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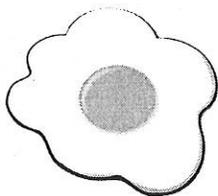
Longmeadow Church

Breakfasts

November 7 and 21

6:30 - 10:00 AM

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Save the Date!

Breakfast with Santa

Saturday, December 12, 2015

8 to 11 AM

AVS Cafeteria

\$6/Adults \$3/Children

Seasonal Music by AVS Band and Chorus



Bring your camera for pictures with Santa

Fudge is Back!

Friends of the Library are selling Van Otis Swiss Fudge and Chocolates. Order your fudge for Thanksgiving by November 5, 2015 and for Christmas by December 5, 2015. Stop by the library to order your fudge. Payment due with order.

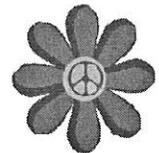
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COFFEE HOUSE

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 7

6-8 PM

AVS



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**TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE WILL
BE CLOSED WEDNESDAY
THRU FRIDAY
NOVEMBER 25-27**

News from the Auburn Town Hall



All Attention Turns to Budget

As the seasons have changed, the leaves have turned color and are falling, and the temperatures are on a downward slide, Town officials have begun work in earnest on the development of the proposed budget for 2016.

Department heads and elected officials have begun presenting their budget proposals to the Board of Selectmen, and this process will continue through November. With several of the larger department budgets having already been presented to the Selectmen at this point, many departments have worked to level fund or slightly reduce their budget proposals for the coming year. But that can't always be the case for all functions.

The Budget Committee has also begun its work to meet with town officials, review department requests and Selectmen recommendations, and ultimately, present budget recommendations to the voters.

All activity is focused towards the Budget Committee presenting a recommended Town budget at a public hearing to likely be held on Thursday, January 14, 2016, and ultimately at the Deliberative Session of Town Meeting to be held on Saturday, January 30, 2016.

Earlier this year, Town Moderator Jim Tillery had re-appointed Mary Beth Lufkin and David Wesche to their second terms on the eight-member Budget Committee.

Another Successful E-Waste Collection Event

Hundreds of Auburn residents turned out on October 10th to rid their homes of televisions, computers, radios, microwave ovens, printers, vacuum cleaners, air conditioners and other electronic items at the Town's annual E-Waste Collection event.

Held again in the front parking lot of the Auburn Village School, the materials collected completely filled one tractor trailer truck and a smaller box truck, and approximately two-thirds of a second trailer.

Many thanks to AVS Principal Lori Collins and AVS Technology Director Michael Lessard for their assistance and support in hosting this annual activity on the school property.

Household Hazardous Waste Collection Also Successful

Although Auburn had the smallest participation of the three host communities, the September 26th Household Hazardous Waste Collection event held in Raymond was also successful.

Of the 131 households taking advantage of this year's event, there were only 17 from Auburn, as compared to 68 from Raymond and 46 from Nottingham.

As a result, Auburn's participation this year was covered in full by the grant funds received from the NH Department of Environmental Services to hold this event, with no additional town funds required.

Salute Our Veterans and Happy Thanksgiving

As we head into November, please remember to honor our veterans and say "Thank you for your service" on Veterans Day November 11th. And we wish everyone a very Happy Thanksgiving holiday.

James Headd

Richard Eaton

Dale Phillips

Auburn Board of Selectmen



E-Waste Collection Day

THE AUBURN VILLAGE SCHOOL PTA

Holiday Fair

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2015 | 8AM - 2PM

AVS GYMNASIUM | 11 EATON HILL ROAD, AUBURN NH 03032

The 2015 Holiday Fair is shaping up to be another great one! Come join us for:

- unique crafts/products
- fun games & prizes for kids
- amazing raffles
- crafts for kids
- Sweet Stroll
- homemade soup

Raffle items include a family four-pack of Disney Park Hopper passes & an American Girl Doll! Proceeds benefit the AVS PTA.

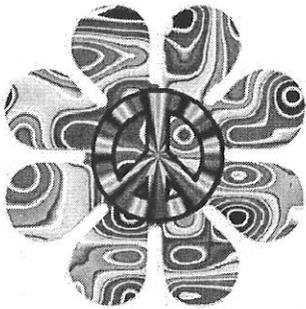
Interested vendors & donors, please visit www.avsholidayfair.com.

Admission is free.



