



Town of Rye

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On May 29 at 9:00 a.m. the Town of Rye will conduct a Memorial Day ceremony at the Central Cemetery. See Page 3 for details.

Senior SERVE Promotes New Van Use



What a difference a year makes. Rye Senior SERVE not only has a new van, freshly lettered with the name of the organization across its side, but the all-volunteer nonprofit is ready to take on a slight expansion of its services.

Senior groups of 6 to 13 persons can now use the van for special events, providing a driver is available. For instance, earlier this spring a group was driven to Portsmouth High School for a U.S. Coast Guard band concert and there were two trips to the Seacoast Repertory Theatre, all with the new van at full capacity.

For about two years SERVE had been using a van, graciously donated by Webster at Rye, almost exclusively for transporting seniors every Tuesday morning for shopping at Market Basket and surrounding

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SELECTMEN'S MESSAGE

Full Plate for Selectmen

Public Safety Building Update

ABOUT THE TIME you receive this newsletter, our new Public Safety Building will be turned over to the Town of Rye for occupancy by the Fire Department. Demolition of the old fire station to make way for a parking lot to service the new building is scheduled to follow. The parking lot and related approaches to the building must be completed before the Police Department can move into its new quarters.

At this time, a number of unresolved issues could adversely affect the project budget. These matters are being carefully evaluated by all parties, and remain to be negotiated. The Town continues to deduct \$1000.00 a day in liquidated damages from the Horne Construction requisitions. "Liquidated damages" refers to the penalty written into the contract that allows the Town to recover anticipated expenses incurred by a delay in project completion.

Property Tax Bills Due July 1

Property owners will by now have received the spring tax bill, which will be due by July 1, 2006. For most taxpayers, the valuation is one-half of last fall's bill. Exceptions are those properties where building construction has taken place on previously vacant land or where structures on improved land were demolished and replaced by new. The spring bill for such will reflect the status of the construction as of April 1, 2006. Also included will be revisions to update or correct data implemented by state requirement for one-quarter of the buildings in Town to be remeasured and reinspected over a four-year cycle. Updates will be shown on this first bill for those properties that were visited. Should the owner disagree with the assessment, the appeal period commences upon receipt of the fall tax bill up to March 1, 2007.

The Assessing office reminds property owners who appealed their 2005 valuation and filed an abate-

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Foyes Corner Public Hearing June 7

Published under the legal notice RYE BETTERMENT, 12595, RECONVENED NOTICE OF HEARING, the State Department of Transportation, in accordance with RSA 230:14, has set a reconvened public hearing regarding Foyes Corner betterment to be held in the Rye Elementary School Cafeteria on June 7, at 7 p.m. The school will be open at 6:30 to allow inspection of the proposed plans.

The project is tentatively scheduled for advertising for bid in May of 2007, with any necessary right-of-way acquisitions to be undertaken in the winter of 2006.

Regional Wastewater Planning Heads Up

Rye was well represented on March 25 when more than 100 people attended the Charrette (meeting) held in Stratham by the Great Bay

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Estuary Commission, established by Senate Bill 70, in conjunction with Metcalf & Eddy, the Wakefield, MA environmental engineering firm employed by the State. The stated purpose of the charrette was to obtain public input on ten Metcalf & Eddy proposals for the long-term wastewater management of 44 towns and cities in the Great Bay/Seacoast area prior to reducing the ten proposals to four.

Of the original ten proposals, four contained discharge to the Gulf of Maine via a large pipe(s) to the ocean. Although no support for ocean discharge was expressed during the charrette, this option remains among the final four along with no action, upgrade of existing facilities and land application.

Citizens of Rye need to educate and express themselves on this matter. The decision regarding disposition of wastewater from Rochester to Rye can impact us severely in a regional solution to the problem. The complete memorandum outlining the four wastewater management alternatives for further study can be found at www.coastalclear.com.

Property Assessment

Annually the Department of Revenue Administration conducts a sales assessment ratio study using recent market sales. Although Rye conducted a full revaluation in 2001 and has annually remeasured and relisted 20% of the properties in town since then, sales in 2004 indicated that our assessments had slipped to 67.90%. The State then required that assessments across the board be brought back to 100% for the 2005 tax year.

The resulting "sticker shock" triggered a large number of abatement requests during the filing period, particularly from owners of beach property. Our Assessor, Howard Promer, considers each request individually. His time consuming research selects recent sales of properties that are comparable on many levels to the

property in question such as location, size, and construction quality, to name a few. Howard's documentation and recommendation is then forwarded to the Board for approval or denial. This process is ongoing at the present time. If the applicant disagrees with the decision made by the Selectmen, the applicant may request a hearing with the Board. If still not satisfied, appeal may then be made to the State Board of Tax and Land Appeals or to Rockingham County Superior Court.

