

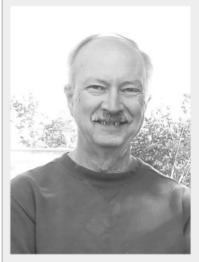
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Auburn Historical Association

GET TO KNOW YOUR HOUSE AND PROPERTY Special program: Saturday, January 19 at 1 p.m. Location: AHA Meeting Room at 102 Hooksett Road



Have you ever wondered about your land and how was it used in past generations? Are you curious about how and when your property was subdivided over the years? Maybe you'd like to learn more about your house, when it was built or learn about who lived in your house a hundred years ago. Did you know that that the answers to many of your questions are within your reach. Actually, the answers are probably as close as your own computer.

Join us on Saturday, January 19 at 1 p.m. for a deed research presentation with Auburn Historical Association's own Jim Thompson. Jim will be in the AHA's Meeting Room and this interactive presentation will teach people how to use the internet to learn more about their own homes and property. The session will last about an hour and people are encouraged to bring their laptops along.

UPCOMING OPEN HOUSES

Saturday, January 19 Saturday, February 16 Saturday, March 16

REMEMBERING RENA

We would like to extend our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Rena Dubois. Rena, a longtime supporter and friend of the AHA, passed away on December 10, 2018 at the age of 90.



Open houses happen on the third Saturday of each month from 1-4 p.m. at the Historical Associaton's Museum at 102 Hookset Road. Everyone is always invited to attend.

CONNECT WITH US!

Website: auburnhistorical.org Facebook: AuburnHistoricalAssociation Rena was a beloved member of the Auburn community and will be deeply missed. Rena, and her sister Venita Cleary of Auburn, always attended AHA programs together and graciously watered the outdoor flowers at the museum. We will forever remember Rena for her warm smile and generous heart.

MAKE 2019 THE YEAR THAT YOU GET INVOLVED

The town of Auburn is a wonderful and close-knit community and we invite you to join us to learn more about the fascinating places, people and businesses that have shaped our town.

We hope that you and your family will consider joining the Auburn Historical Association at one of its many open houses, special programs or signature events in 2019. We always welcome volunteers at our events and hope to see you soon.

2019 Plant Sale Saturday, May 11 2019 Auburn Day & Duck Race Saturday, September 7





Auburn Town Hall News

Looking Forward to 2019

As we look forward to the coming year and beyond, the Board of Selectmen took time at the end of December to participate in a facilitated workshop meeting focused on taking stock on progress made during the past year and to identify goals the Board has for the Town during the coming year.

The Board held similar goal setting meetings in 2017 and 2018, and have found it to be helpful to just discuss what might be possible for the coming year.

In the February edition of The Crier, we will be able to publish what main goals were identified by the Board for 2019.

Mary Royer Appointed to Parks

The Board has appointed Mary Royer to fill the vacant position on the Parks and Recreation Commission. Mary's term on the Commission will run through March 2021.

Important Date!!

Deliberative Session is being held on 2/2/19 9AM

FY 2019 Budget Near to Completion

The Board of Selectmen is near to completing its work on the FY 2019 Town operating budget and warrant articles which should total approximately \$5,600,000. As we write this article, the Board's overall spending proposals are coming in at approximately \$50,000 more than the budget and warrant articles approved by the voters in March 2018.

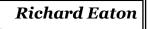
The Board's budget effort is only a part of the Town budgeting process. The Budget Committee is still working on the Town and School budgets, and will complete their work by the January 10, 2019 public hearing on the budgets they will propose to the voters.

Save the Date

As we look ahead, the annual Deliberative Sessions of Town Meeting and the School District Meeting will be held on the same date, one after the other. The meetings will be held on Saturday, February 2nd beginning at 9 AM at the Auburn Village School, with a snow date of Saturday, February 10th.

The Town Deliberative Session will be held first, followed by the School District Deliberative Session.





Keith Leclair

Auburn Board of Selectmen

News from Auburn Dollars for Scholars

SAVE THE DATE!

