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Please check with event/project coordinators first for dates, times, and cancelations.

## TOWN WIDE TRICK OR TREAT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30<sup>TH</sup>, 1PM- 4PM



## AUBURN TRANSFER STATION TEMPORARILY CLOSED

**TRANSFER  
STATION  
CLOSED**

Wednesday,  
October 19<sup>th</sup>-  
Friday, October 21<sup>st</sup>



### Save the Date

Snowflake Fair- December 3, 2022  
Longmeadow Congregational Church  
8:30-2:00

More info in the October Crier



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# Auburn Town Hall News



## Work on Town's FY 2023 Budget Underway

By the time you are reading this, work will be underway with Town boards and departments presenting their FY 2023 budget requests to the Board of Selectmen.

The Board received a total Town budget package at its August 22nd meeting, and then will be meeting with the individual Town officials throughout the month of October and November.

The Budget Committee is also scheduled to begin its work on the FY 2023 budget on September 29th and will continue to meet through December for both the Town and the School District budget proposals.

## Good Shepherd's Foundation to add Little Free Libraries

The Youth Advisory Council of the Good Shepherd's Foundation attended the Board of Selectmen meeting on August 8th to gain permission to place "Little Free Libraries" at locations throughout town including the Town Hall and Pingree Hill Fire Station. Madeline Hajduk, of the Good Shepherd's Foundation Youth Advisory Council, explained that books will be left by local residents and then returned. Auburn resident, Ed Gannon, has volunteered to check on these libraries on a weekly basis.

You can also find a "Little Free Library" located at the Circle of Fun Playground thanks to Jackie and Bill Wood.

## Transfer Station Temporary Closure

It has come to the Board's attention that the Auburn Transfer Station, located at 24 Grey Point Ave, will be closed from Wednesday, October 19th through Friday, October 21st due to scales being replaced. You will soon notice communication of this closure throughout town through signs and pamphlets provided by Waste Management of New Hampshire. Please plan accordingly for your trash disposal during this time.



*Keith Leclair*



*Michael Rolfe*

*Tom Carroll*

*Auburn Board of Selectmen*



[www.massabesicgc.org](http://www.massabesicgc.org)

## Massabesic Garden Club



Our first meeting of the 2022-2023 year will be held on October 12, with the location to be announced. We will have a guest speaker from UNH Cooperative Extension, and the topic is Gardening in a Changing Climate. I'm hoping for advice on what backyard garden plants are somewhat drought resistant, but still high yielding vegetables.

Our Duck Race participation was great fun, and we had a wonderful day at this great community event. We held our second annual plant sale which was very successful, and we will be collecting outdoor and house plants again next September. We met and talked with a lot of folks interested in membership--all are welcome.

Have you heard about the Griffin Free Library's initiative for sharing seeds? We are very excited to support the library's new seed library and will encourage our members to save seeds and share seeds grown locally. From the Library website: "Miss Jessica will be developing a program where community members and patrons will be able to drop off and take home seeds from and for their home gardens. (Kind of a Little Free Library, but for seeds!) We hope to follow that up with a small community garden on the library grounds next spring."

If you have an empty patch in your garden, it is not too late (almost!) to throw in some spinach and kale seeds for salad greens that will grow (slowly) even past our earliest frosts. Just remember to keep them wet until sprouting. Even better if you can rig hoops, cover them with plastic, and give that area some fall protection.

Remember to check our website and Facebook pages for information on the next meeting!



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Auburn Safety Complex and Parks & Recreation

# TRUNK OR TREAT

Monday, October 31, 2022 6:00-8:00 pm

Auburn Safety Complex

**"Trunk or Treating" car to car to collect candy!**

Hot Chocolate

Music

Voting for "Best Trunk 2022" (winners announced at 7:45 pm)



for more information, contact Parks & Rec at  
recreation@townofauburnNH.com or 603-483-5052 x101



## **"Trunks" Needed for Trunk or Treat**

We are currently looking for residents, local businesses, and organizations to participate as the decorated trunks and handing out treats to the community. If you are interested in participating or would like more information, please e-mail Amy at recreation@townofauburnNH.com



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*Auburn Parks & Recreation Senior Trip*



***Holidays at Newport Mansions***

***With Lunch at Johnny's Restaurant***

***Wednesday, December 7***

Holidays at the Newport Mansions are more spectacular than ever this year. More lights, more trees and more festive decorations this holiday season at the Newport Mansions. We will be visiting the Breakers, home of the Vanderbilts, which is the grandest of the Newport's summer "cottages".