Parks and Recreation

by Helen Hiltz



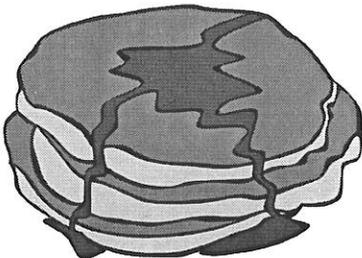
Don't forget to join us at the Hippy Dippy Coffee House that will be held on November 7th from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM. The wrap up of the 2015 concert series will be held at the Auburn Village School. The AVS cafeteria will be transformed into a "70's" style coffee house" offering free refreshments, raffles and plenty of good music. Hippy costumes are not required but you may win a prize if you do want to celebrate that "old hippy" that lurks inside. Come and cheer on assistant principal Michele O'Rourke as she makes an appearance playing with the band. Great family fun for all!



The Parks and Recreation Committee currently has an opening for an alternate commissioner. If you are interested in participating in the decision making process for your Parks and Recreation department please contact Helen Hiltz at auburnnhrecdept@aol.com, any Commission member or contact Mr. Bill Herman. The Commission is interested in attracting members of the community who are willing to volunteer to be part of the planning process and the execution of all of our events and bring new ideas to the table.

We continue to highlight the "behind the scenes" efforts of one of our community members. These people go above and beyond to serve our community. Their efforts often go unnoticed. Next time you see them, please say "thank-you" for your service. This month I would like to thank Mr. Armand Miclette for going above and beyond the call of duty. Armand not only keeps the parks in town safe and clean as our facilities maintenance supervisor but he also runs the senior trip program each year. The bus trips are a big hit and take our seniors anywhere from viewing the foliage aboard the scenic railroad to enjoying a Boston Harbor cruise. Armand always schedules a wonderful lunch as part of the trip as well. Next time you see Armand, don't forget to say "thank-you".

Longmeadow Church Breakfasts



Come and join us for our breakfasts in November on Nov. 7th and 21st, 6:30 - 10:00 am. In Dec. the breakfast will only be on Dec. 19th as the Snowflake Fair will be on the first Sat, Dec 5th. Following breakfasts for the year will be the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of the month. 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?

We look forward to seeing you again and again and again. Happy Thanksgiving!

Massabesic Seniors

by Pat Clement

The Massabesic Seniors once again had a busy month. In addition to regular meetings we had a visit from Fire Fighters James Saulnier and Patrick Glennon during Fire Prevention Week. They answered our questions, passed out pamphlets to share with our families and played *Safety Jeopardy*. The questions and answers in the game gave us more information and was won by team *Five Lovely Ladies*, Gladys, Chris, Doris, Elaine and Denise. Good work ladies! I'm sure that if anyone missed the meeting and would like more information on fire safety for seniors they could call Captain Saulnier at the AVFD.



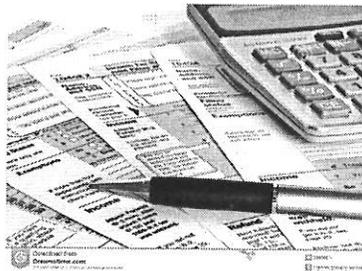
Sixteen of us met at Applebee's in Hooksett for our fall get-together. The food and companionship were great, as usual. We celebrated Mary Latuch's birthday there. We also want to say happy birthday to June Celli, Elaine Marciniak and Denise Henri.

We're sending our thoughts and prayers to Walter Manley who is in the hospital.

Thought of the month: "As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them." John F. Kennedy

Have a wonderful Thanksgiving.

News from Auburn Dollars for Scholars



Attention College Bound Students and Parents

Mark your calendars!!!

The New Hampshire Higher Education Assistance Foundation (NHHEAF)
Will present a Financial Aid Information evening at the Griffin Free Public Library
Monday November 30th @ 6 PM

This program helps families navigate through the financial aid process.

This is a free service for all New Hampshire residents.

No registration is required.

Hope to see you there!

Mary Hrubiec, President

Auburn.dollarsforscholars.org

Safety Complex Giving Tree

by Melissa Gates

Dear Auburn residents,

Would you like to help my elves this year? Feel free to take an ornament off the Christmas tree in the Auburn Safety Complex lobby. The ornament will have a name, age, and gift or gift suggestion for someone who is in need of a little assistance this year. Help make the Christmas wish come true by purchasing the gift. Then return the gift, unwrapped with the ornament to the Auburn Safety Complex by December 14th.