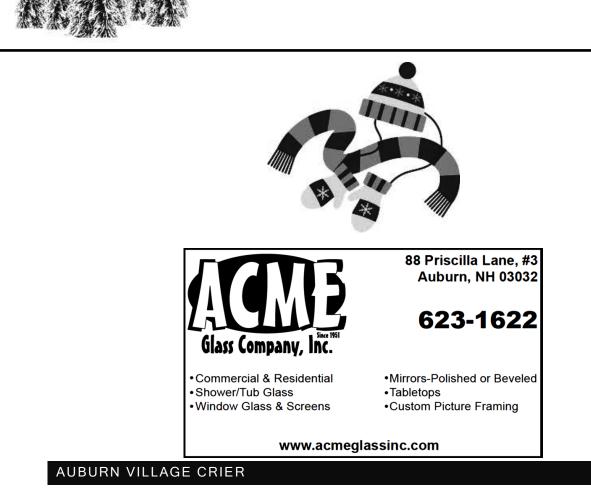


Scholarships open February 1, 2019

All of our scholarships are available to Auburn residents who are currently attending or are planning on attending a post-secondary school for the 2018-2019 academic year.

Students should begin gathering the information they will need to complete their application. Visit or web site for more information: auburn.dollarsforscholars.org

> Feel free to contact us with any questions you may have. Good Luck Mary Hrubiec. President



2019 NOTICE FROM THE TOWN CLERK AND SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK

The following positions will be up for election at the Town and School District Voting to be held on **Tuesday, March 12, 2019**. The filing period runs from **January 23, 2019 – February 1, 2019**. You may file for any of these positions at the Town Clerk's Office during regular business hours. The Town Clerk's Office will remain open for filings until 5:00pm on Friday, February 1, 2019.

OFFICE	INCUMBENT
SELECT BOARD MEMBER – 3 YEARS	JAMES F. HEADD
LIBRARY TRUSTEE – 3 YEARS	ELIZABETH MICHAUD
CEMETERY TRUSTEE – 3 YEARS	SCOTT R. NORRIS
TRUSTEE OF THE TRUST FUNDS – 3 YEARS	PATRICIA ALLARD
POLICE COMMISSION – 3 YEARS	DENNIS G. MCCARTHY
PLANNING BOARD – 3 YEARS	MICHAEL ROLFE
SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER – 3 YEARS	ALAN VILLENEUVE
SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER – 3 YEARS	SAMANTHA BELCOURT

Change of day for School District Deliberative Session

***The Deliberative Session of the Annual Town Meeting, *followed by* the School District Deliberative Session will *both* be held **Saturday, February 2, 2019 starting at 9:00 AM** at the Auburn Village School, with a snow date of Saturday, February 9, 2019.







2019 BOAT DECALS ARE AVAILABLE!

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

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

Monday 10:00 AM - 7:00 PM

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

Friday 8:00 AM – 12:00 Noon

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





AVS School Improvement News

Happy New Year and hope you all had a nice holiday filled with friends and family. The 2019 new year is a significant one for Auburn Village School, one in which the construction and renovation project will come to a close and our students and educators will be learning and working in a building designed for a 21st century education. Before we get there though, there's still a lot of work to do, so a quick update on where we are with the project and a preview into what's on deck the rest of the winter and early spring. Yes, we're already planning for spring!

New Classroom Wing – Steel is Flying! The new classroom wing is framed and our construction company is focused on decking, drainage, and wrapping in order to get heat in the structure and begin working on the inside. The crew has had a challenging fall with record rain and snow and have spent much time pumping water from the work area. We are currently on track to open the new wing for the 2019-2020 school year.

Temporary Access Road – The temporary access road going behind the Safety Complex and entering the rear of the school property has been cleared. As we reported in previous updates, the road will be used by the various trades (plumbing, electrical, painting, glass, doors, etc.) to gain access to the building and keep as many construction vehicles as possible out of the rear parking lot of the school.

Renovation Planning – The renovation of the school is going to be the most challenging part of the project due to the short summer window available to do the work. We've begun discussing the logistics involved in clearing the administration area, classrooms, kitchen and cafeteria, and other space targeted for renovation in time for as much work as possible to be conducted in the 8-10-week summer timeframe. Adding to the challenge is the reality that much still happens at AVS through the summer – our administration is still working and AVS, PTA & Parks & Recreation summer programming is in full swing. Discussions will continue, and the Building Committee will provide ongoing updates through the Crier and other school and community communication outlets.

The Building Committee comprised of AVS and SAU 15 leadership, town officials, construction management and architecture companies, and School Board members continues to meet each week to discuss the progress of the project, review designs and vendor bids, and address any day-to-day needs of the school. As we bid 2018 farewell and look forward to 2019, the School Board members on the Committee would like to thank other Committee members for their hard work balancing the demands of the project and the need to ensure teaching and learning is happening each day. Auburn is lucky to have such a dedicated group of people focused on both.

