



Town Talk

The Newsletter of the Town of Lincoln, NH

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Town Manager's Update - Peter Joseph, Town Manager

I know it's hard to imagine it on a 15 degree day with snow drifting and blowing sideways, but Spring is just around the corner. In addition to the crowds enjoying Spring skiing and boarding, longer days, and milder weather, this is also the time for Town Meeting and the beginning of maintenance and construction season.

Annual Town Meeting will be held on March 10, 2009. Voting will be from 10AM to 6PM and the open meeting portion will follow at 7:30PM. We have many capital maintenance and construction projects planned for this year, and Town Meeting is where the funding for these projects is discussed and voted on. Traditional New England-style Town Meeting is unique in the fact that it acts as the legislative branch of Town government, yet unlike the NH Legislature or the US Congress, every registered voter can attend and cast their vote. While the Board of Selectmen and Town Manager have the opportunity to direct the day-to-day operations of the Town, they must always act within the budget and policy guidelines established by Town Meeting. Resident attendance and participation are vital at Town Meeting, so I strongly urge you to attend.

On another note, last Summer the Board of Selectmen (along with some residents and business owners) requested Town staff to begin a careful inspection of all new signs and existing portable or temporary signs to ensure that they were in compliance with the revisions to the sign ordinance passed at last year's Town Meeting. If you're a business owner in Town, and you want to put up a new sign, change an existing sign, or use temporary signs (such as an A-frame or banner), this requires a sign permit. Please take the time to review the requirements of the ordinance and apply for a permit before ordering or putting up a new sign. If you use banners, A-frames, or other portable signs on your property, please understand that there are special requirements and limitations for these signs under the ordinance. Understanding these requirements can help us to avoid conflicts as the snow melts and more people begin to advertise and do business outdoors.

As always, if you have any questions or concerns please don't hesitate to contact me at 603-745-2757 or by email at town-manager@lincolnnh.org.

-Peter Joseph, Town Manager

Board of Selectmen:

Peter Moore, Chairman
Deanna Huot
Patricia McTeague

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Solid Waste Report by Paul Beaudin, Facility Manager

Just a reminder that the Solid Waste Facility does not accept paint during the winter months, from November 1, 2008 to April 15, 2009.

Committee Updates by Susan Chenard, Admin. Asst.



A reminder that we are looking for people to join the Energy and Water Conservation Committee and the Village Core Committee. The Energy and Water Committee meets next on March 18th, and Village Core will meet on April 7th. Both meetings are at 5pm at the Town Hall, and usually posted on Channel 3 as well.



Recreation News by Tara Tower, CPRP, Recreation Director

Recreation Basketball is in full swing! Their season will run through February and promises to provide some great fun & skill development. 4 Year olds - 1st graders play on Saturday mornings, and are coached by **Ted Russell**. The 2nd & 3rd graders play on Saturdays, and on Tuesday afternoons, and their coach is **Debbie O'Connor**. The 4th, 5th & 6th grade girls & boys teams will be playing games throughout January and February. **Lori VanHouten** coaches the girls, and **Mark Harrington** coaches the Boys.

The Afterschool program is for Kindergarteners to 4th graders and runs Monday – Friday during the school year. The kids are picked up at the elementary school after school and from 2:30 to 5:00 pm they play indoor and outdoor games, go to the community center and play dance-dance revolution, board games, puzzles, take part in group activities, paint and do arts and crafts. They also have time to do their homework and a snack. The rates are \$8/day, \$25/ week or \$120 for an 8-week session. They can attend one day or everyday as needed!

The Outing Club program is for students in the 5th-8th grades. It runs every Thursday that there is school, from 2:30-5:00pm. The activities vary each week. Many trips do not have a cost. All we need is

a current “outing club” emergency form on file. Pick up your trip calendar today!

The Girls Softball Pitching Program is for girls in the middle and high school, who are interested in working on their pitching skills. This program runs on Sundays from 3:30-5pm in the high school gym. You don't need to sign up, it is free, and you can go as many times as you want to!

The Kanc Ski area offers a rope tow ski area, a beginner ski slope, a skating rink, and a sledding hill. The Ski slope hours are Monday thru Thursday from 3-5pm, Saturdays and Sundays from 10am to 4pm, night skiing on Wednesdays and Saturdays from 7-9pm, and adult only race nights on Tuesdays from 7-9pm. Rates and details are available by calling “the Kanc” at 745-2831.

Adult Indoor Basketball is offered during the winter on Saturday nights at the High School gym. This program runs from 6:30-9:00 pm, and is open to all interested adults.

Open Gym Programs are offered on Sundays in the High School gym. This is for middle school students from 5-6:30 pm and for High School Students from 6:30-8:00 pm. This program is also free!

Adult Indoor Soccer is offered during the winter on

Sundays at the High School gym. This program runs from 8-10pm, and is open to all interested adults.