The Safety Complex will ensure your item is delivered by my elves and I to families in time for Christmas.

Don't have time to shop, or not sure you can commit to a specific item? Don't fret my little helper elves. The safety complex is willing to take donations to do the shopping for you. Or I can always use extra wrapping paper, tape, and ribbons... After all, gifts can't be unwrapped under the tree.

Thank you

Merry Christmas to all, and to all a good night.

Santa



Police Department

by Melissa Gates

The fall weather is officially here! A/C units are out of windows, and summer clothes have been packed away, out have come warm sweaters, boots and gloves. With the fall weather and changing of the leaves, there are beautiful colors around town, but with the changing colors also comes falling leaves on roads. Hazards we don't think about in the summer. Here are some tips to help you have a safe Autumn season:



When people think of slippery roads, it's usually related to snow and ice, but with falling leaves and fluctuating temperatures there are just as many. When leaves accumulate on the road and become wet, they can get extremely slippery, making the driving conditions similar to driving on ice. Leaves reduce a car's traction, causing skidding and the possibility of losing control of the vehicle.

- Slow down if you are driving on a road covered with leaves, especially when driving around turns.
- Allow yourself plenty of room to stop in an emergency. Keep a greater distance between you and the car in front of you.
- Leaves make it difficult to see potholes and bumps in the road.
- A pile of leaves raked to the side of the road is an inviting place to a child. Children enjoy jumping into the leaf piles or burrowing down into them and hiding. Never drive through a leaf pile.
- Keep your windshield leaf free to avoid wet leaves getting stuck under the wiper blades.
- Autumn is a damp, wet season usually. There are many rainy or foggy days and nights, and as the temperature drops we end up with frost on the ground and roads.
- When driving in fog, set your headlight to low beam. This setting aims the beam of light down toward the roadway.
- Frost often forms on the road, causing hazardous driving conditions. Drive slowly and break gently at overpasses and bridges as these areas frost over more quickly than other roadway surfaces.
- We also now have fewer hours of daylight.
- Watch out for children at their bus stops in the morning and as they return home in the afternoon.
- Keep an emergency car safety kit in your vehicle.
- Always keep a pair of sunglasses in your vehicle. Fall sunrises and sunsets can be very brilliant. The bright sun often creates a large amount of glare, making it difficult to see other vehicles, the roadway or the road's shoulder. Wearing sunglasses during these times reduces the danger.
- We live in areas where there is wildlife, keep in mind they are more apt to run into the roadway especially at dawn and dusk since the fall is an active breeding time. If you see an animal cross the roadway, proceed very slowly as they often travel in groups.

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Griffin Free Public Library

by Nancy Mayland, Trustee



As many of you know, our Director, Ricky Sirois, had accepted a position with another library. The Board of Trustees and the staff wish him well in his new endeavors. The Board is in the process of searching for his successor who will continue with the improvements made in the last 3 years. Watch for further news next month.

Even though we are between directors, the staff is still busy ordering the latest books, DVDs and audio books. Did you know that we receive nearly 100 every month! If you'd like to get weekly email updates, you can sign up at Wow-brary.org. - easy-peasy!

In September, the library welcomed two new staff members in; Dan Szczney and Chris Chickering. Dan is a writer and journalist, specializing in outdoor travel and adventure writing. He will be working at the circulation desk, so be sure to stop in and say 'hi'. Chris has her Master of Library Science degree and will handle cataloging new books for the library.

National Game and Puzzle Week is falling on the week of Thanksgiving - and it's not an accident. What better time to gather with friends and family to have some fun and share laughs over a game than after you've finished off the pumpkin pie? If everyone is looking for something to do, the library can help you to be prepared. During November, we will have puzzles and board games available to be checked out.

November events:

- Tues, Nov. 3 at 11 am; Infant/toddler story time
- Thurs, Nov 5; Deadline for ordering Van Otis candy for Thanksgiving delivery. Order forms are at the library.
- Sat, Nov 7 at 1 pm; Adult coloring session - come color your stress away. Materials will be provided or bring your own.
- Thurs, Nov 12 at 7 pm; Representative from the YWCA speaking on Domestic Violence
- Sat, Nov 14 at 11 am; Children's story time "Now you see me, now you don't"; staying healthy through the cold season.
- Tues, Nov 17 at 11 am; Infant/toddler story time.
- Wed, Nov 18 at 6:30 pm; Children's story time: "Let's talk Turkey".
- Mon, Nov 30 at 6 pm; New Hampshire Higher Education Assistance Foundation; financial aid presentation for college bound students and parents.