All the best in the New Year!



Auburn Village School

2019 - 2020 Kindergarten & Grade 1 Registration

KINDERGARTEN: All children living in Auburn who will be five years old on or before September 30th, 2019 are eligible to enter kindergarten in the fall of 2019. Registration packets will be available at the main office beginning Monday, January 14th. Completed registration information packets are due in the main office by Friday, January 31st. There will be a kindergarten parent information meeting that will be held in the spring.

NEW FIRST GRADERS TO AVS: All children living in Auburn who will be six years old on or before September 30th, 2019 are eligible to enter first grade in the fall of 2019. Registration packets will be available at the main office beginning Monday, January 14th. Completed registration information packets are due in the main office by Friday, January 31st. The students will be given a vision and hearing screening as well as a phonemic awareness assessment to help determine reading

readiness skills. Screening will be held in May.

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 - **Recreational Vehicles**
- Motorcycle

- Umbrella
- Tenant Occupied
- Vacant Homes
 - Business





Tonya Smith, CISR AVS graduate and Auburn resident

Knowledge you can trust, people you can rely on!

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BOY SCOUTS TROOP 127

2019 is going to be a great year as Troop 127 will be excitedly welcoming the new scouts to our troop this year! Every year the webelos crossover to boy scouts after getting the arrow of light.

Activities: The boy scouts have been learning about electrical engineering this month! We have been making circuit boards. We also have other fun activities and learning opportunities for the new year.

Giving thanks: The Troop would like to thank the Auburn community for their kindness and support in the activities of the troop this year and prior. The scouts plan on continuing to support Auburn for years to come.

22 mile bike ride: The Boys participated in a great task this year, biking 22 miles in one session. They started small, adding miles by the twos and threes but they soon met their goal of 22 miles in October. Thanks to everyone who participated in this momentous task!

Fundraisers: We are planning on selling travel mugs for our next fundraiser! Watch the Auburn Community Group on Facebook and future Crier articles for upcoming fundraising activities that we are planning for winter and early spring.

Save the Dates: We will once again be collecting

Christmas trees on the two Saturdays after the holidays (January 5th and 12th) and delivering them to the Safety Complex for the bonfire. If you are interested, please email Shirley at <u>cap-</u> <u>s@comcast.net</u>.

By: Benjamin Wallin, Troop Scribe



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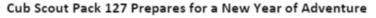
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Happy New Year from Cub Scout Pack 127! The Pack ended 2018 with a holiday themed Pack Meeting all about kindness, Christmas songs, and a special musical performance from the "Black Knights" – our 5th grade den. The boys and girls of Pack 127 continue to grow in their scouting skills and friendships.



"Good Knights" of Auburn. The Tigers (1st Grade) have

been busy finishing up the requirements for their Tiger Badge. The "Good Knights" adventure compared the cub scouts to the knights of long ago, and the boys had lots of fun creating knight shields that represented the values of scouting.

Meet Your Local Numismatists. The Wolf Scouts (2nd Grade) have become numismatists- a person who studies coins and money. They learned how to identify different parts of a coin, how to find the mint mark on a coin, and created a balance scale to compare weights of coins.

Want to Build a Hedgehog? Learning to work with wood to create fun and useful items is a good skill for anyone to have. Our Bear Scouts (3rd Grade) have been learning about the safe and proper use of hand tools, how to determine the correct type of wood for a project, and how to construct an item – a wooden hedgehog.

Cast Iron Chef Challenge. It can be difficult to picture our 4th graders being ready to handle campfire cooking. The thought of them starting fires can be a bit daunting, but our Webelos stepped up to the challenge. They learned about starting fires, cooking, food safety, nutrition and even on making and sticking with a budget. They even made a special dinner for their families!

Preparing to Bridge. The Webelo 2 Scouts (5th Grade) are in the home stretch of their Cub Scout journey. They have been busy finishing up the last of their requirements to earn Arrow of Light, the highest rank in Cub Scouts, before becoming Scouts. You've got this Ryan, Colby, Mikey, Will, and Olivia!







Winter Carnival/Burning of the Trees

The Parks and Recreation Department and the Fire Department will once again be sponsoring the Annual Winter Carnival. This event will be held on Saturday, February 9, 2018 at the Skating Rink at the Safety Complex from 4:00 pm – 7:00 pm.