**Audio Tours**

Live tours are not available at the Breakers. To listen to the self-guided tour, group members must bring their own smart device with earbuds/headsets and download the tour from the Newport Mansions app. Visitors may download the app and download the tour in advance (recommended) or on property. Should you not have earbuds/headsets please keep the volume on low. Additionally, printed scripts are available and Preservation Society staff always welcomes your questions.

After our time at the Breakers, we will head to Johnny's Restaurant at the Wyndham Newport Hotel. Entrée choices include Chicken Piccata, Baked Stuffed Scrod or Vegetarian option. Please indicated choice on registration form.

Motorcoach transportation, Breakers admission and lunch is included in this trip. We will depart Auburn from St. Peter's Church at 8:00 am and expect to return around 5:30 pm. The trip from Auburn to Newport is 2 ½ hours. We will not have a scheduled stop along the way. Restrooms are available on the coach. Pre-registration is required, and space is limited. See registration form below for details.

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**2022 Senior Trip Registration Form- Newport Mansions**

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

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

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

Entrée Choice(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Chicken Piccata \_\_\_\_\_ Baked Stuffed Scrod \_\_\_\_\_ Vegetarian

The cost for this trip is \$20 per person and is open to **Auburn residents 65 and over**.

Please return this form along with the fee to Auburn Parks and Recreation, PO Box 309, Auburn, NH 03032 or you can drop it off at the Town Hall. If you are dropping off when the Town Hall is closed, there is a convenient drop box to the right of the front door. Checks can be made payable to the Town of Auburn. Please call the Parks and Recreation office at 603-483-5052 x101 or email Recreation@townofauburnNH.com with any questions.

**As with all Auburn Senior Trips, this trip is on a first come, first serve basis for the first 55 Auburn seniors signing up. The trips tend to fill up VERY fast. Please drop off ASAP so you don't miss out.**

# AUBURN POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS



Hello Auburn Residents,

Thank you to everyone who came out and visited our Auburn Fry Guys stand during Auburn Day!

A big Thank you to the Massabesic Yacht Club for hosting an amazing 9/11 breakfast honoring local first responders!!

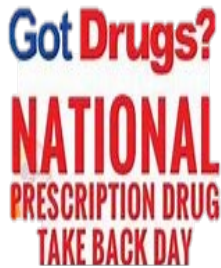


## Here are more upcoming events that the department is planning for October

**\*DRUG TAKE BACK DAY** - will be Saturday October 29th from 10AM to 2PM at the Safety Complex. This is a great way to safely dispose of unused prescription AND over the counter.

**\*TOWN WIDE TRICK OR TREAT** – Will be on October 30<sup>th</sup> 1PM to 4PM

**\*TRUNK OR TREAT**- will be on October 31<sup>st</sup> at 6PM! If you'd like to decorate your car, please email P&R at [recreation@townofauburnnh.com](mailto:recreation@townofauburnnh.com). If you'd just like your kids to "trunk or treat", no registration necessary!



## AUBURN GIVING TREE

We know it's a bit tough to think about Christmas already, but throughout the month of October we are accepting applications for those who may need a bit of Santa magic to help with Christmas this year. This is our 7<sup>th</sup> year doing The Auburn Giving Tree Program and it has helped so many families the last 6 years. If you or someone you know who lives in Auburn may benefit from this community project, please reach out to the department for an application.

**\*\*IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT THE FORM BE RETURNED BEFORE  
NOVEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup>\*\***

**We will be unable to accept any families after that date**

To our Magical Elves, or those not familiar with the Auburn Giving Tree who are interested in being a Magical Elf to help neighbors in need, there will be more information in the November Crier. If anyone has any questions, please feel free to reach out to the police department or through email anytime!

