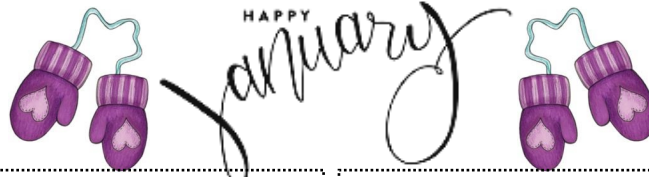




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HAPPY
NEW
YEAR

Deliberative Sessions of Town Meeting

And

School District Meeting

February 1, 2020

9am

Held At AVS

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Town Hall Job Opening Deputy Town Clerk

- Part Time
- Hourly Rate \$15.15 - \$15.76

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Auburn Town Hall News



FY 2020 Budget Near to Completion

The Board of Selectmen is near to completing its work on the FY 2020 Town operating budget and warrant articles which should total approximately \$5,717,000. As we write this article, the Board's overall spending proposals are coming in slightly under the total budget and warrant articles approved by the voters in

March 2019.

While the general spending amounts are level, we are anticipating a reduction in the Town portion of the tax rate of a minimum of 12-cents.

The Board's budget effort is only a part of the Town budgeting process. The Budget Committee is also near

to completing their work on the Town and School budgets. They will complete their work by the January 16, 2020 public hearing on the budgets they will propose to the voters.

Looking Forward to 2020

As we look forward to the coming year and beyond, the Board of Selectmen will be taking time right after the first of the year to participate in a facilitated workshop meeting focused on taking stock of progress made during the past year and to

identify goals the Board has for the Town during the coming year.

This will be the fourth consecutive year the Board has held similar goal setting meetings. All of the past Boards have found it to be helpful to be able to use this type of meeting to

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 2020.

Mark Ampuja Appointed to Conservation Commission

The Board has appointed Mark Ampuja to fill a vacant alternate's position on the Conservation Commission. Mark's term on the Commission will run through March 2021.

Save the Date

Similar to last year, 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 1st beginning at 9 AM at the Auburn Village School, with a snow date of Satur-

day, February 8th.

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

For those who may not have had an

opportunity to tour the new addition and renovations to the Auburn Village School, the School Board is planning to offer tours of the school to interested residents on this day.

Happy New Year!

Richard Eaton



Keith Leclair

Todd Bedard

Auburn Board of Selectmen



2020
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 10, 2020**. The filing period runs from **January 22, 2020 through January 31, 2020**. 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, January 31, 2020.

OFFICE	INCUMBENT
SELECTMAN – 3 YEARS	RICHARD EATON
MODERATOR – 2 YEARS	JAMES TILLERY
TOWN CLERK – 3 YEARS	KATHLEEN A. SYLVIA
TAX COLLECTOR – 3 YEARS	SUSAN N. JENKINS
TREASURER – 3 YEARS	WALTER P. MILNE
SUPERVISOR OF THE CHECKLIST – 6 YEARS	SUSAN N. JENKINS
PLANNING BOARD – 3 YEARS	JEFFREY P. PORTER
LIBRARY TRUSTEE – 3 YEARS	JOSEPH G. FOREST
CEMETERY TRUSTEE- 3 YEARS	JAMES THOMPSON
TRUSTEE OF THE TRUST FUNDS – 3 YEARS	BARBARA CARPENTER
POLICE COMMISSION – 3 YEARS	DAVID C. DION
SCHOOL BOARD MEMBER – 3 YEARS	JANICE BAKER

The School District Deliberative Session ***followed by the Deliberative Session of the Annual Town Meeting, will ***both*** be held **Saturday, February 1, 2020 starting at 9:00 AM** at the Auburn Village School, with a snow date of Saturday, February 8, 2020***



Town Hall Job Opening Deputy Town Clerk

The Town of Auburn is seeking a **part-time** Deputy Town Clerk to join the team of hard-working, dedicated & fun-loving folks at Town Hall!

General Duties: The position is responsible for assisting in processing motor vehicle & boat registrations, vital records, dog licenses, voter registration and elections.

Skills and Experience: Basic accounting and computer skills, strong customer service and communication skills, detail-oriented and minimum of High School Diploma or the equivalent.

Pay: Hourly rate of pay dependent on experience, range to be \$15.15 to \$15.76 to start.

Hours: Up to 624 hours per year to include:

Wednesdays 7:45am -2:30pm

The last Monday of every month 3:00pm – 7:30pm

Approximately ten additional weeks per year (Monday 9:45am-7:30pm, Wednesday & Thursday 7:45am-2:30pm & Friday 7:45am-12:30pm)

The Deputy will also need to attend training, workshops & certification for motor vehicle, boat, elections and vital records.