Education Funding—

It's Not Over 'til It's Over

Although the New Hampshire House passed a "technical correction" to House Bill 100 last January that eliminated the last three towns from donor status, this case is not closed. The Londonderry and Merrimac School Districts and 25 communities sued following passage of the bill and Hillsborough County Superior Court Judge William Groff ruled the new education funding bill unconstitutional because it failed to define or determine the cost of an adequate education and leads to unfair taxation.

The New Hampshire Attorney General's office appealed this ruling to the New Hampshire Supreme Court. The Supreme Court has scheduled oral arguments for June 22, but a decision could take months. Meanwhile, the New Hampshire House does not want to pass additional education funding legislation prior to the Supreme Court ruling.

What does this mean to us? In the short term, budget planning will be difficult if a Supreme Court decision is long delayed. Long term, our future regarding education funding is still unknown.

Congratulations to the

Conservation Commission

Ten years of work, guided and coordinated by our Conservation Commission, was completed with a ribbon cutting on April 15 that celebrated completion of the restoration

of Awcomin Marsh. Smothered with a blanket of dredge material from Rye Harbor in 1941 and again in 1962, this marsh, once a source of life, had become a 30-acre wasteland. The project required the participation of numerous agencies and cost nearly \$750,000. Funding came primarily from Rye, the National Resource Conservation Service, and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, which provided \$500,000.

Today, Awcomin is once again teeming with a variety of wildlife, and you are invited to observe it first hand. Park off the pavement of Route 1-A across from Rye Harbor pier and enter Awcomin via the walking path that will take you to a handicap accessible observation platform overlooking the marsh. Congratulations to Jim Raynes and his Conservation Commission for a job well done.

Mosquitos and You

West Nile Virus and Eastern Equine Encephalitis continue to be a concern and our mosquito control program is ongoing at many levels; but vigilance around your own property will also serve to curtail the mosquito population. Clear brush, change the water in birdbaths frequently, have gutters cleared to prevent standing water and remove any containers such as old tires or wading pools that might catch and retain water. Report vernal pools for biological treatment.

Our annual No-Spray Request Form can be found in this newsletter.

Appreciation to Diligent Dog Owners

The summer season is once again at hand and with it comes the crowded and varied use of our beaches. Rye has a number of dog owners who are making every effort to patrol and inform other dog owners of the rules as they work to ensure the privilege of walking their dogs on the beach. The success of this endeavor requires the cooperation of all dog owners.

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The Beach Commission has been actively planning for the season ahead. Meanwhile, the Rye Elementary School is holding a Drowning Prevention Presentation by the Davis C. Hemingway Foundation for grades K-5 on June 6th. The public (adults only) is invited to attend. If interested, call the school for times.

We wish you a happy and safe summer.

Board of Selectmen
Joe Mills, Chairman
Priscilla Jenness, Vice-Chairman
Craig Musselman

Senior SERVE Van

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stores. That door-to-door service continues with the new, white vehicle. Anyone wishing to be picked up for this weekly service should call Nancy Weiland at Town Hall, 964-5523.

Donations large and small have helped make the van purchase possible. Among those who contributed were the Rye Lions Club, the Mark H. Wentworth Home, Shanley Realtors, Portsmouth Regional Hospital, Port City Nissan, and Webster at Rye.

Now that a warrant article has been passed providing for zoning to allow small residential housing complexes for seniors, SERVE is keeping its ear to the ground regarding any progress on this front. Those wishing to be kept up to date on senior progress should speak to a SERVE representative to get your name on an information-only distribution list.

For further information on how to be a part of Rye Senior SERVE or for being a recipient of its services, such as the Daily Call for those living alone, please call the Rye Public Library at 964-8401.

Jack Driscoll
Rye Senior Serve

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RYE MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY AND PARADE TO BE HELD

On May 29 at 9 a.m. the Town of Rye will conduct a Memorial Day ceremony at the Central Cemetery. The ceremony will begin with a short parade from Town Hall to the cemetery for the Presentation of the Colors. Participating in the parade will be pipers and drummers from The New Hampshire Police Association Pipes and Drums, the Rye Police and Fire Departments, the Winnacunnet Marine ROTC Color Guard, veterans, Girl and Boy Scouts, and the Dover Police Mounted Patrol.

The guest speaker is Shannon Keane, whose brother, Senior Chief Petty Officer Daniel R. Healy, U.S. Navy, was killed while conducting combat operations in Afghanistan in 2005. Healy was a native of Exeter, NH. Music will be provided by Karrie Burnett. Awards will be presented to the winners of the poster and writing contests from the Rye Elementary and Junior High Schools. The winning posters will be available for viewing and the winning writings will be read. Rye clergy will provide the Invocation and the Benediction. Immediately after the ceremony, refreshments will

be provided by the Rye Historical Society.

