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Reminder: Only one household waste collection each year, effective in 2018. Our Spring collection was in May, 2018 this year. If you need information about waste resources, please see our website page http://hamptonfalls.org/Pages/HamptonFallsNH_Recycling/index

HOLLY E. KNOWLES, TOWN CLERK

Office Hours: Mon-Tues-Thurs 8:30 A.M. -12:00 P.M.; 1:00 P.M. - 3:30 P.M.
Fridays, January Through May 9:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

LATE 2018 DOG LICENSES

ALL DOGS IN TOWN SHOULD HAVE BEEN LICENSED BY APRIL 30 as required by state RSA 466:1. If you no longer own a dog(s), call 926-4618, Ext. 1, or e-mail us at townclerk@hamptonfalls.org; and we will remove your name from the list.

Otherwise, please license your dog(s) ASAP either in person or on-line to avoid the required call/visit from our dog officer (written notifications of the additional \$25 per dog civil forfeiture (RSA 466:13) have already been sent). Rabies vaccination certificate(s) are only required if rabies expiration date has expired.

VEHICLE REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Please show photo I.D. for all motor vehicle transactions (for your insurance fraud protection).

-Renewals and transfers require the original, current registration(s) RSA 261:168 (copies are to be kept in your vehicle(s)).

-A notarized Power of Attorney is required when signing a title application for another person (even your spouse).

-Please allow time for processing your transactions by arriving as far in advance of our closing times of noon and 3:30 p.m. as possible (by 11:45 a.m. or 3:15 p.m. at the very latest).

-A limit of 2 “regular” (renewals) vehicle transactions per person after 3:15 p.m. please. Financial closeouts are required daily at 3:30 p.m. Credit/debit card transactions are closed at 3:15 p.m.

-All transactions may be done through the mail if you can’t get in to our office (call 926-4618, Ext. 1 or E-mail us (townclerk@hamptonfalls.org) for instructions.

-Only ONE check required payable to “Town of Hampton Falls” which now includes town and state fees for your vehicle registration(s).

-All Major Credit/Debit Cards are accepted for payment. An additional credit/debit card fee (percentage of your total amount) applies to all card transactions.

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Cash payments should be as close to the amount due as possible -- no large bills please (we keep limited cash).

INTERNET VEHICLE RENEWALS

We recommend completing your vehicle renewal(s) over the internet (E-Reg). Click on the plate link on the Town Clerk's web page (www.hamptonfalls.org) for instructions, and you will receive your registration(s) and decal(s) through the mail. Renewals over 3 months late and residents wanting to make changes, complete transfers or obtain new plates will still need to come in to the office.

FILING FOR A MARRIAGE LICENSE

Please call ahead to schedule an early afternoon appointment when coming in to apply for a new marriage license. Limited staff prevents us from being able to process a license "on the spot." The cost is \$50 and requires both persons' I.Ds and final divorce or death certificates if filing for a subsequent marriage other than your first.

VITAL RECORDS AND 3-YEAR DUMP STICKERS ON-LINE

You can request "certified" copies of NH Birth, Death, Marriage and Divorce certificates on-line by choosing Vital Records on the town web page which will take you to EB2Gov for processing. Limited staff prevents us from being able to produce certified copies "on the spot." Requests for self-cling, 3-year brush dump stickers are available on-line or from the Town Clerk's office at a cost of \$30 each.

SEPTEMBER 11 PRIMARY AND NOVEMBER 6 GENERAL ELECTIONS

The State application for absentee ballots is available on the Town website. Absentee ballots for the September 11 Primary are now available for registered voters who qualify.

TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE CLOSED FRIDAYS

A reminder that the Town Clerk's office will be closed on Fridays from June through December.

TAX COLLECTOR -- STEPHANIE GRANT

Phone: 603-926-4618, ext. 4

Fax: 603-926-1848

taxcollector@hamptonfalls.org

Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 8 a.m. - Noon and 1-3 p.m.

Please note that the July tax due date is past and interest is now accruing. Please make sure you call or check online for the most current balance before sending a check in.