Upcoming December events:

- One-stroke brush painting - watch for the date
- Sat, Dec 12 at 8 am; Breakfast with Santa

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Longmeadow Congregational Church

by Rev. Ruth Gallot

4 Wilson's Crossing Rd



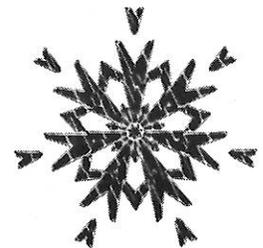
Longmeadow Serves!

The leaves are changing colors and the weather is turning colder, and as we head into Thanksgiving and the Holy Season of Advent this month we would love to have you join us at the Longmeadow Congregational Church, United Church of Christ, 4 Wilson's Crossing Road in Auburn. Join us as together we worship on Sunday mornings at 9:30 with Christian Education and child care provided at the same time.

Thanksgiving Basket Ingathering: Each year we collect non-perishable food to provide to local families (referrals are received from the Town Welfare Officer and local food pantry) and have received additional generous donations from the families of Tiny Tots Pre-School and residents of the Wethersfield neighborhood. We invite you to assist your neighbors in need, by joining in this project. **Our greatest need is for donations of grocery store gift cards in denominations of not more than \$25 each (makes distribution easier for different sized families) to allow families to purchase perishable foods for their holiday meals. Gift cards in smaller amounts are very welcome, just not more than \$25. Contact Pastor Ruth for more information.**

Advent Begins: On Sunday, November 29th, we will enter the great season of waiting called Advent with our annual **Greening of the Church** service in which our young people lead us in adorning our sanctuary and explain the meaning behind the different liturgical and decorative elements. It is a festive event and we welcome all who would like to take a break from the commercialization and to start the season in a less hectic and more centered way.

Snowflake Fair: Another way to decrease the stress of the season is to do a little shopping in your own home town, chat with your neighbors and enjoy the many handmade crafts and edibles of an old fashioned Christmas. Mark your calendar for **Saturday, December 5th** for this wonderful annual event.

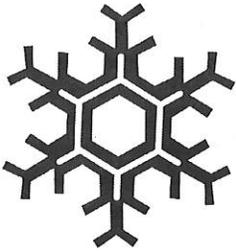


Café Church: Are Sunday mornings a difficult time for your family's schedule? Have you been away from church... or have never been to church... but find yourself seeking? Then Café Church may be for you. Once a month (this month it will be **Monday, November 16th**) we will gather in the Fellowship Hall of the church at 6:00 for a light meal and time of interactive worship. No reservations are required, come as you are.

Community Office Hours: Pastor Ruth holds office hours out in the community on Wednesdays from 11-1:00. No appointments are necessary, just come out and join her for lunch and a chat. In November, she will be at Turnpike Pizza. The location may change throughout the year, please see our Facebook page for location or call the church office.

We of the Longmeadow Congregational Church, UCC seek to provide a spiritual home where all faith questions are honored and respected. No matter where you are on your spiritual journey, you are welcome here. If you are seeking a place to worship, we invite you to join us as we listen to the God who is Still Speaking as we seek to follow. If you have any questions, please contact our Pastor, Rev. Ruth Gallot at 483-2907. Friend us on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/groups/Longmeadow/>

SNOWFLAKE FAIR - DECEMBER 5, 2016



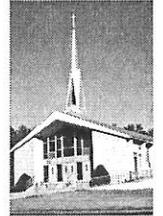
The Annual Snowflake Fair will be held on the first Saturday in December - closer than we all think it is! The hours of the Ladies Circle's traditional church fair are 8:30 am to 2:00 pm. Included in the Fair are booths for plants, a cookie walk, baked goods, candy, crafts, a silent auction, and attic treasures. There will be an opportunity for pictures with Santa - ready to take home with you. Also popular is our children's shopping room - no tall people allowed! A child can purchase and then have their gift wrapped. Our snack bar will have the ladies traditional chili and corn chowder for lunch with snacks available all day.

Please come - see your friends and enjoy the fun for all! Any questions, please call the church at 483-2907 and leave a message. See you there!!!

St. Peter Roman Catholic Church

www.stpeteraub.org

567 Manchester Road



Our weekend Mass schedule: Saturday: 4:00 pm; Sunday: 8:00 am and 10:30 am. Confessions are heard on Saturdays from 3:00-3:30 pm, or by appointment.