The Town of Rye has lost soldiers, sailors, airmen, marines, and merchant seamen in armed conflicts, including 38 lost in the American Revolution. The Town also remembers on this occasion those firemen and police officers who were lost in the line of duty. In view of Operation Iraqi Freedom and the ongoing War On Terrorism, all residents are encouraged to attend the Memorial Day ceremony.

The members of the Seacoast Memorial Post #8942 of the VFW, Rye, extend a personal invitation to all veterans to come and march with the veterans in the parade. You do not have to be a member of a veteran organization to participate. Those with physical limitations may sit among fellow veterans during the ceremony.

In the event of rain, the Ceremony will be held in the fellowship hall of the Rye Congregational Church, 580 Washington Road. For more information, contact Jim Cullen at 964-9918.

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ment application by March 1, 2006 that the Town has until July 1, 2006 to respond. If dissatisfied with the decision, you have until September 1, 2006 to file further with either the State Board of Tax and Land Appeals or Rockingham County Superior Court. Local appeal must have been made first in order to later file with the state or court.

The State Department of Revenue Administration (DRA) has conducted our assessment review of the Town of Rye over this past year. It appears that all requirements/regulations have been met. A full report will be forth coming from the DRA.

We would also like to inform persons eligible to apply for the elderly exemption that the application is available at the Assessor's office and must be submitted by August 1, 2006.

The applicant must be at least 65 years of age as of April 1 of this year and have been a resident of New Hampshire for the prior five (5) years. Income limitations are \$40,000 for a single person, \$59,900 for married and total assets not in excess of \$199,000 exclusive of the residence.

The values and property information are available to you online, please visit <http://data.visionappraisal.com/ryenh>. The website is updated four times a year. Our department continues updating on a daily basis for all properties as necessary. For the most recent information please call the office at 964-5523.

Howard Promer, CNHA-Assessor
Heather Austin, Assessing Clerk

Visit the Town website
<http://www.town.rye.nh.us/>

Beach, Dogs, Tax Bills on Town Clerk's Mind

Beach parking permits are on sale at our office at a cost of \$20.00 each. A registration for the vehicle on which the permit is to be placed must be provided for each permit requested (one permit per registration). Only Rye residents and/or property owners are eligible to receive beach parking permits. The permits are valid at designated areas located at the following seven locations: (1) Cable Road Extension, (2) Wallis Road Extension, (3) Sawyer's Beach, (4) Easterly side of Route 1A on the public beach access opposite Petey's Restaurant, (5) Jenness Avenue Extension, (6) Atlantic Avenue Extension, and (7) Old Town Way.

***Please note!** In the past we have had the capability of looking up license plate numbers in our computer system, which was helpful to those who forgot to bring in the registration for their vehicle. PLEASE BE AWARE that *we cannot do that anymore for any purpose*. This is a state policy brought about because of the new privacy regulations such as we're all coping with at banks, our doctors' offices and at the pharmacy. So while we'd like to be helpful, we are now prevented from researching that information. Keep in mind that this applies to obtaining beach parking permits as well as automobile registrations.

Dog Licenses are required each year between January 1 and April 30. If you haven't yet registered your dog, please stop by our office as soon as possible with proof of the dog's up-to-date rabies inoculation. The cost is \$6.50 for a neutered or spayed animal and \$9.00 for a non-altered dog. Seniors (over 65) can license one dog for a reduced cost of \$2.00. Puppies less than seven months old are \$6.50. After June 1 penalties are added to the cost (\$1.00 for each month overdue). Additionally, the law requires us to notify the Police Department of any unlicensed dogs after June 1, which means the dog

Police Department Prepares for Summer

A big part of our job in the "off-season" is to finalize all the cases generated from the previous summer and prepare for the issues we expect to face in the coming summer.

An issue that affects our community more in the summer than other times of the year is that of speeding vehicles. To address this issue early in the season, Lt. Walsh prepared a grant proposal that would pay for targeted speed enforcement patrols. This grant was approved by the state and these patrols are already occurring at targeted times and locations.

A second seasonal issue is that of loud vehicles. To get an early jump on this problem, we hosted a regional training session with specially trained Highway Patrol officers. All Rye officers were required to attend this training and I hope it will be beneficial as we try to have some impact on this very difficult issue. The Rye Police Department will also be participating in regional loud vehicle enforcement actions. These enforce-

owner could be required to pay a civil forfeiture of \$25.00 per animal.

Property Tax Bills for the first issue 2006 billing are scheduled to be mailed during the month of May and will be due by July 1. For most taxpayers, the amount will be half of the entire 2005 billing. If your property tax dollars are escrowed through your mortgage company, be sure to send them a copy of your bill. Many mortgage companies contact us through a property tax payment service, but we cannot be sure your bank or mortgage company is included. And, of course, with all the mortgage changes that are happening, you'll want to be sure your mortgage company is alerted.

Office Hours: Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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Email janei@town.rye.nh.us

Jane Ireland
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

ment actions allow participating communities to bring greater resources to the problem than any single community could afford.