The Deputy Town Clerk works at all elections (1-4 per year, approx. 6:30am-8pm)

To apply: Send letter of interest and resume to Auburn Town Clerk, PO Box 309, Auburn, NH 03032 or townclerk@townofauburnnh.com



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Winter Carnival

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, January 11 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, 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

Christmas Trees are accepted at the Safety Complex for the Burning of the Trees. You can drop them off 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 donation. See their article in the Crier for more information.

Tai Chi for Seniors

Tai Chi is a mind-body exercise from China. It has roots in martial arts, philosophy and Traditional Chinese Medicine. The Tai Chi forms are slow, gentle choreographed movements that gracefully flow from one to the next like a dance. More and more seniors are doing Tai Chi to improve their health and reduce their risk of falling. The next 10 week session will start on **Friday, January 10th at 11:00 am at the Safety Complex** and run through March 13. The cost for the program is \$59. To register for the 10-week program, please use the form on the following page and return to Parks and Recreation.



Tai Chi Registration Form

Name: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Please return this form to Auburn Parks and Recreation, PO Box 309, Auburn, NH 03032 or you can drop it off at the Town Hall. Please call the Parks and Recreation office at 483-5052 x101 or email Recreation@townofauburnNH.com with any questions. Checks can be written to "Town of Auburn".



Camp Adventure



Camp Adventure is back again for it's 3rd year! This summer, for one week only, the Parks & Rec 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. The last 2 summers were such a blast and we are excited to bring it back again with the same awesome counselors. This camp does fill up so don't wait too long to send in your registration.

Camp Dates: Monday, July 27 through Friday, July 31, 2020

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 2020-2021 school year.

Fee: \$279 for the week (full payment is due at the time of registration)

(Scholarships are available. Contact Parks & Rec for the details.)



Camp Adventure Registration.....

Parent's Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Phone Number: _____

Camper's Name: _____ grade (2020-2021 school year): _____

This form can be returned to the Parks & Recreation at PO Box 309, Auburn, NH 03032. 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



Auburn Residents 65 years young and older

You are cordially invited to the 47th Annual

Auburn Senior Citizen's Holiday Dinner

When: Saturday, January 25, 2020

Time: 1:00 pm

Where: Longmeadow Congregational Church
(corner of Rt 121 and Wilson Crossing Rd)

R.S.V.P. by January 17, 2020 to:

Margie McEvoy 483-8689 or Mary Royer 483-5194
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Animal Tracking Workshop - Beginners

Saturday, January 11, 1-2:30pm

Cost: \$12 M/\$15 NM Individuals,
\$30 M/\$40 NM Families

Beat the winter slump and join in on a fun winter activity! Ever see tracks in the snow and wonder who made them? We'll learn the basics of tracking, then head out to the trails to see what tracks, scat, and other signs of wildlife we can find. Dress for the weather! All ages welcome. Keep a look out for our next Animal Tracking Workshop - Intermediate, coming up in February!

Winter Bird Walk

Saturday, January 18, 10-11:30am

Cost: \$12 M/\$15 NM Individuals,
\$30 M/\$40 NM Families

Winter is a great time to get into birding. Easier visibility (no leaves!) and fewer species (those hardy souls that overwinter in New Hampshire) help ease you into the great sport of birdwatching. We'll spend some time inside discussing binoculars and a few keys to bird identification, then head outside to see who we can find. Add to your enjoyment of the visitors to your backyard feeder and participate in the Backyard Winter Bird Survey. Bring your binoculars and come dressed for the weather. Ages 10+, please.

Snowshoe Rentals!

Wednesday through Saturday between 9 am and 2 pm

Cost: \$8 M / \$10 NM dollars per pair
Enjoy nature in winter at the Massabesic Audubon Center as you trek the trails on snowshoes! Snowshoes

for use on-site only with a minimum of 6" of snow cover. Limited pairs available for little children. Call to reserve if bringing a large party.

HOMESCHOOL/PRESCHOOL

Wednesdays, 10-11:30 am (see dates below) Cost: \$12 M / \$15 NM (per child/parent pair)

Parents are encouraged to stay and participate. Please dress to be outside! Pre-registration required for all classes. Call us at 668-2045 or register online at <http://www.nhaudubon.org/learn/>

Junior Explorers-Classes for Homeschoolers ages 7-12

Leader: Madeline Champlin, Education Program Manager

January 8: Ready, Set, Adapt!