[mgates@townofauburnnh.com](mailto:mgates@townofauburnnh.com)



## Monthly Market Newsletter From: **Christian Scott**

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## Non-Profit Spotlight

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## News from Auburn Dollars for Scholars

Thank You to our community for your support at the Auburn Duck Race.

We ran a 50/50 raffle that was quite successful. Congratulations to our winner, Peggy Lambert!

After 18 years of serving on the Auburn Dollars for Scholars® board and as president, I will be stepping down. It has been my privilege and honor to support the future education of Auburn students. Auburn Dollars for Scholars® will continue to serve the students of Auburn and I have every confidence in our new president team, Patrick and Tarah Bergeron.

Auburn Dollars for Scholars® is a chapter of Scholarship America® and a 501c3 non-profit volunteer organization.

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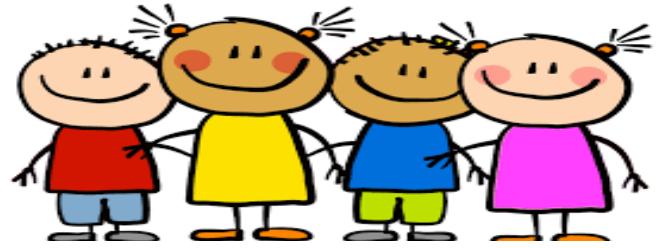
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# AVS SCHOOLYARD NEWS

## Spotlight on Science, Technology, Engineering, and Art (STEAM) Class



Linda Reinelt, AVS STEAM Teacher, has created some very engaging activities for AVS middle school students. Students are encouraged to take thoughtful risks, engage in experiential learning, persist in problem-solving, embrace collaboration, and work through the creative process.

Seventh graders were tasked with creating a new ride for a theme park! They were given a budget and costs for their materials and labor. They had

to consider restrictions, safety, quality control, and design. Their ride had to encourage more tourists to visit their park and appeal to a range of ages. The students worked together to make these fun and creative projects.

We continue to use our many 3D printers in our STEAM program. Students use a free web based software program called Tinkercad to design their models. They print their prototypes to any of the printers.



The AVS STEAM program also participates in the FIRST® LEGO® League. FIRST® LEGO® League introduces science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) to children ages 4-16 through fun, exciting hands-on learning. Participants gain real-world problem solving experience through a guided, global robotics program, helping today's students and teachers build a better future together.



# NEWS FROM THE FRIENDS OF THE GRIFFIN FREE LIBRARY

## AUTHOR PAUL DOIRON EVENT RESCHEDULED FOR NOV. 1 AT 6:30PM

Popular Maine author was scheduled to attend a Friends of Griffin Free Library fundraiser on Sept. 20, but after being nominated for the prestigious New England Society in the City of New York book award, we had to change the date so Paul could attend the award ceremony.

So, he'll be in town on Tuesday, November 1st at 6:30PM at Auburn Village School where he'll talk about his life as an author, do a reading and answer questions. Gibson's bookstore will be on hand to help Paul sign and sell books. Paul Doiron is the author of the Mike Bowditch series of crime novels, including "The Poacher's Son" which won the Barry Award and the Strand Critics Award for Best First Novel and was nominated for an Edgar Award, an Anthony Award, a Thriller Award for Best First Novel and the Maine Literary Award for "Best Fiction of 2010."

Since then, he's gone to write 12 more books in the popular, best-selling series. Paul is one of the library's most requested authors, in particular his latest, 'Hatchet Island.'

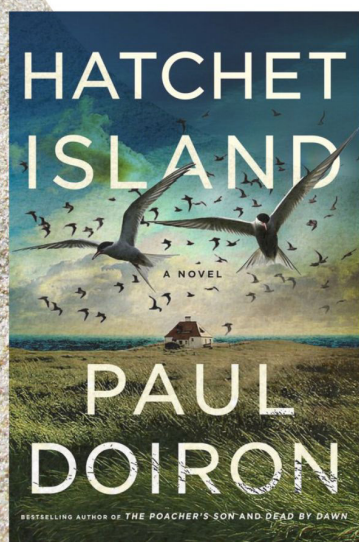
This event is free and open to the public with no registration required. Please give the library a call at 603-483-5374 for more information. We can't wait to welcome Paul Doiron to Auburn and are eager to see you all there!