Another summertime problem is underage drinking and alcohol on the beaches. The department has once again received a state grant that will fund plainclothes patrols of our beaches at targeted times. As we have seen in the past we expect these patrols will also be helpful in deterring or detecting other violations occurring on our beaches.

Although not specifically a summertime issue, you may have read about the proactive approach the Department has taken regarding the Internet safety of our children. In March, Officer Porciello conducted an Internet safety information session for parents at Rye Junior High. Much of her information focused on the popular website MySpace.com. I wrote about this problem in the March newsletter and recommend that all parents take this very seriously.

All residents are reminded to lock their vehicles and secure valuables in their car's trunk or console while visiting the beach. We also urge you to keep the doors to your house locked if you step out for a few minutes or are working in a remote area of your yard. Please be careful of home repair scams and the many lottery scams reaching you through the phone, mail, or Internet. If any of these things sound too good to be true, it's probably a scam. Please don't hesitate to call us.

Have a great summer!

Alan Gould
Chief of Police

Beaches to Open June 17

The members of your Beach Commission are pleased to announce the following beach times and regulations for the upcoming season:

Opening Day: Rye's three beaches (Wallis Road Extension, Cable Road Extension, and Sawyers) are scheduled to open with lifeguard service on Saturday, June 17. The normal hours of the Beach Safety Patrol will be from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., seven days a week. Be advised that these hours are subject to change based on weather conditions.

Lifeguards: We are pleased to report Jason Shuff will be returning this summer as our Lifeguard Supervisor. Jason has assembled an outstanding staff of lifeguards, with many of our experienced guards returning this summer. All of our lifeguards meet strict qualification requirements, and receive daily training prior to reporting to the beach. The lifeguards will continue to use the following flag system, introduced three years ago: Green Flag = normal conditions, while Red Flag = warning of extreme conditions. New this year will be expandable designated swimming areas. These swimming areas will be clearly marked with a movable flag system, and "off limits" to the surfers. Our flag system will make each swimming area easy to expand in order to accommodate all who wish to swim safely. You are encouraged to approach any lifeguard with questions regarding surf conditions, or any other related beach issues.

Dog Restrictions: Dogs are strictly prohibited from our beaches between the hours of 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily beginning May 27 through September 30. When you bring your dog during the allowed hours, please remember you are responsible for removing any "beach deposits" left by your dog. Containers of "Mutt Mitts" for waste removal will be available as you enter Cable Road Extension and Wallis Road Extension beaches. We ask that you take home any dog waste with you. Again this year the town will be providing the beach cleaning

Exciting Fire Prevention News in New Hampshire

The State of New Hampshire may soon be one of only a handful of states in America to enact legislation mandating self-extinguishing cigarettes. On May 11, the state's Senate and House approved a bill that would mandate self-extinguishing cigarettes, often called fire-safe cigarettes. The bill is now on the way for the governor's signature. With his signature, fire-safe cigarettes will be exclusively sold in New Hampshire by October 1, 2007.

What is a fire-safe cigarette?

A fire-safe cigarette has a reduced propensity to burn when left unattended. The most common fire-safe technology used by cigarette manufacturers is to wrap cigarettes with two or three thin bands of less-porous paper that act as "speed bumps" to slow down a burning cigarette. If a fire-safe cigarette is left unattended, the burning tobacco will reach one of these speed bumps and self-extinguish.

Why is it critical to have fire-safe cigarettes?

- Cigarettes are the leading cause of home fire fatalities in the United States, killing 700 to 900 people—smokers and non-smokers alike—every year.
- Smoking-material structure fires killed 760 people and injured 1,690 others in 2002.

machine, and the barrels at the end of the above mentioned beach entrances. Our Public Works Department is working on a schedule for providing these services. To ease the burden on our DPW, we ask all residents and guests to observe the NH State carry in/carry out policy regarding refuse.

In conclusion, our beaches are a source of beauty and enjoyment. By following the simple posted rules, we may all benefit from our beautiful beaches throughout the summer season. If you would like to contact a member of the Beach Commission, please call the Selectmen's Office at 964-5523.

Peter Clark, Chairman
Scott McQuade, Tim Sanborn

- There were 34,800 smoking-material structure fires in the United States in 2002.
- The risk of dying in a home structure fire caused by smoking materials rises with age. Between 1999 and 2001, two-fifths (40%) of fatal smoking-material fire victims were age 65 or older.
- One-quarter of victims of smoking-material fire fatalities are not the smokers whose cigarettes started the fire: 34% are children of the smokers; 25% are neighbors or friends; 14% are spouses or partners; and 13% are parents.