Our Thanksgiving Mass is Thursday, November 26 at 9:00 am.

The First Sunday of Advent is November 29.

Fr. Michael E. Gendron, Pastor, can be reached at 623-5429, Ext. 1, or e-mail: frmichaelgendron@comcast.net.

The parish office e-mail is stpeteraub@comcast.net. Michelle Paul can be reached at 623-5429, Ext. 2.

Kayla Hawkins, Director of Religious Education/Youth Minister can be reached at 623-5429, Ext. 3 or dre.st.peter@gmail.com.

Mary Stevens, Religious Education Secretary, can be reached at 623-5429, Ext. 4.

Visit our parish website at www.stpeteraub.org to keep current on what's happening at the parish!

Interested in learning more about the Catholic Church?

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



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AUBURN'S LOCAL LANDSCAPING SOLUTION

Spotlight on Webelos II Scouts

by Gilbert Oriol

Webelos 2 is the continuation of an 18-month transition program from Cub Scouts to Boy Scouts (Webelos stands for We'll Be Loyal Scouts). During these two years, the Webelos Scouts can earn two badges of rank and 20 activity badges. The two ranks are the Webelos badge and the Arrow of Light award. The Arrow of Light award is the highest award available to Cub Scouts. It requires the Scout to have earned the *Webelos* Scout badge and eight activity badges. Den 3, from Pack 127, are Webelos 2. These boys are 5th Graders and are the highest rank of Cub Scouts. The boys are currently working on their Outdoorsman and Sportsman Activity Badges. They all hope to receive their Arrow of Light award at the Blue and Gold Ceremony in February 2016. If they choose to do so, the boys will also be able to continue their scouting adventure by bridging over into Boy Scouts.

The below boys from Den 3 were asked: What is your favorite thing you have done/learned as Cub Scouts?

Austin H.: *Fishing is so much fun and I want to do more of it. Other things I like are building a fire and whittling.*

Ben H.: *I've enjoyed Outdoorsman and Survival stuff. Things such as building fires and making shelters are my favorite.*

Ben W.: *I liked Camp Carpenter, camping out, slushies and Scout stuff. I like that each meeting is unique in its own way.*

Esteban O.: *I've had a lot of fun at Camp Carpenter overnight camp for four years, the counselors are the best. The den meetings are great because we learn different things.*

Harry V.: *I really liked Outdoorsman and learning how to build a fire. I also like setting up camp and being outdoors.*

Jonathan E.: *I enjoyed learning about being a helpful part of a community and how to set goals to earn badges.*

Matthew M.: *I had fun building the marshmallow catapult and launching them. I also liked the physical fitness training we did.*

Ryan G.: *My favorite thing to do is making and learning about fire because I like making fires. I like learning about it because if I was in the forest with nothing, now I know how to make a fire.*

Thomas: *I've liked doing Outdoorsman and learning how to use different materials to build shelters. And, of course, I really like Sportsman.*

Upcoming Cub Scout events include:

November 14, Saturday Distribute Scouting for Food flyers

November 20, Friday, 7-8 PM Pack Meeting, AVS Gym

November 21, Saturday Scouting for Food pick-up day

November 26, Thanksgiving Day Water Stop: Fisher Cats

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

* <http://www.nhscouting.org/activities/scouting-for-food/11519>

Cub Scouts Pack 127

by Jocelyn Malenchini

The fall and cooler weather bring more learning opportunities, community service and fun adventures to the Cub Scouts. In late September, Scouts camped out for our annual overnight at Camp Carpenter. While there, Webelos Den 2 Scouts cooked a healthy camp dinner for themselves and others that they had planned and shopped for themselves! Good going, Webelos!



In other news, popcorn sales are drawing to a close. If you have ordered popcorn from your neighborhood Scout, thank you, so much, for your support! Popcorn is scheduled to arrive on November 13th, and will be distributed by your local Scout shortly thereafter.

Scouting for Food

As Scouts, we pledge "to help other people at all times". As the weather cools off, our thoughts might turn to those around us who might need a helping hand in this colder, leaner season. It has been reported that children make up one-third of the people served by food banks, and nearly one-quarter of people in soup kitchen lines.