Surprisingly, many of NH's animals remain active throughout our notorious winters. Learn about the unique and incredible adaptations these animals utilize to survive!

January 22: Tracks, Scat, and All of That!

Set out on snowshoes (weather permitting) to discover "stories in the snow." Learn to identify animals that remain active in winter by the traces they leave. We'll look for tracks, scat, and other sign-like food middens, chewed twigs, and fur/feathers left behind.

Wee Wonders-Classes for Preschoolers ages 4-6

Leader: Amanda Klemm,
Massabesic Audubon Center
- Animal Care Specialist and Naturalist

January 8 & 15: Hibernation Station

Why don't frogs freeze? How deep does a bear sleep? Many animals behave differently in the winter, going through a period of hibernation or dormancy. Today we will learn which New Hampshire animals spend the winter in a sleep-like state until spring arrives.

January 22 & 29: Arctic Adventures

What do narwhals, polar bears and snowy owls have in common? Today we will locate the Arctic on a map, identify many of the unique animals that call the Arctic home, and learn about the special adaptations they have for living there.





Kathy Growney, Library Director

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Programming Highlight

There is a lot going on this month at Griffin Free. On January 15 Steve Hale of Open World Explorers will present, **Discoveries in Bird Migration** highlighting several especially beautiful scientific approaches to unlocking the secrets of bird orientation, navigation, and travel.

Then on January 22 join us for the presentation **Do You Know Where Your DNA Is?** by Professor Albert E. "Buzz" Scherr. He will take you through the current state of Forensic DNA technology, genetic genealogy, familial searching and wrongful convictions based on post-conviction DNA testing among the many and varied uses of genetic information.

For those of you looking to get creative, **One Stroke Brush Painting** is back on January 30. Please contact the library for details.

The Children's Room is very active as well. New for 2020 is **Wednesday Craft Club** open to elementary and middle school aged students. Make a flexicube on January 15 and a paracording survival bracelet on January 29. The Craft Club meets at 4:15 PM both days and advance registration is required.

Finally, from January 1 to February 14, children may participate in **Fill the Heart with Acts of Kindness**. The child with the most acts of kindness will win a prize! Details available at the Library.

Collection Highlight

Because you asked for it: starting January 18 we will be running a *trial* of the database **Fold3** which provides access to military records for genealogical research. A demo of the database will be provided during the Genealogy Club meeting on January 18 between 10 AM and Noon.

Upcoming Programming for Adults:

Knitting / Crochet

EVERY Friday, 10:30 AM – Noon

Day Book Club – *Double Whammy* by Carl Hiassen
Wed., Jan. 8 @ 1:15 PM

Evening Book Club - *Driving Miss Norma* – by Tim Bauerschmidt & Ramie Liddle
Wed., Jan. 8 @ 6:30 PM

Discoveries in Bird Migration
Wed., Jan. 15 @ 6:30 PM

Genealogy Club
Sat., Jan. 18, 10 AM - Noon

Do You Know Where Your DNA Is?
Wed., Jan. 22 @ 6:30 PM

One Stroke Brush Painting – Register in advance.
Thurs., Jan. 30 @ 6:30 PM

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. 4 @ 1:00 PM

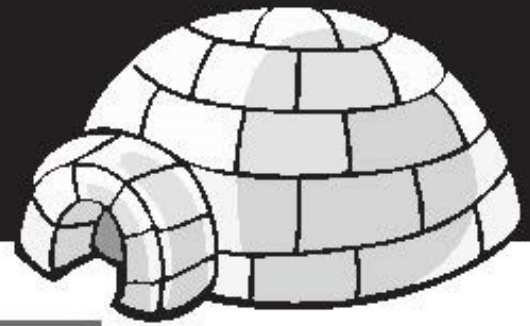
Craft Club: Flexicube
Wed., Jan. 15 @ 4:15 PM

Craft Club: Paracording Survival Bracelet
Wed., Jan. 29 @ 4:15 PM

STEM on Saturday
Sat., Feb. 15 @ 1:00 PM



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News from the Auburn Historical Association

JOIN US: CANTERBURY SHAKERS PRESENTATION

Don't miss a special, free presentation on the Shakers on Tuesday, January 21 at 7 p.m. in the Historical Association's Meeting Room. Rebecca Soules, an "interpretation manager" at Canterbury Shaker Village, will speak and show slides of the Canterbury Shakers.