Safety tips

- Encourage smokers to smoke outside.
- Keep smoking materials away from anything that can burn (i.e., mattresses, bedding, upholstered furniture, draperies, etc.).
- Never smoke in bed or when you are drowsy, intoxicated, or medicated.
- Use large, deep, non-tip ashtrays to prevent ashes from spilling onto furniture and check them frequently. Do not rest ashtrays on sofas or chairs.
- Completely douse butts and ashes with water before throwing them away as they can smolder in the trash and cause a fire.
- Smoking should not be allowed in a home where oxygen is in use.
- Whenever someone has been smoking in the home, always check on, between and under upholstery and cushions and inside trashcans for butts that may be smoldering.
- When smokers visit your home, ask them to keep smoking materials, lighters, and matches with them so young children do not touch them.
- Keep matches and lighters up high, out of children's sight and reach (preferably in a locked cabinet).
- Even when fire-safe cigarettes are made available, always be careful with smoking materials.

Finally, on a related matter, if anyone in the Town of Rye wishes to kindle a brush fire or "camp fire," a permit is required and is available at the fire station. Permits may be obtained the day of the kindled fire. If you have any questions regarding burning permits or have any fire prevention questions, please call the fire station at 964-6411.

Have a safe spring and summer!

Richard O'Brien
Fire Chief

TOWN OF RYE RECREATION DEPARTMENT SUMMER NEWS

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Summer 2006



RECREATION DEPARTMENT OFFICE HOURS

MONDAY-THURSDAY, 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

FALL RECREATIONAL SOCCER SIGN-UP



WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7, 2006, 6:00 - 7:00 P.M.
RYE RECREATION MODULAR, 55 RECREATION RD.

RYE & NEW CASTLE RESIDENTS ONLY

Deadline for registering is July 31, 2006.

Late Fee of \$25 will be applied to registrations received after the deadline.

JULY 4TH CELEBRATION

TUESDAY, JULY 4TH, 2006, PARSON'S FIELD



6:30 p.m. Activities Start

7:00 p.m. The Jim & Karie Show

Dusk Fireworks by Jack Tobey & Crew

WEATHER PERMITTING - NO RAIN DATE

SUMMERTIME HORIZONS DAY CAMP

is a thematically-based day camp for youth entering grades K-6. This year's camp runs June 26th through August 18th. The Camp Director is Jonathan Carleton, B.S. Camp will be held at the Recreation House, 55 Recreation Road, Rye. Full Day Campers need to bring two snacks, drink and lunch each day and Half Day Campers need only snack and drink. Prior to arrival each day, apply bug spray and sunscreen and label belongings. Limited space available. Registrations received after June 1st are not guaranteed a T-shirt.

Week 1, June 26 - June 30, Kids in the Kitchen

It's all about food this week! Creating fruit smoothies to ice cream.

Learning your way around the kitchen and how to make special treats.



Week 2, July 3 - 7, The Road to Rye (No Camp July 4th)

Take a trip that leads you around the world and back to Rye in just one week! We will visit places like South America, Australia, and Asia!



Week 3, July 10 - 14, Radical Reptiles

Lizards, turtles and snakes, oh my! Examine the different types of reptiles and learn what makes them so special.



Week 4, July 17 - 21, Carnival Circus Magic

Enjoy the fun and magic of the carnival all week long, play games and perform magic tricks. Come join the amusements we have in store for you.



Hours: Full Day: 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Half Day: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. or 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Pre-Camp: 8:30 - 9:00 a.m. (no additional fee).

Post-Camp: 4:00 - 4:30 p.m. (no additional fee).

Fee: Weeks 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8

Full Day: \$120/wk residents, \$140/wk non-residents

Half Day: \$65/wk residents, \$75/wk non-resident

Week 2 (No Camp July 4th)

Full Day: \$96/wk residents, \$112/wk non-residents

Half Day: \$52/wk residents, \$60/wk non-residents

*Fee includes T-shirt

Week 5, July 24 - 28, Happy Holidays

We are taking a year's worth of holidays and packing them into just one week! Join us for everything from the 4th of July to Thanksgiving.



Week 6, July 31 - August 4, Kids Creations

A week full of the best arts and crafts for everyone to do! Express yourself creatively and artistically throughout the week.



Week 7, August 7 - 11, The Great Outdoors

Hone your outdoor survival skills this week. Setting up camp, building shelters, and going on nature hikes are just the beginning.



Week 8, August 14 - 18, Stars on Stage

Everyone is seeing stars this week! Creating plays and musical numbers is just part of the fun. Show off your talent at the end of the week in a big show.



POTTERY CLASSES are instructed by Jessica Dickey, B.A. in Studio Art, M.Ed. Beginning Pottery: Learn the basics of handbuilt pottery including pinch, coil and slab building. Pottery Workshop: Take the skills learned in Beginning Pottery (prerequisite) to the next level. Held in the Art Room at Rye Elementary School. Limited space available.

Week 1, June 26 - June 30

Entering Grades 1-3, 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Beginning Pottery

Entering Grades 4-6, 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Beginning Pottery

Week 2, July 10 - 14

Entering Grades 7-9, 9:00 - 12:00 p.m.

