emery; Second Selectman - JP Griffin; Third Selectman - AM Ballou

Treasurer - WH Griffin "*Everything Democratic*"

March 9 - Ed got back. On Wednesday, Willard "talked with A Emery on politics."

At the Saturday caucus, Judge Emery was not nominated for anything, but on the following Monday, the caucus put him up for First Selectman and he was elected at Town Meeting the next day.

In 1887, the Selectmen were elected to a one year term and they ran for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd seats. Today, Selectmen run for a three year term and the Board organizes itself.

According to Willard, in 1887 there were 153 voters in Auburn, today there are over 3800 registered voters in our town.

The Griffin's - A Century of Serving the Town - In 1887, Willard noted, "Everything Democratic". Willard H. Griffin and his son, George P were both elected to the NH House of Representatives (1917, 1929) as Democrats. George P's widow, Margaret S. Griffin (David's Mother) was elected to the House as a Republican in 1949. She served 24 years and became an influential member of the NH Republican Party. Mary M. Griffin (David's wife) was Auburn Town Clerk and then Clerk of the Auburn District Court.

Next Program - March 23

Rebecca Rule - Humorist - Moved and Seconded -

Town Meetings - NH

Auburn Safety Complex - 7:00pm

www.auburnhistorical.org



6th Annual Father Daughter Dance

By Ami D'Amelio

Auburn Dads and Daughters of all ages are cordially invited to a special night out at the sixth Annual Father Daughter Dance "The Royal Ball". The dance will be held at Auburn Village School on Friday, April 1, 2016 from 6:00-9:00pm. Enhance your special night out by adding on the Daddy & Me Dinner option before the dance from 6:00-7:00pm. For this year's event, we will have a silent auction offering awesome local experiences, a concession stand from 7:30-9:00pm, a commemorative photo and frame for \$5.00 as well as a variety of themed activities you can only find at the Royal Ball. Of course, there will still be plenty of time to spend on the dance floor! All proceeds will be donated to Auburn families in need. Visit www.AuburnFDD.com today to download an advance reservation form and save on dinner and dance tickets. *Remember: no moms or brothers allowed ... this event is for Fathers and Daughters only :-)* If you are interested in making a donation, sponsoring an activity, volunteering for the event, or requesting additional information, please contact Ami D'Amelio at amidamelio@gmail.com.