The Shakers are a religious group that started in England in the 1700s and later migrated to the United States during the American Revolution. In America, they became a successful utopian society with a number of communities that spread from Maine to Kentucky.

The Shakers were pacifists and celibate, so they increased membership by taking in orphans. These orphans were educated, taught a trade, and then, when they were young adults, were allowed to join the Order or leave for the "outside" world.

The Shaker community located in Canterbury, New Hampshire was at its zenith in 1850. The Shaker Village had 300 members living on 3,000 acres and utilized over 100 buildings.

The Shakers embraced technology, obtained patents and were early advocates of electricity, phone communication, and automobiles.

It is said that a Shaker Eldress conceived the idea for the circular saw blade. The up-and-down sawmill was like a hand saw, but it only cut on the down stroke. On the other hand, the spinning wheel worked continually. If cutting teeth could be put into a round metal disc, then sawmill productivity would be greatly enhanced.

Unfortunately for the Shakers, the industrialization and urbanization of America drew away too many young people. The Shaker communities began a century long decline and for all practical purposes were all but extinct by 1950. The few remaining Shakers live at the Shaker Village in Sabbathday Lake, Maine.

Join us and learn more about our neighbors at Canterbury Shaker Village.

Tuesday, January 21 at 7 p.m. at the Historical Association Meeting Room at 102 Hooksett Road.

(The Meeting Room is located on the backside of the museum at 102 Hooksett Road in Auburn.)



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Sat – 4:00 pm

Sun – 8:00 am & 10:00 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.

First Friday Adoration: Friday, January 3, 6:30-7:30 pm in the Church

Walking with Purpose Women's Bible Study: Thursdays from 6:30-8:00 pm. For more information, contact Michelle Paul at 603-623-5429, ext. 2 or stpeteraub@comcast.net.

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

Interested in learning more about the Catholic Church? 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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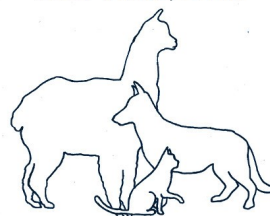
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Longmeadow Serves!

Happy New Year to all of our Auburn friends and neighbors! And what a year it has been for the Longmeadow Congregational Church, United Church of Christ. We have gone through many changes and have received so many blessings. It is a time to celebrate the arrival of the new year and we look forward to all the ways God is calling us to live and serve. We invite you to join us as we walk together through this new year. We are located at 4 Wilson's Crossing Road in Auburn and invite you to join us as together we worship the God who is Still Speaking. We come together for worship on Sunday mornings at 9:30 with Sunday School and childcare available at the same time.



December was filled with a depth of riches as we celebrated the coming of our Messiah in the Greening of the Church while also acknowledging and welcoming the God who is Still Speaking, even in our times of grief during our Blue Christmas service. We thank you, our neighbors, for supporting our annual Snowflake Fair as well as those who came to our Church breakfast on December 21. We are



also very grateful to our neighbors who helped us to provide financial assistance to many local families in need over the Christmas season. And, beyond all this, we give thanks for the blessing of all who came to worship with us for the first time in Advent and Christmas. We pray that your time with us has been blessed.



As we come into a new year and a new decade, we look forward to joining together in the many outreach projects where God calls us serve. Our young people will begin planning their annual participation in the nationwide *Souper Bowl of Caring*, in which they create delicious soups to serve on the football Super Bowl Sunday to raise money for the local food pantry. Throughout the winter we also invite you to join us in once again creating scarves to distribute to those who

are cold and we have a lot of yarn to offer you to create these scarves. Please contact Pastor Ruth at the church to arrange a pick-up or delivery.

We will also be starting a new Bible Study on Monday evenings on Paul's letter to the Romans. Please contact the church for more information.

As we come to the day of Epiphany, we too seek to follow the light that leads us and invite you to join with us in worship where we listen for God's word. We of the Longmeadow Congregational Church, UCC wish to all of our Auburn friends and neighbors joy in this New Year. 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. If you have any questions, please contact our Pastor, Rev. Ruth Gallot at 483-2907. Friend us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/Longmeadow/>

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Auburn Police News



Hello Auburn Residents,

I could not be more proud to say I work for the town of Auburn. Just like previous years the Giving Tree was a wonderful success, and 11 families had a magical Christmas! I cannot express my gratitude to each and every one of you!!! It truly is amazing.

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.

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 had a magical and happy Christmas.