Beginning Pottery

Entering Grades 10-12, 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Beginning Pottery

Week 3, July 17 - 21

Entering Grades 7-12, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Pottery Workshop

Entering Grades 1-3, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Beginning Pottery

Week 4, July 24 - 28

Entering Grades 4-6, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Beginning Pottery

Entering Grades 1-6, 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Pottery Workshop

Beginning Pottery Fee:

Entering Grades 1-3: \$100/wk residents, \$110/wk non-residents

Entering Grades 4-12: \$150/wk residents, \$160/wk non-residents

Pottery Workshop Fee:

Entering Grades 1-12: \$150/wk residents, \$160/wk non-residents

GROUP TENNIS LESSONS - INDOOR instruction is provided by John Marlowe. These co-ed lessons will be held at New Castle Recreation Facility. Participants will need to bring racket and drink. Limited space available.



Session 1, June 27, 28, 29, July 5, 6, 7* (T, W, Th.) *July 7 is a Friday
Entering Grades 1-3, 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.; Entering Grades 3-5, 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.;

Entering Grades 6-8, 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.; HS, 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Session 2, July 11, 12, 13, 18, 19, 20 (T, W, Th.)

Entering Grades 1-3, 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.; Entering Grades 3-5, 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.;

Entering Grades 6-8, 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.; Adult, 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Session 3, July 25, 26, 27, August 1, 2, 3 (T, W, Th.)

Entering Grades 1-3, 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.; Entering Grades 3-5, 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.;

Entering Grades 6-8, 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.; HS, 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Session 4, August 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17 (T, W, Th.)

Entering Grades 1-3, 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.; Entering Grades 3-5, 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.;

Entering Grades 6-8, 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.; Adult, 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Fee: \$70 per. session residents, \$80 per. session non-residents

SOCCER CAMP instruction is provided by Play Soccer.



This co-ed camp will be held at the Recreation Area, 55 Recreation Road, rain or shine. Participants should bring snack and drink each day. Prior to arrival each day apply bug spray and sunscreen. Limited space available.

Week 1, July 17-21

4-5 yrs, 9:00 - 10:30 a.m.

Soccer Tots

Entering Grades 1-2, 11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Soccer Tots

Entering Grades 3-4, 1:30 - 4:30 p.m.

World Cup

Entering Grades 5-8, 1:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Advanced Training

Week 2, July 24-28

Entering Grades 3-4, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

World Cup

Entering Grades 5-8, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Advanced Training

Entering Grades 1-2, 1:00 - 2:30 p.m.

Soccer Tots

4-5 yrs, 3:00 - 4:30 p.m.

Soccer Tots

Fee: 4 yrs to Entering Grade 2: \$70/wk residents, \$80/wk non-residents

* Fee includes T-shirt, Ball, Water Bottle, & Poster

Entering Grades 3-8: \$95/wk residents, \$105/wk non-residents

* Fee includes T-shirt, Water Bottle, & Poster

Host a coach for a week and registration for one is free!

ADULT YOGA is designed to link breath and movement, connecting body, mind and spirit. Find inner peace by relaxing the mind and building strength and flexibility to the body. Held at the Rye Library.



Instructor, Jeanie Ryan: Tuesdays, July 11, 18, 25, August 1, 8, 9:00 - 10:30 a.m.

Fee: \$82.50 per session, residents/non-residents

Instructor, Karin Backstrom: Tuesdays, July 11, 18, 25, August 1, 8, 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.

Instructor, Dana Lincoln: Wednesday, July 12, 19, August 2, 9, 16, 8:45 - 9:45 a.m.

Please note: Wednesdays class is taught with an athletic approach.

Fee: \$55 per session, residents/non-residents

BASKETBALL CAMP instruction is provided by Brett and Dan Mulvey and held at Rye Elementary. Participants should bring snack & drink each day. Limited space available. Registrations received after June 1st are not guaranteed a T-shirt.



Week 1, June 26 - June 30

Entering Grades 3-4 Girls, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Entering Grades 5-6 Girls, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Entering Grades 1-2 Co-ed, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Week 2, July 3 - 7 (Camp is held on July 4)

Entering Grades 5-6 Boys, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Entering Grades 3-4 Boys, 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Week 3, July 10 - 14

Entering Grades 3-4 Boys, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Entering Grades 1-2 Co-ed, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Week 4, July 17 - 21

Entering Grades 7-8 Boys, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Entering Grades 7-8 Girls, 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Fee: Entering Grades 1-2: \$75/wk residents, \$85/wk non-residents

Entering Grades 3-8: \$85/wk residents, \$95/wk non-residents

* Fee includes T-shirt & Participation Award

BASEBALL CAMP instruction is provided



by David Adam, 10 year Pro Pitcher. Learn basic skills from the beginner to the advance player.