Credit/Debit card payments and electronic checks are accepted online for property taxes. Please be aware there is a 2.95% charge for all credit/debit transactions and a \$1.95 charge for checks. This is a **bank processing fee** and it is **not** charged or retained by the Town of Hampton Falls. You can pay/view your tax bill by visiting the home page at www.hamptonfalls.org and

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clicking on Property Taxes Review/Pay online button. You can also view your property taxes online and access detailed payment and balance information, 24 hours a day.

Just a reminder that if you send in your payment after the due date of July 2, the payment is considered late and interest will begin to accrue daily. Please call, email or visit the new tax kiosk on our website for an updated payoff amount.

BUILDING INSPECTOR/ HEALTH OFFICER – MARK SIKORSKI

926-4618 ext. 5

Office Hours: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 8:00 AM – Noon

YARD SALE PERMIT REMINDER: Please allow at least one week of advance time for approval of a yard sale application. Should you have questions with regard to yard sale permit processing, contact Building Inspector Mark Sikorski. Applications can be obtained at the Town Hall or from the Town's website.

The Town of Hampton Falls ordinance with regard to yard sales (garage sales, barn sales, tent sales, moving sales) includes, but is not limited to, the following requirements that are verified by the Building Inspector at the time of application:

- ☐ A yard sale permit, at no charge, shall be issued for up to two yard sales in a calendar year and must be held on the property owned by the applicant.
- ☐ The duration of the permit is for no more than two successive days, with the time of start to be specified on the application, including rain date(s).
- ☐ Yard Sale signs must meet the Town's sign ordinance and shall be removed at the close of the yard sale.
- ☐ The yard sale shall not approach to less than 25 feet from any road or street.

Cooler days are appearing. Have you scheduled your furnace cleaning and system check? Service companies have time for you now. Keep the environment inside your home free of dangerous fumes. Get your system running at peak performance now and save fuel all winter!

FIRE DEPARTMENT-- CHIEF JAY LORD

Just a few quick thoughts:

- ☐ We do teach the new "hands only" CPR if you are interested.
- ☐ While we are not into the heating season yet, now is a good time to have your heating appliances (wood stoves, furnaces, etc.) checked so you don't have a problem during the winter.
- ☐ Don't forget to get your burning permits for fall clean-ups – no leaf burning.
- ☐ We are on Facebook at Hampton Falls Fire Department.
- ☐ Call 926-5752 if you have a question or **9-1-1** for emergencies (no you're NOT bothering us...it's what we are trained to do).

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HISTORICAL SOCIETY -- ANNE COOMBS, SECRETARY

Due to the generosity of the Edgerly Family of Hampton Falls, we have a very nice size collection of Indian artifacts which were actually discovered in the fields around the Edgerly Farm which was on Route 1 across from the Common with fields going down Depot Road. Jacob Tumelaire, Archaeologist with an archaeological consulting firm has been cataloging the collection. He was able to tell us that the Society's collection includes projectile points and tools from millennia of regional prehistory and that two of the scrapers date to the Paleo-Indian period roughly 10,000 years ago! The Society's Annual Meeting will be held Tuesday evening October 16th in the Museum, and we have invited Jacob to be our speaker and present the collection. This is such an exciting piece of history to have in our possession. The Annual Meeting with speaker is open to the public at no charge, and we hope you will join us for this unveiling. Children are welcome.

As mentioned in the last newsletter, Laura Batchelder, a descendent of Wallace and Florence Batchelder, donated boxes of family collectibles. We have been going through these to catalogue them and have enjoyed many Batchelder family pictures from over the years. We have also received a collection of documents, pictures, etc. from the Farley Family. These have not been viewed except for the large oil painting of the Grist Mill in Sudbury, Mass. We always appreciate collectibles from the families that established Hampton Falls. These are what help support our efforts to **"....illuminate the history of Hampton Falls and its people."**

The Museum is open Saturdays from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM until October 6th. Please stop in to view and enjoy what your donations and membership dues support. We are a 501(c)(3) non-profit entity and receive no tax based revenue to support our operational costs. Your support is needed and much appreciated. Please like us on Facebook and visit us at www.hamptonfallshs.org.