Friends of the  
Griffin Free Library present

an evening with  
author

# PAUL DOIRON



November 1, 2022  
at 6:30pm  
at  
Auburn Village School  
cafeteria

One Happy Biker! Duck race day was a success for the library and other vendors. Pick a Duck and our Trek Bike raffle was a success. Congratulations to Dave Nickulas, the winner of the trekking bike raffle! Elaine Willet won the Escape Room Experience and a certificate for the Thirsty Moose. Miss Mary was very busy with games and crafts for lots of the children. Many of the Authors enjoyed meeting and greeting readers and having a chance to talk about their books. Of course the popcorn had it's day in the sun, and made for some happy munching. It was so nice to see many old and new patrons stopping by the library booth to say hi. Thank you to all of the Auburn community that help to support the Griffin Library.

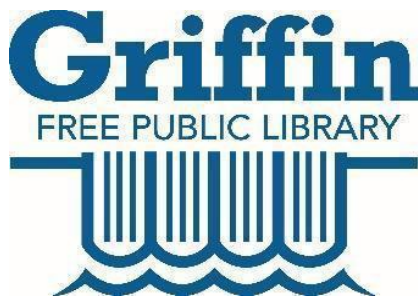
Now that fall is around the corner and the weather is cooler don't forget to take advantage of the discount passes to several different venues. For more information please go onto the Griffin Free Library under services to see what is available.

Our Friends meeting's are held every 1st Monday of the month(except holidays) at 7pm, please join us at the Library for meeting some wonderful Friends.

-Fay Hanscomb







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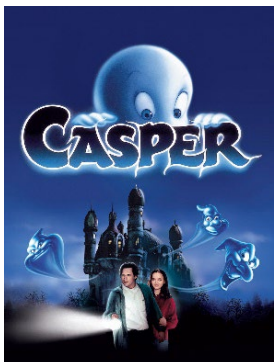
## Fall is Upon Us and the Library Has a Packed Calendar of Events!

With school back in session and the holiday season not too far away, the library's fall season of events and fun is going to make it a busy time! Here's a brief list of some of the amazing things happening at your library.

### **Tuesday, Nov. 1: An Evening with Paul Doiron (Rescheduled from Sept. 20)**

Join the Friends of the Library at 6:30PM at AVS for an exclusive reading and event with popular Maine author Paul Doiron. Please make a note that this event has been rescheduled from Sept. 20 because Paul won a big award which coincided with the original event. But he'll be here on the first day of November to talk about his Mike Bowditch crime novels, answer questions and sign books. This event is FREE! Gibson's bookstore will be on hand to sell books.

### **Wed., Oct. 19: Family Fun Movie Night**



Join us for a Halloween-themed family movie night at the library. Starting at 6pm we'll be showing the 1996 film, "Casper." This event is free, but registration is required and seating will be

available for 20. Snacks will be served!

### **Wed., Oct. 26: Fall Time Painting Class:**

Join us at the library from 6-8pm for a fall painting class with Janice Fusco. Janice is a professional one-stroke brush painting instructor and will guide us through a pumpkin design tote bag to take home! This event is FREE but space is limited to 10 painters and registration is required. Stop by the library website to register!