This co-ed camp will be held at the Rye Recreation Area, 55 Recreation Road. Participants should bring snack & drink each day. Prior to arrival each day apply bug spray and sunscreen. Limited space available.

June 26 - 30 Entering Grades 2-7, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Fee: \$150/wk residents, \$160/wk non-residents

* Fee includes T-shirt

VOLLEYBALL CAMP instruction is provided by



Mike Ferguson, RJH Coach. This co-ed camp will be held at Rye Junior High. Participants should bring snack and drink each day. Limited space available. Registrations received after June 1st are not guaranteed a T-shirt.

July 24 - 28 Entering Grades 5-6, 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Entering Grades 7-8, 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Fee: \$85/wk residents, \$95/wk non-residents

* Fee includes T-shirt

RED CROSS BABYSITTER COURSE



provides you with the skills you need to be a great babysitter. Instruction is provided by Beck Geer and held at the Rye Library. For ages 11 and up. Participants should bring lunch, snack & drink. Limited space available.

Saturday, June 24, 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Fee: \$50 residents/non-residents

Happenings at the Rye Public Library

SUMMER ART LECTURES

sponsored by the Rye Art Study—Wednesdays at 1 p.m.

- July 12 "Isabella Stewart Gardner: Incomparable Icon"
- July 19 "History of Botanical Painting"
- July 26 "Hockney: Secret Knowledge"
- August 26 "Becoming a Painter"
- August 9 "British Memorial Brasses: Window on the Life of the Middle Ages"

NEW WRITING GROUP

with Pam Woods and Juliette Doherty—

Second Mondays at 10 a.m.55

June 12 July 10 August 14
Using the theme and writing exercises from the Portsmouth Poet Laureate Program, "What Is Home?" everyone is invited to come share thoughts, insights, and writing here at the Library. If interested, please sign up at the library or call us at 964-8401.

MUSIC IN THE AFTERNOON with local talent—
Wednesdays at 1 p.m.

August 16 August 23 August 30

ONGOING ACTIVITIES

FILM DISCUSSIONS—Fourth Mondays at 1 p.m.

June 26 The Memory of a Killer
July 24 The Other Side of the Street
August 28 Hawaii, Oslo

HEALTH CLINIC by Compass Care—Fourth Tuesdays
from 1 to 3 p.m.

June 27 July 25 August 22

BOOK DISCUSSIONS—Third Tuesdays from 7 to 8 p.m.

June 20 *Winesburg, Ohio* by Sherwood Anderson
July 18 *Where the Rivers Flow North* by Howard Frank Mosher
August 15 *Victoria's Daughters* by Jerold Packard

COMPUTER CLASSES sponsored by the Friends

Call the library for more information at 964-8401.



The Friends of the Rye Public Library sponsored a FREE computer course for seniors taught by Judy Underwood. The following students were awarded certificates: Irene Maskwa, Betty Maskwa, Jack Batal, Marjorie Little, Mary Rizzo, Jane Langley, Louise Spracklin and Alice Provencher.

MILITARY BOOK DISCUSSIONS—

First Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.

Writers of the online publication RYE REFLECTIONS meet at the library on Thursdays at 1 p.m. Editor Jack Driscoll continues to extend an invitation to others who may be interested in being part of this group. Come join them!

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE YOUTH DEPARTMENT

SUMMER READING PROGRAM—

****Treasuring Reading****

coordinated with the Rye Elementary School
June 27 through August 10
Activities begin at 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday—June 27

Summer Reading KICK-OFF and sign up evening
STEVE BLUNT presents "Yo-Ho-Ho, to the Library-O"

Thursday—July 13

FAMILY SCAVENGER HUNT and Ice Cream Social

Thursday—July 20

Music and entertainment by the SEA CHANTEYS
Fun for all ages

Thursday—July 27

PETER PAN NIGHT

Dress up as you favorite Peter Pan character
and watch the MOVIE.....popcorn!

Thursday—August 3

FOURTH ANNUAL TALENT SHOW

Thursday—August 10

Summer Reading closing PARTY

Along with these scheduled events, there will be WEEKLY CRAFTS, TRIVIA, DRESS-UPS, and READING LISTS with great suggestions for all ages.

CALL FOR ART

Students are invited to participate in the next art display, "Art of the Young People of Rye," sponsored by the library's Fine Arts Committee. Applications may be picked up at the library and are also available on the library website at www.rye.lib.nh.us or from your school art teachers.

**Come visit us this summer
... and bring your company, too!**

RYE ART IN BLOOM 2006



"Old City Gate: Meersburg Germany" by Barbara Ripley, Oil; Flower Arrangers: Marsha Palmer & Marilyn Marchant seniors taught by Judy Underwood.

The Town of Rye Recreation Department, Webster at Rye, the Rye Driftwood Garden Club and Rye Art Study Group recently held the sixth annual Rye Art in Bloom at Webster at Rye. The exhibit displayed 22 selected works of art interpreted in flower arrangements with music performed by Ray DeMarco.