HERITAGE COMMITTEE - BEVERLY MUTRIE, CHAIR

In order to clear up any confusion about the differences between the Heritage Commission and the Historical Society, we submit the following:

The Hampton Falls Heritage Commission's focus is "to inspire and encourage preservation of the heritage of Hampton Falls." According to RSA 674:44-a, the purpose of a Heritage Commission is "for the proper recognition, use and protection of resources, tangible or intangible, primarily man-made, that are valued for their historic, cultural, aesthetic, or community significance." The voters approved forming our Heritage Commission and a Heritage Fund at the same time in March 2008. According to RSA 673:4-a, the Board of Selectmen appoints 5 residents as Commissioners, one of which must be a Selectman. Each member serves for 3 years and up to five alternates can be appointed. Generally, we advise and assist other local boards and commissions, conduct inventories, educate the public on historical resources, and serve as a resource for revitalization efforts. A Heritage Commission can also accept and expend funds in a non-lapsing heritage fund, acquire and manage property, and hold preservation easements. Our Heritage Commission is also charged with ruling on any Demolition Permit of an historic structure. Our current Commission members are, Beverly Mutrie, Chair, David French, Vice-Chair, Mary Ann Hill and Phil Chura. Jim Ziolkowski is the Selectman/Commissioner.

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In contrast, the Hampton Falls Historical Society was established in 1984 as a private non-profit organization, with dues paying members. Its eleven or so member Board of Trustees is elected for three year terms at an annual meeting in October. It then appoints its officers from the new Board of Trustees. Its basic purpose is to "Investigate, Collect, Preserve, Elucidate and Communicate whatsoever may relate to the history of Hampton Falls." The Society meets monthly and accepts donations of money, as well as ephemera and artifacts for their Museums, the old East Schoolhouse and what was the old Library Building. The East Schoolhouse, next to the Library, is owned by the Society, whereas the Museum is leased from the town.

At the moment, the Heritage Commission is diligently compiling a survey of Hampton Falls' Historic Resources including monuments, markers, cemeteries and buildings. This survey will hopefully be complete by 2022 and will be published to celebrate our Tricentennial. We hope everyone will allow us to photograph their historic property and would answer questions we have about its past. As always, we welcome alternates and interested residents to help with this task.

Beverly Mutrie, Chair

TRICENTENNIAL COMMITTEE - BETSY DEXTER

The Tricentennial Committee has been on a brief hiatus during the summer months, but plans for a commemorative Christmas tree ornament have been submitted to Hampshire Pewter and they should be available to sell this fall. In the meantime, a good supply of tee shirts, ball caps, hoodies, and golf shirts with the Tricentennial logo are on sale at Applecrest Farm Market in a variety of sizes. We will have a table at the Hampton Falls Library book sale on Saturday, September 22nd to answer questions and sign up volunteers to help plan and carry out future activities. The Committee usually meets on the second Tuesday of the month at 1:15 at the Town Offices. Visitors welcome!

Library News for September-October, 2018

Another Change of the Seasons....

As we droop in the heat and humidity of August, we can look forward to September with promises of comfortable nights, apples, pumpkins, and festivals. Here at the Library, we are wrapping up Summer Reading and planning some exciting programs for the Fall that we hope you will enjoy.

Adult Summer Reading

The Adult Summer Reading Program will end on Friday, August 24, 2018. To date, over 100 adults and teens have participated in the program and filled out raffle tickets for every book read. Our wonderful local merchants Prim Fashion Boutique, Hampton Falls Village Market, The Old Salt Tavern, Dodge's Agway, Coastal Living Paint and Hardware, Quicksilver Fine Jewelry, Drinkwater Flowers and Design, Carolyn Fusco LMT, the Friends of the Library, and Karen Gulla have donated prizes for the Adult Summer Reading Program. We are always overwhelmed by the continuing generosity and support of our local businesses who do so much for the community.

Labor Day Weekend

The Library will be closed on Saturday, September 1. Regular Saturday hours (10-2) will resume on Saturday, September 8.

Fall Programs

Wednesday, September 12 at 6:30 p.m.

Herbal Gifts from the Garden

Join Rita Wollmering, founder and manager of the HERB FARMacy in Salisbury, MA, as she demonstrates how to create gifts such as vinegars and oils using the bounty of herbs from our gardens. The Library gratefully acknowledges the Friends of the Library who sponsored this program.

