



Town Talk

Town of Lincoln

October 21, 2008

Town Manager's Update by Peter Joseph, Town Manager

At a recent meeting between the Lincoln and Woodstock Boards of Selectmen, a study of the Lincoln-Woodstock Solid Waste Facility was presented by the North Country Council. This study was commissioned by the two Towns to determine how our facility was viewed by our residents, and how it stacked up to other transfer stations and recycling centers in the area. The good news is that according to a survey that was part of the study, most residents are satisfied or very satisfied with the level of service provided by our facility. The study showed that facility manager Paul Beaudin and his staff do a good job with both the customer service side, and the operations/efficiency side. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank Paul, Jackie, and James for all the work they do for us. Our facility boasted one of the lowest costs per tax-

payer in the region. Of course, there is always room for improvement, and both Boards of Selectmen will be working with Paul over the coming months to further improve the services the Solid Waste Facility offers to our residents. A summary of the results from the study can be found www.lincolnnh.org on the Solid Waste page under the Town Government tab.

One surprising result of the survey was that only 68% of the respondents to the survey said they recycled. This figure is supported by the fact that approximately 1,100 tons each year are processed as MSW (trash, processed through the compactor), while only 500 tons are processed as comingled recycled materials. The reader might ask "why is recycling important to the average resident reading this newsletter"? Or, "why should I spend the extra few min-

utes every week separating my recyclables before dropping them at the Solid Waste Facility"? The short answer is that every ton of solid waste that is processed as MSW costs \$50 more to dispose of than to recycle. This means that every time you separate your recyclables, you are reducing the cost to the Town to run the Solid Waste Facility, and helping to lower your tax rate. This is a very simple step that we all can take to increase the efficiency of Town operations. If you're unsure of how or what to recycle at the Solid Waste Facility, Paul or his staff would be glad to answer your questions the next time you're at the Facility, so don't hesitate to ask.

Thanks for reading, and enjoy the beautiful Fall weather while it lasts!

-Peter Joseph,
Town Manager

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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 always looking for people to join the Energy and Water Conservation Committee and the Village Core Committee, which meet about once a month. Wednesday, October 22nd, at 5pm at the Community Center, will be a program titled How to reduce Your Home Energy Use this Winter. Come and join us!



Recreation News by Tara Tower, CPRP, Recreation Director



The **fall soccer program** is in full swing for 4 year olds—6th graders.

This year the players were divided into a 4 & 5-year-old team, a 1st & 2nd grade team, two 3rd & 4th grade teams, and one co-ed 5th & 6th grade team. The coaches are Ted & Hope Russell, Herman Pfeuti, Nick Smith, Aaron Loukes, Mark Harrington, Kevin Savoy, and Sean Woods. Our referees have been Tom Bentley and Marissa Haase. They will continue to practice, play in games, and attend tournaments during the month of October, so come and support them by cheering them on!

The After School Program started again for the year on Tuesday, September 2nd. This program is for students in Kindergarten thru the Fourth Grade. Staff members meet the students at the front of the Elementary school building each school day immediately after school. Weather permitting they play outdoors, then head to the community center for snack time, home-work/ quite time, and then have time to do crafts or play group games. Students are picked up at 5:00 pm. Costs are \$8/ day, \$25/ week, or \$120 for an 8-week session. For more information you can contact Teneil Rineer, Program Coordinator at the Community Center at 745-8958.

The **Outing Club** is running on Tuesdays and Thursdays this fall. This is for students in the 5th-8th grades. Rec. and ADAPT staff meet participants in the school parking lot with either the Rec. or ADAPT van immediately after school, and students are picked up at the

Community Center at 4:30 pm. For more information you can contact Teneil Rineer, Program Coordinator at the Community Center at 745-8958.

The **Gymnastics program** is running until October 24th on Friday afternoons at the elementary school MRP. This program is being offered by Shannon O'Connor, and includes an end of class visit to Evergreen Studio in Lisbon.



Fall Swim Program will be offered in November and December.

Because the Alpine Club (where we normally hold swim programs) is closing we are in the process of locating another indoor pool that has a 3-foot deep shallow end and would be available for this program. A separate flyer will be sent out in the school and to the mailing list. Please call for more information.

Fall Senior Citizen Trips including: On Tuesday, September 30th Loon Mountain donated a bus and driver to transport 26 of our Lin-Wood senior citizens to the **Fryeburg Fair** for the Free Senior Citizen day. Although the day started off with showers, it improved from there and everyone enjoyed this once a year fair experience! On Tuesday, October 21st will be heading out on our annual **Fall Foliage Trip**. This year we will be going to Windy Ridge Orchard, and then for lunch at P&H Truck stop. On Tuesday, November 18th we will be heading out on our annual **Christmas Shopping Trip**. We will be heading to The Christmas Tree Shops in Salem and then to the Rockingham Mall. If you would

like more information on any of these trips, or to sign up please call 745-8673.