We also had a wonderful time on our second Santa Parade. The police and fire departments were able to escort Santa around town, so he could wave to residents. We hope to make this a yearly event, and welcome thoughts and suggestions as the parade evolves. A huge Thank you Steve our Grinch and Mike our "Reindeer" for their help with showing Santa around town!

Melissa@thePD





Auburn Fire Department News



Heating Fire Safety

Follow these heating tips to help maintain a fire-safe home this winter.



Space Heater

- Keep anything that can burn, such as bedding, clothing and curtains, at least 3 feet away from the heater.
- Make sure the heater has an automatic shut-off, so if it tips over, it shuts off.
- Turn heaters off when you go to bed or leave the room.
- Plug portable heaters directly into outlets and never into an extension cord or power strip.
- Only use portable heaters from a recognized testing laboratory.



Fireplace

- Keep a glass or metal screen in front of the fireplace to prevent embers or sparks jumping out.
- Do not burn paper in your fireplace.
- Put the fire out **before** you go to sleep or leave your home.
- Put ashes in a metal container with a lid, outside, at least 3 feet from your home.



Wood Stove

- Make sure your wood stove is 3 feet from anything that can burn.
- Do not burn paper in your wood stove.
- Put the fire out **before** you go to sleep or leave your home.
- Have your chimney inspected and cleaned each year by a professional.



Furnace

- Have your furnace inspected each year.
- Keep anything that can burn away from the furnace.



Kerosene Heater

- Only use kerosene heaters from a recognized testing laboratory.
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Cub Scout Pack 127 – Preparing for a New Year of Adventure

Happy New Year from Cub Scout Pack 127! The Cub Scouts had a busy end of 2019 working towards their rank advancements. The Webelos den worked on fire safety and how to lay and start a fire during a recent den meeting and enjoyed some sweet treats in the process. Several scouts also helped to bus tables at the Longmeadow Church breakfast. The Wolves are well on their way to earning their Whittling Chip which allows them to carry a pocketknife at scout functions. They reviewed knife safety rules, built their own wooden knife, learned how to sharpen their blades, and perfected their skills by carving fun shapes out of foam and soap. In addition, the Scouts want to give a huge shout out to all the Auburn residents who donated food during their Scouting for Food service project back in November. Auburn Scouts collected 2,200+ donations. Thank you for your generosity!

Be on the lookout for more remarkable things from these young boys and girls in the community and beyond in 2020!



Auburn Village School

2020– 2021 Kindergarten & Grade 1 Registration



KINDERGARTEN: All children living in Auburn who will be five years old on or before September 30th, 2020 are eligible to enter kindergarten in the fall of 2020. Registration packets will be available at the main office beginning Monday, January 13th. 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, 2020 are eligible to enter first grade in the fall of 2020. Registration packets will be available at the main office beginning Monday, January 13th. 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.





Auburn Troop 127 Crier

Troop 127 has been busy over the last month. We held our annual Turkey Roast and Court Of Honor at Camp Sanborn. At the turkey roast we had a full thanksgiving dinner with turkeys we cooked on coals outside. A Court Of Honor is when a scout is presented with awards they have earned such as a merit badges or ranks. A special thanks to State Representative Jess Edwards for awarding some our newest Eagle Scouts with awards that recognize their achievements.

The theme for this month meetings was games. We also worked on the Soccer merit badge.

We did Scouting for Food, collecting food for the less fortunate. We are proud to say that is was a HUGE Success. We would like to thank everyone who donated. The Troop will be doing a fundraiser picking up Christmas trees from peoples houses on January 4th and January 11th. We will also be doing a Klondike in February. A Klondike is when scouts take a sled all around Camp Carpenter and do activities and answer questions and earn beads. The troop with the most beads wins. We are all looking towards the holidays and we wish you readers a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!



Girl Scouts

It's GIRL SCOUT COOKIE TIME! Be on the lookout for friendly neighborhood Girl Scouts collecting orders for cookies beginning January 1st. The Girl Scout cookie tradition helps teach 5 skills that last a lifetime including Goal Setting, Decision Making, Money Management, People Skills and Business Ethics. The initial orders of cookies arrive to troops in our community on 2/29 and continue through the end of March with cookie booths in various locations. Each box of cookies raises funds for both the individual girl who is selling, and her troop, so that new activities, skills and adventures can be funded. 8 flavors are available this year and are \$5 per box. We hope that you enjoy a few boxes this season or make a donation to our Gift of Caring options.

From the Girl Scouts of Auburn!