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

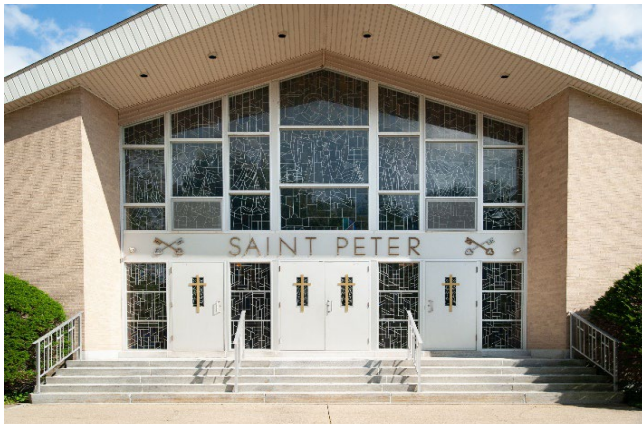
## Adult/Teen Programming

The **Evening Book Club** will meet on Wed. October 5 at 6:30pm. The book is "Harry's trees" by Jon Cohen.

The **Day Book Club** will meet on Wed. October 12 at 1:30. The book is "The Plot" by Jean Hanff Korelitz.

The **Knitting Club** will meet every Friday at 10:30AM in September. No sign up needed.

The **Cookbook Club** will meet on **Saturday, October 22 at 12:30PM.** Stay tuned for a theme and books! This will be the club's final meeting until Spring so be sure to mark your calendars!



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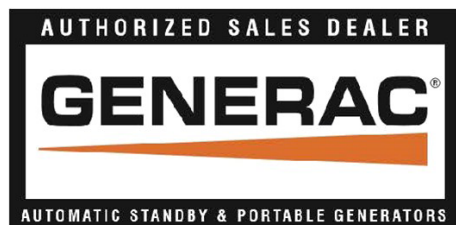
*Train children in the way they should go: and when they grow old, they will not depart from it. (Proverbs 22:6)*

**First Friday Adoration:** Friday, October 7<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 to 7:30 PM in the church.

**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](mailto:stpeteraub@comcast.net).



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### **Longmeadow Serves!**

Greetings from your friends at the Longmeadow Congregational Church, United Church of Christ at 4 Wilson's Crossing Road in Auburn. The Holy Spirit continues to call us to BE THE CHURCH in the world as we focus on being the Extravagant Welcome of God in the world with several new and continuing initiatives focus on intentional welcoming.

Faith Formation: Our Christian Education Committee has focused attention on creating a welcoming place for children, youth and people of all ages. We have developed a Children's Welcome Area where the smallest ones can find a soft padded area with books and small toys to occupy them as they attend worship with their families. Children will also now find "Worship Bags" with books, puzzles, coloring pages and other items to help them engage in our faith life together. We also began a new Bible Study for adults on Monday evenings specifically designed as an introductory class for those new to the study of scripture.

There is always a "space" for you at Longmeadow - Life has been buzzing here over the past month. As you have driven by you may have noticed some heavy equipment on our property as we finally were able to break ground on resurfacing our upper parking lot in order to provide more safe parking spots. Excavation, laying of gravel and other surfacing, installation of lighting expanding the number of parking spaces available for all who come to our church. It has been a long time coming and a far larger job than we initially intended but we are delighted to create a "space" for you to join us in worship, at our Breakfasts and other activities.



### **LONGMEADOW SERVES!**



And, speaking of our Breakfasts, thank you to all who joined us for our first Community Breakfast of the season in September. Welcoming you is a blessing to us and we love to see you. This month the breakfast will be on Saturday, October 8.



Thank you also to all who stopped by our booth at the Duck Race/Auburn Day. It was wonderful to see so many people and we appreciate the support you gave us by buying our Fried Dough and baked goods.

In October we will be completing Phase 2 of our annual School Supply Drive by filling bags to be distributed to children in other parts of our country and around the world through the ecumenical Church World Service. We love serving our neighbors here in Auburn, but we also remember Jesus' teaching, "if you do good to those who are good to you, what credit is that to you? (any one can do that)". And so, we serve not only those we know, but also those we will never know.

As November approaches, we are preparing for two of our big yearly events and invite our Auburn neighbors to join with us, as you have done for many years:

- Scarves in the Park: We are once again creating scarves to help people keep warm over the coming winter months. We have recently received a large donation of yarn that we are happy to provide to those in our community who are creating scarves for the project. For more information, you can contact Pastor Ruth by calling the church at 483-2907.