The Friends of Recreation 12th Annual Holiday Craft Fair will be held on Saturday, November 8th from 10am-4pm and on Sunday, November 9th from 10am-2pm at the Lin-Wood MHS building. No entry fee and door prizes drawn every hour! Crafters: limited space is still available. To volunteer for this event, or for more information please call Friends of Rec. President Stacey Caulder at 745-6599.

The Friends of Recreation annual Just for Kids Shopping Event will be held on Friday, December 5th from 4-6pm and on Saturday, December 6th from 10am-12pm. This event allows children under 12 to shop without their parents, the younger children are helped by an elf. Gift prices range from \$.25 to \$5, and all gifts are wrapped and labeled by volunteers on site. To volunteer for this event, or for more information please call Friends of Rec. President Stacey Caulder at 745-6599.



For more information on any of these programs check out the September/ October Recreation Newsletter or the website at www.lincolnnh.org. Upcoming winter activities will include: Kanc Ski Area information and programs, basketball program information, community center winter programming, and much more! If you have any questions call the Recreation Department today at 745-8673. Have a great fall!

Library News by Carol Riley, Library Director

Heritage Arts Traveling Exhibit visits Lincoln Public Library for the month of October

Discovering Heritage Arts in New Hampshire is a traveling exhibit celebrating some of the music and craft traditions that are important to the heritage of Hampshire. The exhibit is drawn from the newest educational activities on the New Hampshire Folklife website (www.nh.gov/folklife). The website is an educational resource developed by the New Hampshire State Council on the Arts' Traditional Arts Program.

Discovering Heritage Arts in New Hampshire will be visiting nine public libraries and one historical society from June through October. The exhibit focuses on eight traditional art forms: ash basket making; sheep sheering & spinning; stone wall building; blacksmithing; fly tying; dog sled making; contra dance & music; and a French Canadian soir e.

Original artworks were commissioned from New Hampshire illustrators and text panels help identify words for processes, forms and tools, unique to each tradition. Learning the language of traditions is a key step in learning more about them.

The related activities on the New Hampshire Folklife website are called *Heritage Arts Build-A-Pictures*. They have been de-

signed for young people 3rd grade and up and take advantage of new web technology that allows the images to be assembled as virtual jigsaw puzzles. In the process of putting together the puzzle, students can read about the tradition and are invited to write a poem. This new set of activities, as well as other sections of the New Hampshire folklife website, is especially helpful for teachers of all grade levels who are covering units on New Hampshire history. For more information call 745-8159

The exhibit and folklife website are projects of the New Hampshire State Council on the Arts with funding from the National Endowment for the Arts.



JOIN MYSTERY AUTHORS

NANCY MEANS WRIGHT, CINDY DAVIS and Marilyn Rothstein, a.k.a M.E. KEMP for a panel discussion on their books and what it takes to write a mystery. *Book signing after the program.*

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2008 at 7:00 pm

Upper Pemigewasset Historical Society. Call 745-8159 for information on this event. *The authors are members of the SIS-TERS IN CRIME organization.*



SCARECROW CONTEST 2008

Have your family build a scarecrow and bring it to the **Lincoln Public Library** to be judged on

FRIDAY OCTOBER 31st

Entry guidelines

One entry per household/organization/group
Scarecrows must be 36" to 60" tall and **must stand on their own and withstand the elements such and wind or rain.**

NO moving parts, lights or electric components, or candles.
NO religious or political statements

Entries must be in good taste, in the sole opinion of the Scarecrow Chairperson.

Entrants are responsible for removal of their scarecrow after the event.

Scarecrow will be judged for creativity and originality.
Scarecrows will be on display on the grass beside the library.

All scarecrows must be at the library by October 30th

Please pick up and deliver your entry **form** to the Lincoln Public Library by October 24th.

See more information, including news of the Currier Museum Trip and Book Bingo Winners at <http://lincolnpubliibraryblog.blogspot.com/>

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.

One 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.



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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

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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@adelphia.net 745-2238
Police Department Admin. Asst..... 745-2238
Police Department Fax No..... 745-8694
Fire Department (Business Line)..... 745-2344
Solid Waste Facility..... 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 check your smoke detector when you change your clocks.
- Remember to get a campfire permit if you will be having a campfire or using a chimenea outside.
- Remember to have your fireplace inspected annually.
- Remember that a woodstove 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 news, by Susan Whitman, Town Clerk and Tax Collector

The new tax rate has been set at \$8.50 per thousand. This is an increase of \$35 per \$100,000 valuation.

The Town portion is \$3.18, which is a 14 cent increase from last year.
The Local School portion is \$1.83, which is 24 cents more than last year.
The State School portion is \$2.15, a decrease of 6 cents from last year.
The County Tax portion is 1.34, an increase of 3 cents from last year.



With just a few finishing touches to put on the warrant, you should see your tax bill by the first of November.