The **Lincoln-Woodstock Food Pantry** is located at the Father Roger Bilodeau Community Center, and is open Tuesdays from 11am-2pm, or Thursday evenings from 5-7pm. If you are unable to come during these times, or for more information you may contact Food Pantry Coordinator, Teneil Rineer at the community center at 745-8958. The Food Pantry is always in need of several items: bread, milk, butter, yogurt, cheese, baby food, diapers, juice, pasta, peanut butter, tuna, jelly, canned tomatoes, soups, toilet paper, evaporated milk and cereals. Monetary donations are always welcome, and can be dropped off at the community center any weekday between 10:00 am and 5:00 pm. Checks should be made out to the Lincoln-Woodstock Food Pantry.

For more information on any of these programs check out the Recreation Newsletter also available online at www.lincolnnh.org. If you have any questions about any of the above programs, or about receiving a copy of upcoming newsletters, call the Recreation Department today at 745-8673. Have a great winter, and remember to take the time to enjoy your local area!

Library News by Carol Riley, Library Director

I am writing this report with the thought that not all residents visit the library. In these economic times, I want to extend an invitation to all Lincoln residents to use the resources that the Lincoln Public Library has to offer. We have best selling fiction, and non-fiction in both the adult and children's books, reference materials. We offer 6 different newspapers daily for your perusal, Wall Street Journal, Boston Globe, USA Today, New York Times, Union Leader, and the Littleton Courier. We also have online access to the Consumer Reports and Wall Street Journal.

We have audio books, and an online downloadable book service, DVD'S and 35+ magazines. We have 6 internet access computers. Our Friends of Lincoln Library group sup-

ports many different cultural programs and services.

This year we had several programs from the NHPTV for the children, and 4 Currier Museum of Art programs. Our Story Time for preschoolers and toddlers is continuing and we invite parents to bring their children to these programs.

We host book discussion groups, and knitting groups. We also co-sponsor with the Upper Pemigewasset Historical Society, which adds to our programming throughout the year.

Please take a few minutes and stop by the library and see what we have to offer you and your families. All of these services are **FREE OF CHARGE**.

Get your library card today. The library is the **PLACE TO BE!**



The Lincoln Public Library hours are
Monday-Friday 12:00pm-8:00pm
Saturday 10:00am-2:00pm
22 Church Street, Lincoln
745-8159

library@lincolnnh.org

I want to thank the community for its continued support of all the resources the library offers.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Riley
Library Director



Public Works Reminder by Bill Willey, Public Works Director

The Town has re-instituted winter parking regulations for all town roads. There shall be no parking between the hours of 11 PM and 6 AM from November 1st through April 15th. Vehicles will be towed at Owner's expense.

The purpose of this winter parking ban is to allow winter maintenance crews unobstructed snow removal and ice control routes, as much as possible, to maintain the maximum effectiveness of their efforts. This helps us keep the streets clear and keeps you safer as you travel through Town following a snowstorm.





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HOURS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Town Manager & Selectmen's Office...Mon. - Fri. 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Planning & Zoning Office.....Mon. - Fri. 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
Town Clerk/Tax Collector.....Mon. - Fri. 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Solid Waste Facility.....Every day but Wed. 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Recreation Department.....Mon. - Thurs.8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Lincoln Public Library.....Mon. - Fri. Noon - 8:00 p.m. and
Sat.10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

TELEPHONE / E-MAIL DIRECTORY

www.lincolnnh.org

FIRE EMERGENCY 911
AMBULANCE EMERGENCY 911
POLICE EMERGENCY 911
NH POISON CONTROL CENTER 1-800-562-8236

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Town Manager..... townmanager@lincolnnh.org 745-2757
Fax Number..... 745-6743
Town Clerk /Tax Collector.....townclerk@lincolnnh.org 745-8971
Planning/Zoning Department planning@lincolnnh.org..... 745-8527
Communications Center (Dispatch).....745-2238
Police Department (Business Line) tpsmith@roadrunner.com745-2238
Police Department Admin. Asst..... 745-2238
Police Department Fax No..... 745-8694
Fire Department (Business Line).....745-2344
Solid Waste Facility lwsolidwaste@lincolnnh.org 745-6626
Public Works Garage..... 745-6250
Water Treatment Plant..... 745-9306
Wastewater Treatment Plant..... 745-3829
Lincoln Public Library library@lincolnnh.org 745-8159
Recreation Director's Office recreation@lincolnnh.org 745-8673
Kancamagus Recreation Area..... 745-2831
Father Roger Bilodeau Community Center..... 745-8958

Fire Department News, by Nate Haynes, Fire Chief



Some reminders from the Fire Chief in time for the winter:

- Remember to have your fireplace inspected annually.
- Remember that a wood-stove and furnace cannot share the same flue.
- Remember that your furnace needs to get air.

If you have any questions on these subjects, or would like the Fire Chief to come and inspect the safety of your property set-up, just call and leave a message at 745-2344.

Tax Rate Info

Total: \$8.50 per thousand of valuation. Includes \$3.18 for the Town, \$1.83 for local school, \$2.15 for state school and \$1.34 for county. We are at 99.3% valuation.