The Winter Carnival will include open skate time with a DJ, the annual burning of the Christmas Trees, roasting marshmallows as well as hamburgers, hotdogs and hot chocolate. Please keep in mind that this event is dependent on the weather. As we get closer to the day, we will post any updates or changes on our Facebook page (@AuburnNHParksandRec) and on the website (AuburnNH.us/parks-and-recreation)

Christmas Tree Drop off

The Fire Department is accepting Christmas Trees for the Burning of the Trees. You can drop them off at the Safety Complex after Christmas. Please only leave trees in the marked location. Or, to make it easy for you, the Boy Scout Troop 127 will pick up your Christmas Tree for a \$10 donation. For more information or to sign up for this service, Shirley Panzieri at cap-s@comcast.net or 483-0172.

Camp Adventure 2019

It may seem early but registration is open for the Parks and Rec's Camp Adventure for summer of 2019. This camp, for students entering grades 5-8, will run for only one week... it's a week full of fun adventures. We will meet at the Safety Complex in the morning, hop on the bus and head to the beach, lake and even the water park. Our favorite counselors, Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Cohen, Mr. DeGraffe and Mr. Howell, are returning for second year. Everyone had a great time last year and this year will be even better.

All the details and registration form are on the following page. We do expect this camp to sell out this year so please register early to guarantee your spot. If you have any questions, please contact the recreation department.

Auburn Teen Council

The next meeting of the Auburn Teen Council is Monday, January 7th at 6:30 pm at the AVS Cafeteria. The Teen Council is for Auburn students age 13-17. We will plan events and programs for Auburn teens as well as volunteer at local events. It's a great opportunity for students to get involved in the community while developing leadership and event planning skills. New members are welcome.

Welcome to New Commissioner

We are pleased to announce that Mary Royer was recently appointed to the Parks and Recreation Commission. Mary has always been involved in Parks and Rec events as a volunteer and a participant and will be a great addition to the group. Welcome Mary!





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CAMP ADVENTURE

This summer, for one week only, the Parks and Recreation Department is offering a full day summer camp that will travel to fun destination throughout the state. We will hit the beach, lakes, waterpark and other locations full of fun. Last summer was a blast and we are excited for 2019. Space is limited so register today.



Camp Dates: Monday, July 29 through Friday, August 2, 2019
Camp Hours: Meeting at the Safety Complex at 8:30 am and returning at 4:30 pm
Ages: For students entering grades 5-8 in the 2019-2020 school year.
Fee: \$279 for the week (full payment is due at the time of registration) Scholarships are available. Contact Parks and Rec for information.
Staff: This camp will be lead by 4 of the most fun staff from AVS!!

Camp Adventure Registration

Parent's Name:	
Email:	
Phone Number:	
Camper's Name:	grade (2019-2020 school year):

This form, along with payment, can be returned to the Parks & Recreation at PO Box 309, Auburn, NH 03032 or dropped off at the Town Hall. Checks are made payable to the Town of Auburn



If you have any questions, please call the Parks and Rec at 483-5052 x101 or email recreation@townofauburnNH.com

This camp is NOT a school sponsored event

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Kathy Growney, Library Director (603) 483-5374 director@griffinfree.org www.griffinfree.org



Programming Highlight

Chef Liz Barbour is back with a new program, *Feasting From Your Instant Pot*. The instant pot craze is here, are you onboard? For many of us, the instant pot is patiently waiting to be used. Whether yours is tucked away in a cupboard or still in the box, it is time to take it out and put it to use. Join us for a cooking class that will help take the mystery out of this amazing, time saving kitchen tool.

Liz will demonstrate two recipes that you can recreate at home. Following her demonstration Liz will offer tasty samples for everyone to enjoy. This discussion and cooking demonstration will be held on **Wednesday, January 23 at 6:30 PM** at Griffin Free. Registration is required for this event.

Collection Highlight

Starting the first week in January, the popular **on-demand film streaming** service **Kanopy** will be available for free at Griffin Free Public Library. Library cardholders can access Kanopy and sign up to start streaming films instantly by visiting https://griffinfree.org/. Films can be streamed from any computer, television, mobile device or platform by downloading the Kanopy app for iOS, Android, AppleTV, Chromecast or Roku.

With the motto of "thoughtful entertainment," Kanopy provides Griffin Free patrons with access to films of unique social and cultural value; films that are often difficult or impossible to access elsewhere, and programming that features diversity, with a wide array of foreign language films and films on race, and current affairs. **THANK YOU** to the Friends of Griffin Free for sponsoring this service!