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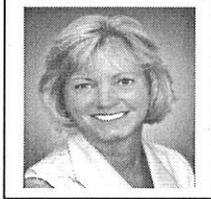
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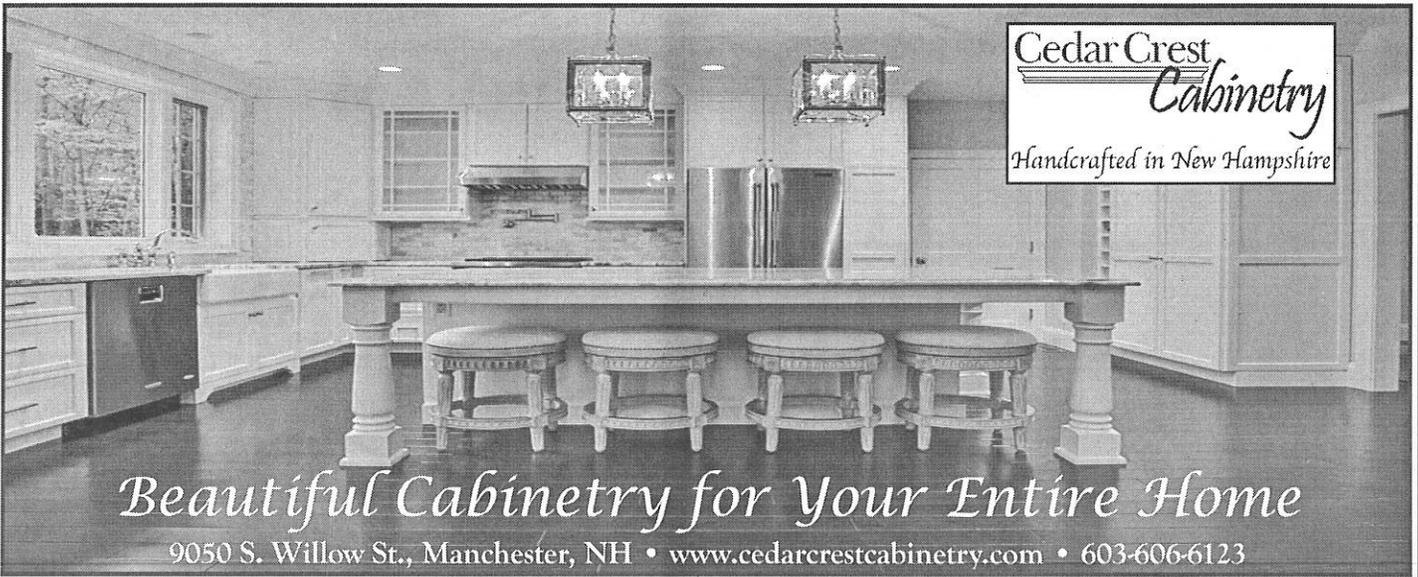
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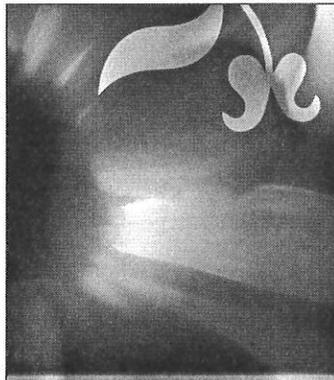
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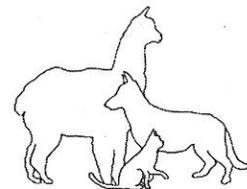


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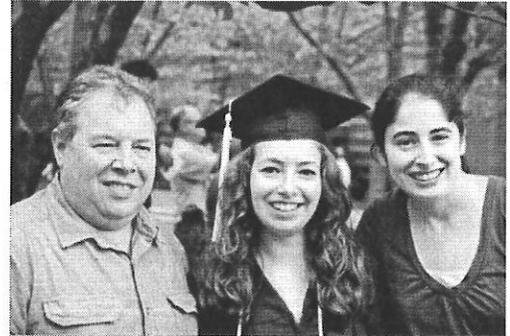
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There are many issues facing the town at this time, and the Auburn Village School is certainly the most significant as they are asking for a bond for over \$23,000,000.00. This is staggering and has an estimated increase of \$2.10 per \$1,000.00 of valuation on the tax payers. For the average home in Auburn the increase amounts to about \$2.00 per day. I believe that when elected I can trim the impact to a lower value.

As your Selectman, I will tell people “What They Need to Hear, Not What They Want to Hear”! I will improve communication between the Selectmen's office and the residents. Although some closed door meetings are necessary to discuss certain issues, most of the closed door meetings are not required.

My involvement in our community's government as Planning Board member and Selectman has spanned over 33 years. I have the dedication that is needed, with the “Hands On Experience”, the Character, and the “Wherewithal” to do the job. I will do what is Best for Auburn, with no personal agenda. I have lived here for over 58 years and want to keep Auburn a great place to live.

Although excellent education is a necessity for our children, I will always support a strong Fire Department and Police Department for the safety of the town. Excellent Police and Fire Departments enhance our day to day safety.

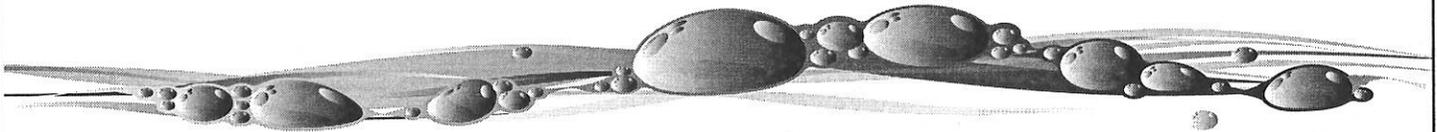
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