Thanks, Jennifer



AVS School News



AVS Invention Convention

For the past two months, the eighth grade has been very busy taking on the role of inventors. They worked through the invention process from nurturing an idea all the way through to developing a working prototype. There were some amazing ideas on display during the annual AVS Invention Convention. Local community members came to judge the students' productions and winners were



Stella Kozak, Teigin McLaughlin, Isabella Pinardi, Nate Jones, Jesse Shaw, Ava Triplett, Isabella Falcone, Abigail Carter



Isabella Falcone accepted her "Best in Grade" award.

announced in eight separate categories. One overall winner was awarded a provisional patent to further the development and design. Congratulations to all of the winners!

Best in Grade: Isabella Falcone with the Lock A Top Bike Lock

Practical and Useful: Jesse Shaw with the Pillow Stuffy

Medical/Special Needs: Abigail Carter with the Baby Band Monitor

Environmental: Ava Triplett with the Personal Ventilation Device

Fun/Leisure: Nathan Jones with the U-Petal Bike Phone Charger

Original and Unique: Teigin McLaughlin with Hook-n-Go Horse Tool

Judges Choice: Isabella Pinardi with the Grip It & Rip It

AVS Staff Choice: Stella Kozak with the Peer Pal ADHD Desk

The Fall/ Winter Exhibition of Learning By Ava Audet

For this year's Fall Exhibition of Learning, the middle school showed integration of core subjects through the arts. Various projects were made and completed during the months leading up to the event that happened for one evening only. Seventh Grade played a key role in bringing the Exhibition of Learning to life. In the seventh grade science classes, they made soap to show the



7th Grade Soap



chemical bonds between lye and cooking fat. The classes found that the first attempt, made in a crockpot, came out very mushy. Later, a soap professional came in and taught the class how they should use crystalized lye instead of already made lye and how they can add different things like flower petals and poppy seeds. Meanwhile, in the seventh grade art classes, a series of student led projects were created. In the beginning, they started by finding inspiration from their own interests, artists they knew and ones that they later researched, and a medium which they were interested in exploring. The students made various works of art such as painting, ceramics, printmaking, and paper sculptures. The band students created music based on the math from what they had been learning in class. They recorded their performances and explained them to the audience at the EOL. It sounded random, but that was the point - they turned mathematical radicals into music, I guess you could call it Jazz. Lots of these students participated in all areas described!



Erin McDonough

Save the dates:

Spring EOL, May, 28, 2020

Elementary EOL, June 4, 2020

Cleaning out your attic or basement?

AVS is now accepting donated LEGOS for our MakerSpace!

Why a MakerSpace?

Makerspaces provide hands-on, creative ways to encourage students to design, experiment, build and invent as they deeply engage in science, engineering and tinkering. A makerspace is not solely a science lab, woodshop, computer lab or art room, but it may contain elements found in all of these familiar spaces.




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School Construction Update

Hope you all had a wonderful holiday and healthy doses of food, laughter, and good company. It's wonderful to be able to report that as we turn the corner on 2019 and head into 2020, the biggest parts of the Auburn Village School Construction & Renovation Project are now complete. Here are the highlights from the past month:

Main entrance, front office, and nurse's office are now open – These renovated spaces are now open for business. All of these spaces have more room, have been designed around the flow of people and materials, and look shiny and bright thanks to new lighting, walls, flooring, and a fresh coat of paint. After many months, the main entrance of the building will be open again when classes resume after the holiday break.

Five-classroom elementary wing is now open – That shine and brightness extend down the elementary wing hallway and into the five classrooms which are also now open. Our third-grade classes which started the school year in another part of the building will be moving into their classroom 'homes' by the time school resumes after the holiday break.

Doors and doorways are being replaced – The old doors leading to the cafeteria and gym are being replaced over the holiday break, making the new rear lobby both up to code and stylistically consistent with the new features.

While these big phases of the project are now complete, the project will continue to focus on a handful of smaller work items over the next few months. Some of these include:

Baseball Field – Site work has begun and will continue in the non-freeze months. We are on track to open the baseball field in Spring 2021.

Fire Alarms – We'll be replacing the fire alarm equipment and mechanics in the middle of the school that was not renovated so that the school's fire alarm system across non-renovated, renovated, and new areas is integrated.

Rear Exterior Lighting – We're realizing the rear parking lot could use some additional lighting and trying to solve for that.

Flooring – In order to have softer transitions between new space and non-renovated space, we're looking at flooring transitions and extending new flooring where we can.

On a final note, we'll be scheduling a Grand Opening in February and will be offering a walk-through for those who can join us. More details will be in the next Crier.

Happy New Year!



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