Saturday, September 22 from 10-2

Annual Library Book Sale

The Annual Library Book Sale will take place on **Saturday, September 22 from 10-2 p.m.** We are currently accepting donations of gently used children's and adult books and DVDs. If you would like to help sort and set up books for the sale, please visit or call the Library at 926-3682. Books will be generally priced at \$1 for hardcover and \$.50 for paperback books. "Coffee table books" will be priced higher. In keeping with tradition, the Hampton Falls Boy Scouts will be holding a bake sale to benefit the children's Summer Reading Program. The Hampton Falls Historical Society will be staffing the Old Schoolhouse, and the Tricentennial Committee will be on hand to answer question about Hampton Falls' upcoming anniversary celebration.

Wednesday, September 26 – all day

Friends of the Library Noche Mexicana Fundraiser

As part of their *Partnerships with a Purpose* program, Margaritas on Portsmouth Ave in Exeter will donate 20% of your dinner bill to the Friends. Participants must have a certificate which will be available in the Library, on the Library's website, and through Facebook.

Wednesday, October 10 at 5:00 p.m.

Beaded Bracelet-Making Workshop

This workshop is for adults and children in 5th grade and up. Please see Carol Sanborn for a list of supplies to purchase before the workshop.

Tuesday, October 16 at 6:30 p.m.

The Shaker Legacy

Darryl Thompson explores the contributions of the Shakers in the areas of agriculture, medicine, music, furniture design, and women's rights and shares some of his personal memories of the Canterbury Shakers. This program is funded by NH Humanities.

Adult Book Discussion Group

On September 25, the group will be discussing When the World Came to Town: 9/11 in Gander, Newfoundland by Jim Defede. After the terrorists' attacks of September 11, all air traffic was halted. Planes on their way to US airports landed in Canadian airports. Thirty-eight planes carrying 6,579 passengers landed in the small town of Gander, Newfoundland whose residents accommodated them in schools, churches, clubs, and private homes. This book is now a Broadway musical, "Come from Away." The October selection is noted author Tracy Chevalier's Remarkable Creatures. This historical fiction features Mary Anning and Elizabeth Philpot, two very diverse women in eighteenth century England who made some of the most astounding discoveries of fossils. The October meeting will be a week early, on October 23. Copies of the books are available at the Library and new members are always welcome.

Thought for the season:

"There shall be eternal summer in the grateful heart." Celia Thaxter, NH author, artist and Isles of Shoals gardener.

Best wishes always,
Barbara Tosiano
Library Director

LIBRARY YOUTH SERVICES

The "Libraries Rock!" Summer Reading Program was a great success! Congratulations to all who participated and thank you for a fun-filled summer!

I would like to give special thanks to:

Our Sponsors:

The Hampton Rotary Club
The Hampton Falls Boy Scouts
The Pimentel Family
The Friends of the Library

To Those Who Gave Donations:

Bead Creative
The Book Outlet
The Boston Museum of Science
Canobie Lake Park
Captain's Cove Adventure Golf
Cinnamon Rainbows Surf Co
The Creamery – Applecrest Farm Orchards
The Davidson Family
George and Phillips Sporting Goods
Hampton Falls Fire Department
Hannaford Supermarket
Las Olas Taqueria
Robin Nicholas:
 ARTastic Playplace
 Confetti Toys and Gifts
 Sweet Snips
Santa's Village
Story Land
Traci Thompson
Wal-Mart of Seabrook
Water Country

And, a thanks to those who donated their time!

STORY TIMES!

Sign up for all Story Times begin Tuesday, September 11th at 10 AM. You can sign up by coming into the Library or giving us a call. Please do not e-mail us to sign up.

The Baby-Toddler Story Time is for newborns through age 2. It is held on Tuesdays from 10:30 – 11 AM. It will begin on September 18th and run through December 4th. Siblings are welcome!