Upcoming Programming for Children:

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

STEM on Saturday Sat., Jan. 5 @ 1:00 PM

Storytime: Decorate Your Mittens Sat., Jan. 12 @ 11:00 AM

Storytime: Do you want to build a Snowman? Sat., Jan. 26 @ 11:00 AM

STEM on Saturday Sat., Feb. 2 @ 1:00 PM



Upcoming Programming for Adults:

Knitting / Crochet EVERY Friday, 10:30 AM – Noon

Evening Book Club No January Meeting. Next meeting will be Feb. 6 @ 6:30 PM

Day Book Club Wed., Jan. 9 @ 1:15 PM

Feasting From Your Instant Pot REGISTRATION REQUIRED Wed., Jan. 23 @ 6:30 PM



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SANTA WAS IN THE HOUSE!

Our 2018 Santa Breakfast was a success thanks to so many volunteers starting with Santa John Mayland. It was difficult to determine who was having more fun, Santa or the children. In any case Santa heard lots of Christmas wishes as he handed out candy canes to the smiling children.

As always, the AVS Band and Chorus added so much atmosphere to the gathering of family and friends. Thank you, Matt and Chrissy, for your time and sharing your school talent with us. Christmas carols are timeless and always enjoyed by everyone. Our Auburn community is fortunate to have both of you.

The kitchen crew, under the direction of Gary Poulin, were flipping pancakes and sausage galore. The Friends would like to thank Gary, Dave Smiley, Dave Silva, Roland Davis, Ray Garon, Frank Hanscomb, and Jim Davenport for all of their help. We couldn't have this fundraiser without them. Of course, the support of the members of the Friends that helped in every part of the event from set up, decorating, and distributing hot beverages and whipped cream, are so very appreciated.

The winners of our Christmas Raffle were: 1.an Auburn Afghan donated by Yvonne Gosslin and won by Chris Chickering, 2. a Red Sox Blanket donated by Marie Sullivan, won by Pat Clement, 3. a hand turned wooden bowl and board donated by Dave Brien, won by Sue Bunnell, 4. A child's discovery book donated by Lynne Howard, won by DeShang Goodall. Thank you to every-one who supported this raffle.

As 2018 comes to a close The Friends of The Griffin Free Library would like to thank the Auburn Community for your support. These fundraisers allow the Friends to purchase library passes for our

Auburn patron and extra programs for community education. Merry Christmas to all.



Fay Hanscomb





Auburn Residents 65 years young and older

You are cordially invited to the 46th Annual

Auburn Senior Citizen's Holiday Dinner

When: Saturday, January 26, 2019 Time: 1:00 pm Where: Longmeadow Congregational Church (corner of Rt 121 and Wilson Crossing Rd)

R.S.V.P. by January 13, 2019 to:

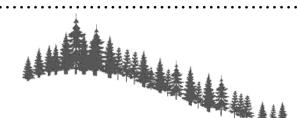
Margie McEvoy 483-8689 or Mary Royer 483-5194 (if no answer, leave a message if you will be attending)

Please fill out the information below and bring it with you:

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No invitations will be mailed please bring this as your invitation.



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20th Anniversary Open House!

Saturday, January 12th, 9:30am-3:30pm

All Auburn residents are invited to celebrate twenty years of a top-notch nature center in your backyard. This free event is our way to say thank you for your support over the years! Activities include free snow shoe rentals, snowman building, nature scavenger hunt, crafts, refreshments and more! Between 11:30am-1:30pm see and touch frogs, turtles and snakes with our fabulous Naturalists. The Open House is free and no registration required.







Registration IS required for two special programs offered that day. Register on-line at <u>www.nhaudubon.org</u> under "Events" and "Calendar". Each program is \$10 M/\$15NM

10 am - 11:30 am - Winter Tree and Plant ID Program

Join Jocelyn Duffy in this indoor/outdoor program to learn how to identify a plant or tree in any season. What clues to use when there are no leaves? Suitable for beginners as well as those with basic botanical knowledge.

2 pm – 3:30 pm - Trail Cams and Climate Change Program

Jackie Robidoux, photographer, nature enthusiast and wildlife conservation volunteer will share how she helps collect data on NH wildlife using Trail Cameras. NH Fish and Game has utilized Jackie's talents to study important species across NH. You might be inspired to install a wildlife camera of your own!