- Thanksgiving Baskets: For decades our church has served our Auburn neighbors in need with our annual Thanksgiving Baskets in-gathering of food to help make the festivities of the season brighter. Donations of Gift Cards in any amount are greatly appreciated. Please contact Pastor Ruth at the church to arrange a pick-up or simply mail any gift cards from any of the local grocery stores to the church office (P.O. Box 356 Auburn, NH 03032).

We gather for worship both in-person (9:30 am) and on Zoom (11:00 a.m.) on Sundays. In addition, pre-recorded weekly Sunday Worship and Wednesday Children's Messages are available on YouTube and you can contact Pastor Ruth at the church for more information.

No matter who you are or where you are on your spiritual journey, there is always a place for you with us, whether in the building or on-line. At Longmeadow Congregational Church, we seek not just to go to church but to BE THE CHURCH! 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/>

### **The Longmeadow Breakfast is back!**

The October breakfast will be held Saturday, 10/8/22, from 7-10:00 a.m. and we are looking forward to welcoming back our Auburn friends and neighbors. Details: \$8 for adults for all-you-can-eat breakfast including: Eggs of the grill, scrambled eggs, pancakes (plain, blueberry, chocolate chip or M&M), French Toast, bacon, sausage, breakfast potatoes, toast, English Muffins, assorted home baked muffins, baked beans, fruit salad, coffee, tea, hot cocoa, milk, apple and orange juice. We hope to see you there!

PLEASE NOTE: you may have noticed that we are in the midst of upgrading our upper parking lot. Although hard work has put us ahead of schedule, the work will not be completed by Saturday. We, therefore, recommend that you consider alternatives such as car-pooling with friends, walking over if you live close enough and being patient with the limitations we are facing. Thank you for your understanding.





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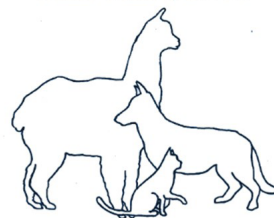
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## *News from the Auburn Historical Association*



### ***Massabesic's First Steamboat—The Daisy*** *Written by Dan Carpenter*

Left: Eaton's cabin on Loon Island

Right: The Daisy



According to "B", a newspaper correspondent, Lake Massabesic needed a steamboat to be considered a resort destination. Henry J Eaton (no relation to Auburn family) fulfilled this need by launching the sidewinder steamboat 'Daisy' in 1876. It was capable of carrying 75 passengers and was named after his 4 year old daughter.

Eaton had big plans for his steamboat. A 4 hour tour of the Massabesic Front Pond could be had for 50 cents. Eaton purchased a lot for docking privileges near the Massabesic Railroad Depot and today's Front Park. Passengers were expected to bring a picnic lunch. The "Daisy" set off on a 10 mile trip around the Front Pond. First, they traveled South across the lake to Hunting Beach. (The Hunting Family lived at 68 Hunting Rd and owned down to the lake). After lunch, the 'Daisy' headed North towards Auburn Village and Loon Island. In 1877, Eaton built a pavilion and swing sets on Loon making possible dancing, fishing, and relaxing.

People were also pushing to raise Deerneck Bridge which would allow steamboats with smokestacks to access the entire Lake. A few years later, Manchester and the State Of NH did rebuild the bridge. Patrons of the Island Pond House, Stearn's, and the Massabesic House, all on the Back Pond, could now go anywhere on the Lake.

But not everyone was happy. The "Daisy" made the newspaper again in 1879. There were rumors and safety questions raised about the boat and on June 28 it sank 200 feet from its dock. A.H. Bailey, an engineer visiting from Texas, set out to determine the cause of the accident. When the boat was raised, he was first aboard and concluded that someone had removed a 1 inch drain plug. "With confidence", Bailey reassured the public that the 'Daisy' had "perfect safety".

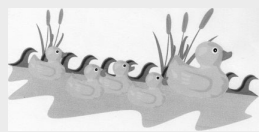
There were also questions regarding the ownership of Loon Island. Eaton had built his Pavilion there in 1877 and the MWW eventually ordered him to vacate the premises. When nothing happened, Charles K Walker, the first Superintendent of the MWW took a crew on a Sunday morning in 1885 and burned the Pavilion.