The After School Story Time for 1st – 4th graders will be held on **Tuesdays**. The program will run from 3 – 3:45 PM. It will begin on September 18th and run through December 4th. It will consist of snack, stories, and a craft. **Space is limited.**

Story Times will be held on Wednesdays from 1:30 – 2 PM and on Thursdays from 10:30 – 11 AM. They begin on Wednesday, September 19th and Thursday, September 20th and will run until December 5th and 6th. **There will be no Story Times on November 21st and November 22nd.**

Kindergarten Club! This is a Story Time JUST for those in Kindergarten. It will be held on Wednesdays from 3 – 3:45 PM. **This program will begin on Wednesday, October 3rd** and run through December 5th. It will consist of snack, stories and a craft. **Space is limited. There will be no Story Time on November 21st.**

SPECIAL PROGRAMS!

Puppet Show! Wednesday, September 12th from 4 – 4:45 PM Please join “Carol and Crew” for some fun! No sign up required.

Lego Club! Thursday, September 13th and October 11th from 4 – 4:45 PM for children in Kindergarten on up. The Legos will be provided (but they stay in the Library so we'll have

them for the next program!). Come ready to use your imagination! Please sign up for each program individually in advance. **Please note, this is not a program that children should take the bus to the Library.**

The 5th – 8th Grade Book Discussion Group welcomes new members! The dates for the upcoming meetings are Wednesday, September 19th and Wednesday, October 17th. The discussion runs from 6:30 – 7:15 PM.

Yoga! The schedule is as follows:

K – 4th Grade: Thursdays, September 6th and October 4th from 4 – 4:45 PM

Ages 2 – 5 with a parent or caregiver: Fridays, September 7th, 21st, October 5th and 19th from 10:30 – 11 AM.

Grades 5 – 8: Wednesdays, September 5th and October 3rd from 6:30 – 7:30 PM

Please sign up for each class individually in advance as space is limited.

Donations! We always welcome donations for the many crafts we do at the library and/or snacks for our programs. Craft ideas include construction paper, glue sticks, tacky glue, fabric glue, water colors, finger paints, colored tissue paper, tube socks (new), pipe cleaners, playdough etc. If there is something you don't see on the list that you would like to donate, please ask! Also, if you have an idea for a program, please stop in and talk with me about your thoughts!

Thank you!

Carol Sanborn

Head of Youth Services

Hampton Falls School District News

2018-2019 School Year

September/October 2018

School Board News

The School Board would like to notify the town that the building project is underway! Lavallee Brensinger Architects, Eckman Construction, Trident Project Management Company, members of the School Board, and community have met throughout the summer to get this project off to a great start. The Board plans to hold **public forums** to keep the community informed of progress. Look for upcoming notices and stay up to date.

Back to School

The 2018-2019 school year has begun and the School Board would like to wish our returning teachers, staff, students, and their families a wonderful new school year! We'd also like to welcome new families and staff to Lincoln Akerman School; Interim Director of Special Services - Jean Parsons, Sarah Parrotto, guidance, Emily Stockbridge, Spanish, Amanda Knight, grade 8 math, Meg Murphy, BCBA, Melissa McGuire, librarian. The school calendar is full of information. You can find this on the LAS website along with announcements and news. Even those community members without students are welcome and encouraged to attend a school or community event.

One example is the Open House and PTO Ice Cream Social on September 20, 6-7:30 PM. Come take a tour and enjoy some ice cream!

Current Hampton Falls School Board Members

Mark Lane, Chair

Greg Parish, Vice Chair

Pamela Miller

John Bailly

Greg Marrow

mlane@sau21.org

gparish@sau21.org

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The Hampton Falls School Board usually meets once a month for regular meetings on the second Thursday of each month. Hampton Falls residents are encouraged to attend meetings. Or, you can watch us on the internet, as we are streaming our monthly meetings live (you can also watch them later in the archive form as well). The online meeting video library can be accessed on the LAS home page (www.sau21.org/las). Information about meeting dates and times, agendas and minutes are available on line at www.sau21.org.

Current Hampton Falls Representative to the Winnacunnet School Board

David Gandt

dgandt@sau21.org

Winnacunnet is off to a busy year, as usual. Sports have already begun as well as events to welcome students and families. Check the website for up to date information. The calendar will include happenings such as: Senior Parent Night-September 19th, 2019 Comic Book Fundraiser-September 22nd, 2023 Parent overview-October 4th, and Parent Conferences-October 4th.

Winnacunnet School Board meetings are usually scheduled on the 3rd Wednesday of the month. Meeting agendas, minutes and videos are available on line at www.sau21.org.