Other Fun Events Coming in January

<u>Yoga with the Animals</u> - Sundays, Jan 13, Jan 27, Feb 10, Feb 24, 5:30-7 pm. \$20/person Leaders: Kara O'Connell or Felicia Jastrzebski, certified yoga instructors.

Enjoy a 1 hour yoga class in our live animal room, surrounded by frogs, turtles, and chirping crickets! After class, we'll take out some of our center's live turtles for you to touch and hold. Bring your own mat; turtles are provided! Handicap accessible.

<u>Night Sky Heroes</u> - Friday, Jan 18, 7-8:30pm. \$10 M/\$15 NM Ind; \$25 M/\$30 NM Families Leader: Jocelyn Duffy, NHA naturalist.

Ancient cultures named patterns of stars in the night sky after their mythological heroes and monsters. Let's explore the night sky and the stories we tell about constellations and our place in the universe. Who would we put in the sky today? We'll spend some time inside and some outside, so come prepared for the weather. Ages 10+, please.

<u>Full Wolf Moon Walk</u> - Monday, January 21, 7-9pm \$10 M/\$15 NM Ind, \$20M/\$30 NM Families Leader: Jake King , Thrive Outdoors

Come howl at the moon on this first full moon of the Yew year, commonly called the Full Wolf Moon. After an invigorating walk through the fields and forest towards Battery Point, enjoy the camp fire and some hot cocoa with marshmallows. Bring your own snowshoes or rent a pair of ours for \$5.

Wee Wonders (ages 4-6) and Junior Explorers (ages 7-12) Spring semester begins January 16. Visit <u>http://www.nhaudubon.org/learn/</u> to register online.

St. Peter Roman Catholic Church

Fr. Michael Gendron, Pastor

567 Manchester Rd.

603-623-5429

www.stpeteraub.org

Mass Schedule: Sat – 4:00 pm Sun – 8:00 am & 10:30 am Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri – 7:00 am



Sock Drive: The St. Peter Parish Women's Guild will hold their annual Sock Drive on the first three weekends in January. Collection baskets will be located at the entrances to the church. The socks they collect will be donated to New Horizons, Liberty House, and Angie's Place.



Monarchs vs. Mariners Saturday, Jan. 26th, 6:00 pm

SNHU Arena

Join St. Peter for Faith and Family Night with the Monarchs and high-five the Monarchs players during the second intermission! To purchase tickets, visit www.monarchsgroups.com/StPeter.

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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Longmeadow Serves!

Longmeadow Congregational Church, United Church of Christ sends to all of our Auburn neighbors best wishes for joy in this New Year. We invite you to join us in worship at 4 Wilson's Crossing Road in Auburn as together we worship the God who is Still Speaking. We come together for worship on Sunday mornings at 9:30 with Christian Education for children and child care available at the same time.

December was a very busy time for us and we thank all of our friends in town who supported our Snowflake Fair and joined us in worship at Christmas time. As we enter the new year, we do so with thanksgiving for all God has done for us and bright hope for all that God holds in store for our future together.



Grace at the Grace Table: Have you Table been away from church... or have never been to

church... but find yourself seeking? Then Grace at the Table may be for you. Once a month (this month it will be Wednesday, January 2) we gather in the Fellowship Hall of the church at 6:00 p.m. for a light meal and time of interactive worship. No reservations are required, come as you are.

Adult Bible Study is be held on Monday evenings at 7:00 p.m., **beginning**





on January 14. This year we will be exploring the Christian Scriptures using a curriculum entitled, "Exploring the Bible: Introducing the New Testament." Our classes are open to anyone in the community and no previous Bible Study experience is required or presumed. The purchase of a text book is required which may be purchased through Amazon. Just call Pastor Ruth at the church office for more information.



Community Office Hours: Pastor Ruth holds

office hours out in the community on Wednesdays from 11-1:00, and is available to speak with anyone during that time. In January, she will be at Dunkin Donuts. Exit 2 off of Route 101. The location may change throughout the year, please see our Facebook page for location or call the church office.

Scarves in the Park: As the cold weather continues this winter, we invite you to join with us in using these darker and colder days to think of those who do not

have access to shelter and warmth by prayerfully creating scarves which we will once again distribute next November to individuals living on the street as a symbol that they are not forgotten. With the participation of many of our Auburn neighbors, this past year we were able to distribute nearly 300 scarves. We also have yarn available to provide to you to create scarves, just contact Pastor Ruth at the church office to make arrangements for pick up or drop-off.