By the late 1880's, Henry J Eaton's health was becoming a problem which he blamed on his 20 career with the Boston & Maine Railroad. He sold his steamboat, "Daisy" to the Offutt brothers who owned the Massabesic House. With his two daughters and his second wife, Mary, Henry headed to California. Once there, Eaton becomes involved with the wine industry and spent the last 17 years of his life in the vineyards.

One last strange twist concerning the saga of Loon Island. In 1908, Henry J Eaton was dying in California while the Manchester Water Works was negotiating the purchase of the island from one Nellie Eaton. According to the deed, Nellie was from Manchester but no other reference to her can be found and she does not appear to be related to Henry.

Things have been quiet on Loon Island since 1908 but a turnbuckle used to anchor Eaton's Pavilion to the granite is still there to remind us of dance parties gone bye.

## *News from the Auburn Historical Association*



### **2022 Auburn Day and the 29th Annual Duck Race**



The Auburn Historical Association would like to thank the sponsors, vendors, Parks and Rec, our wonderful volunteers and the community for making this year's Auburn Day and Duck Race event a success!

Duck Race Winners - 1st place: Tom Mancini ; 2nd and 3rd place: Christian Destefano; 4th place: Paul Demoorigan; 5th place: Ron Ricker; 6th through 10th place: Peggy Neveu, Maya Villeneuve, Zoe Wood, Piper Poulin, Joe Bilskis

Apple Pie Contest Winners: 1st place: Jess Wallin; 2nd place: Jessica Traynor; 3rd place: Tarah Bergeron

The Duckling Cookie Baking Challenge winners: 1st place: Jameeli Alldredge; 2nd place: Jocelyn Way; 3rd place: Oliver Monroe.

**Thank you to all who participated and congrats to those who won!**

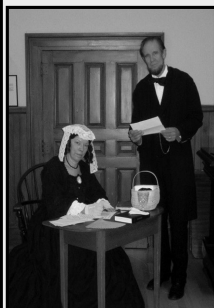


### **Volunteers Needed!**



The Auburn Historical Association is looking for volunteers for next year's Duck Race and other events. If you can spare a few hours on occasion to help out, please email us at [info@auburnhistorical.org](mailto:info@auburnhistorical.org) or check out our website: <https://www.auburnhistorical.org> to fill out a volunteer form.

### ***Our National Thanksgiving: With Thanks to President Lincoln and Mrs. Hale*** ***Nov 3, at 6:30pm at the Auburn Historical Association, 102 Hooksett Rd, Auburn, NH***



"Our National Thanksgiving: With Thanks to President Lincoln and Mrs. Hale" will be presented by Steve and Sharon Wood of Claremont. They will portray our 16th president and the editor of the popular 19th century magazine, *Godey's Lady's Book*, who was born in Newport, New Hampshire. Together they will tell the story of Sarah Josepha Hale's thirty-year campaign to have Thanksgiving declared a national holiday. Her efforts were successful when Lincoln signed his Thanksgiving Proclamation in 1863.

The Woods are historical presenters specializing in 19th century American history. Steve has been a Lincoln presenter since 1995 and has presented his program, *A Visit with Abraham Lincoln*, for schools, libraries, historical societies and community events.

In addition to portraying Mary Todd Lincoln, Sharon also offers several other first person historical programs set in the same time period. She has done considerable research on Sarah Hale, who is generally remembered more for her children's poem, *Mary's Lamb*, and her lifelong campaign for a Thanksgiving holiday, than for the influence she had on American culture through her widely read magazine. Sharon was honored to portray Mrs. Hale at the dedication of the Sarah Josepha Hale Memorial Park next to the Richards Free Library in Newport in November, 2013.

This program is sponsored in part by New Hampshire Humanities and is free and open to the public.

After the program, the Woods will step out of character and answer audience questions. More information about their programs can be found on their Website at <http://his-story.atspace.com> or on Facebook at Telling His-Story (and Hers)



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