Each year, the "Scouting for Food" effort benefits more than 150 pantries, kitchens and closets throughout the state. On November 14th, Auburn's Scouts will deliver "Scouting for Food" door hangers to residences throughout the town. On the following Saturday, November 21st, Scouts will return to those same residences to retrieve any bags or boxes of non-perishable food items that have been generously donated. **Please leave your donations by the base of your mailbox by 8:30 AM on Saturday, November 21stth.** Thank you, in advance, for your support in this important community service project.

Most Needed Items*

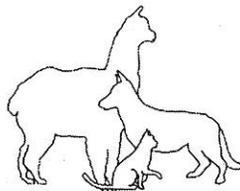
Non-perishable food and hygiene items (no glass, please)

- Canned protein (tuna, chicken, peanut butter)
- Soups
- 100% fruit juice
- Grains (pasta, rice, macaroni & cheese)
- Canned vegetables and fruits
- Condiments
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Girl Scouts

by Stacey Melendy



First year Cadette Troop 10518 have started the year planning their own meetings. All of the girls in the troop will take a turn in each of the roles such as leading the opening/closing, teaching an activity or badge, and being the voice for reminders, etc. During October meetings, the girls worked on teaching each other about the Special Agent badge and Eating for Beauty badge.

We would like to say "Thank You" to all the local families who supported the Girl Scout Fall Product Sale. This sale helps generate troop funds that are used for the badges and activities we work on all year. Nuts and candy orders will be available for delivery after 11/14.

For more information on joining girl Scouts, or how you can volunteer please visit our website at www.girlscoutsgwm.org or contact Rebecca Roy Northboundroys@gmail.com

Updating Auburn Residents on AVS Planning

The Auburn Village School (AVS) was originally built in the 1940s and has had no significant improvements completed in the past 25 years. Temporary solutions, including portables and modular classrooms, have been made but were never intended to be permanent or lasting structures. These "add-ons" have been the cause of constant and expensive repairs, and present safety and security concerns for our school community.

The Master Planning Committee, established by the School Board, is in the process of creating a proposed plan and budget to address what are considered to be crucial existing items, in addition to projected needs of AVS. Bonnet Page Stone has been selected to work with the HL Turner Group to develop the scope and budget of the plan with anticipation of a warrant article being presented to the voters in March of 2016.

It's important for all Auburn residents to participate in the conversation on this initiative. Whether you have kids in school or not, we ask that you join the conversation and learn the facts regarding the current condition of the building and information regarding the renovation project.

There are several ways you can become part of the conversation:

- follow the AVS ROC Facebook page for information and updates: <https://www.facebook.com/avsroc>
- email any questions you would like to have addressed at future informational sessions: avsrenovation@gmail.com
- attend an AVS ROC meeting - third Monday of every month, 5 PM, AVS (check out the AVS calendar for updates and specific location <http://auburn.sau15.net/>)
- attend a presentation and facilities tour on **Saturday, January 9th** from 8:30- 10:30 AM; continental breakfast will be served (snow date will be the following Saturday)

Please join in the conversation about the future of AVS.

The AVS Renovation Outreach Committee (ROC)

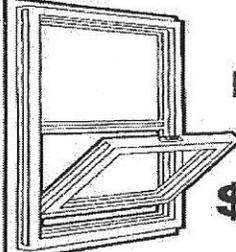
Our Mission: *To optimize a welcoming and safe facility that provides quality instruction as well as a functional community resource. Dedicated to renovating AVS in a responsible, cost effective manner while achieving high standards of teaching and learning.*



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6 Auburn Girls Donate Over \$4,700.00 In Proceeds from Father Daughter Dance

The Auburn Father Daughter Dance has quickly become a favorite community event in just five short years. Residents will say it's not only because of the guaranteed great evening for daughters and dads, but because they know proceeds raised are donated back to the Auburn community. Over the summer, the five 6th grade girls divvied up over \$4,700.00 to Auburn neighbors and organizations.

First, the girls decided to donate to at-risk Auburn families in the form of "Sunshine Baskets." *(picture attached)* The idea was to target those students with reduced lunch qualifications during the school year as these families may find trouble making ends meet during the summer months when no reduced lunch is available. The girls worked together to brainstorm basket items, shop for contents and then pack donated bags. Valued at \$175, each Sunshine Basket included a \$100.00 restricted gift card to Hannaford Supermarkets as well as various household staples and supplies. The finished Sunshine Baskets were delivered to Auburn Village School administration who confidentially provided the Sunshine Baskets to these families.