And as the winter progresses, you'll find no warmer welcome than at our Community Breakfasts, held on the first and third Saturday of each month, 6:30-10:00 a.m. in our Fellowship Hall. For just \$6.00 for adults, \$3;00 for children, you can enjoy not only an all-youcan-eat delicious meal but also the joy of time with your wonderful Auburn friends and neighbors.

We of the Longmeadow Congregational Church, UCC wish to all our brothers and sisters in Auburn a very Happy New Year. In the United Church of Christ, we seek to "Be the Church" in the world. If you are looking for a church home, please join us. If you have any questions, please contact our Pastor. Rev. Ruth Gallot at 483-2907. "Friend" us on Facebook

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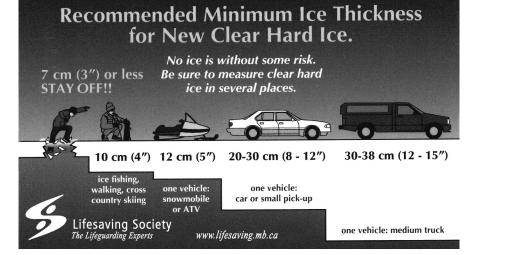


AUBURN FIRE DEPARTMENT NEWS

The Auburn Fire Department along with Chester and Sandown Fire Department's had applied and received funding for a Federal Grant to replace aging and outdated SCBA's. An SCBA is what a firefighter wears on their back to provide breathing air when we enter any environment where the air is unsafe to breath.

Auburn's percentage of the grant allowed us to purchase 23 new SCBA's, 2 RIT packs, and a new mobile cascade system. RIT packs are special packs with an air cylinder that we can bring to a trapped firefighter to give them more air to breathe. The cascade system fills the air cylinders at a fire scene. This piece of equipment is often called for by surrounding communities to assist at fires. By the time you read this the new SCBA's will be in service.

Other features on these SCBA's. 6 have an integrated TIC (thermal imager camera) built into the SCBA. This tool allows firefighters to find hidden fires faster without creating anymore damage to a home. All SCBA's are now working off of 1 lithium ion battery. Our old SCBA's had 3 different batteries we had to change out to make sure they were working properly. The masks are lighter, an adjustable lumbar support helps the firefighters wear it properly possibly avoiding strains or back injuries. With the grant the towns were able to purchase a fit testing machine. All firefighters were tested to make sure they are wearing the correct size masks. After the Fit testing each firefighter went through an in-service training, and then a small obstacle course.





News From The Auburn PD

Hello Auburn Residents,

Each month I sit down to write an article from the police department for the Crier. I try to keep it relevant, informative, with a connection to what is happening with the police department. There are not enough pages in the Crier to hold all I wish I could say in more detail, so I will keep it brief. While I try to focus on the police department, this month I want to focus on each of you, the residents of Auburn, the community, and the organizations within this community.

Once again, I am humbled and blown away by the response of the Auburn Safety Complex Giving Tree. I came home after our Wrap Party, reflecting on all that you have done for members of the community over the last seven weeks. We had 11 families this year, 15 adults and 25 children ranging from age 1 to age 17. With your, help the Giving Tree was able to provide nearly EVERYTHING on these wish lists. We had 3 families reach out at the last minute, and I was worried I would not be able to do much for these families- But when I put the information out there, you responded with even more generosity. One resident and her Granite State Credit Union coworkers adopted a whole family from these last-minute additions and got everything on the list. The tags I put out for the other two were almost all immediately gone.

I know that we keep this as anonymous as possible, but I wanted you to know that over the couple months we do this, I often have to call parents to get clarifications or in some way have contact with them, and the help you provide them is not only needed, but immensely appreciated.

To the children of Auburn, you have amazed us with your generosity and we are thankful for all you have done to help us. I Look forward to our Wrap Party each year and I'm always in awe of the children and adults who come to help during a week night at such a busy time of year.

All the items have been successfully delivered to the families here in Auburn. With each delivery, the families were forever grateful for the assistance, and we wanted to pass that thanks along to each of you. Because of the overwhelming generosity of the residents, we can say with confidence that these Auburn families will have a magical and happy Christmas.

From the men and woman of the Safety Complex, thank you. We hope that everyone had safe and happy holidays.



Melissa@thePD



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