Second, an anonymous tip alerted the girls that the Auburn Dollars for Scholars program was recently notified that they had almost \$500.00 in unexpected administrative fees. Without the funds to cover these fees, this important community organization was facing an uncertain future. Since this program provides financial assistance and critical guidance to those Auburn residents seeking higher learning, the girls voted to donate part of their proceeds to preserving this locally based program. *(picture attached)*

Finally, the girls discussed a 2014 Auburn Village School graduate who was recently diagnosed with cancer. Although he is back at home and attending Pinkerton this fall, this student's treatment regimen still includes months of road trips to Boston, which also adds up to extensive expenses for the family. The girls unanimously voted to donate the remainder of their Father Daughter Dance proceeds to this family, which amounted to over \$2,200.00. *(picture attached)*

About the Auburn Father Daughter Dance

Started in 2011, the Auburn Father Daughter Dance is planned exclusively by a small group of Auburn Village School students who have an interest in community service. Each year, this group of students plan each detail of the dance, including promotion, activities, and charitable recipients of proceeds. Beyond learning invaluable project management, interpersonal and communication skills, these planning committee members earn an insider's view of their community and a deeper understanding of those in need of assistance. Learn more at <http://auburnfdd.com/>.



Finished Sunshine Baskets! From L to R: Sydney Pelletier, Kylie Peabody, Lexa Galler, Madeline Frank, Royce D'Amelio; not pictured: Grayson Tellier



The Father Daughter Dance Planning Committee presents checks to Auburn Dollars for Scholars and the Dobmeier Family at Auburn Day on 9/12/15. From L to R:

Grayson Tellier, Sydney Pelletier, Royce D'Amelio, Mike Dobmeier, Kylie Peabody, Mary Hrubiec, Madeline

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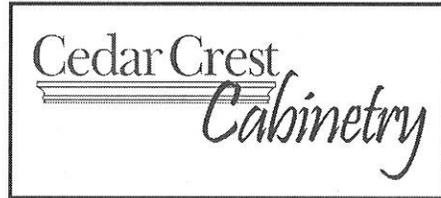
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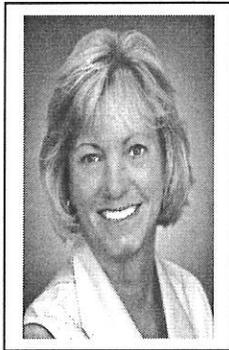


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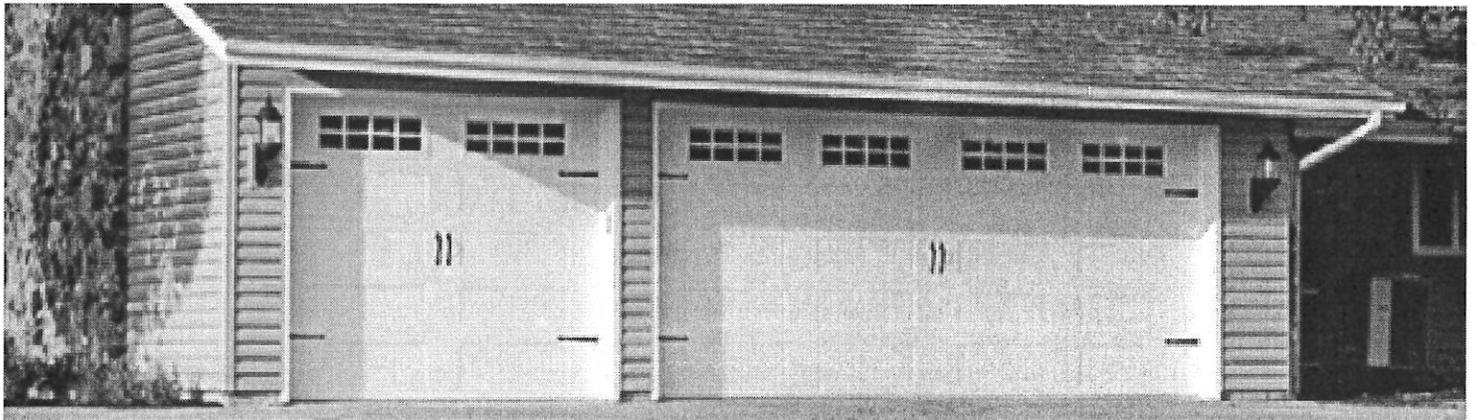
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