The exhibit succeeded in stimulating interest in the art of flower arranging, sharing the talents of local artists, and fostering community relationships.

1. "Baskets" by Constance Gilmore, Watercolor; Flower Arranger: Constance Gilmore
2. "Before the Land was ours" by Patricia DeGrandpre, Mixed Media; Flower Arranger: Cyndi Gillespie
3. "Boston Fireglobe" by Marianne Forman, Oil; Flower Arranger: Jane Holway
4. "Charlie" by Fred Rooke, Watercolor; Flower Arranger: Carol Cortina
5. "Fearless" by Tricia Quinn, Oil; Flower Arranger: Colleen Quinn
6. "From Wentworth Coolidge toward New Castle" by Elizabeth Boynton, Watercolor; Flower Arranger: Margaret Gray
7. "Loon Call" by Claire Russo, Fabric Painting; Flower Arranger: Marjorie Smith
8. "Masai Girl" by Judy Underwood, Photograph; Flower Arrangers: Deborah Johnson & Nancy Neville
9. "Monhegan Roses" by Doris Rice, Watercolor; Flower Arrangers:

Marsha Wiggin & Abigail Wiggin

10. "My Garden" by Anne Newell, Watercolor; Flower Arranger: Katherine Maxwell-Fitzgerald
11. "Oil, Olives & Bread" by Dorine Gross, Acrylic; Flower Arranger: Kathryn Job
12. "Old City Gate: Meersburg Germany" by Barbara Ripley, Oil; Flower Arrangers: Marsha Palmer & Marilyn Marchant
13. "Owl" by Robert Mitchell, Wood; Flower Arranger: Carol Mitchell
14. "Painting in the Rain, France" by Priscilla Brown, Watercolor; Flower Arranger: Priscilla Brown
15. "Rainbow Trout" by Jodi Adams, Fabric Art; Flower Arranger: Todd Fernald
16. "Riverview" by Jean Leopold, Pastel; Flower Arranger: Janet Brown
17. "Run Off" by Priscilla Jenness, Oil; Flower Arranger: Priscilla Jenness
18. "Storm" by Barbara St. Lawrence, Acrylic; Flower Arranger: Priscilla Flanigan
19. "Sumi-e" by Sal Allocco, Ink; Flower Arranger: Sal Allocco
20. "White Flowers" by Lynn Joslyn, Watercolor; Flower Arranger: Nancy Weiland
21. "Winter" by Julie Hyde, Watercolor; Flower Arranger: Fran Hyde
22. "Woman in Mauve" by Ann Tolson, Acrylic; Flower Arranger: Barbara Allen

Salt Marsh Ecology

On May 12 and May 19, the Rye Mosquito Control Commission, with support from the NH Department of Environmental Services Coastal Program and Swamp, Inc., presented a series of salt marsh ecology programs for the students of Rye Elementary and Rye Junior High School. Beth Lambert from the NH Coastal Program spoke about what salt marshes are, why they are important, and what we can do to protect them. Mike Morrison, president of Swamp, Inc., gave a slide presentation on salt marshes and brought live specimens of mosquito larvae, minnows, and various plant species. There was a lively Q and A period with students able to closely examine the live specimens.

Later this summer the Mosquito Control Commission is planning a Salt Marsh Ecology presentation for the adult residents of Rye. After all, salt marshes cover about 10% of the Town's land area. Effective management of the marshes can positively impact environmental quality by increasing species diversity, limiting invasive species, and reducing mosquito breeding sites. We encourage your questions and support in our efforts towards environmental protection.

On behalf of the Town of Rye, the Mosquito Control Commission extends its appreciation not only to our presenters, Beth and Mike, but also to Lane Richardson (RES) and Jan Yost (RJHS) and their staff for making these presentations possible.

Tom Aspinwall

Rye Mosquito Control Commission

2006 MOSQUITO NO-SPRAY REQUESTS

If you do NOT want your property to be sprayed: Fill out the form below and return it to the Selectmen's Office by mail or drop it off with the Town Clerk. The sprayer can be turned off and on with precision but it cannot be selective as to right or left side of the street. If you select not to be sprayed, your neighbor across the street will also not be sprayed.

TOWN OF RYE—NO-SPRAY REQUEST 2006

Rye Town Hall, 10 Central Road, Rye, NH 03870
You may also call the Selectmen's Office, 964-5523

NAME _____ PHONE _____

PROPERTY ADDRESS _____

Committees Doing Heavy Work on Planning Board

The more visible part of the Planning Board work is the judicial function that addresses hearing subdivision requests, lot line adjustments, and such under the Land Development Regulations. The committees, however, are the working tools of the Planning Board. They do the real "planning."

Right now we have two very active committees planning for the future of Rye. First, our current update of the Rye Master Plan is being brought to fruition by the Long-Range Planning Committee. They have just given a draft of the update to our Planning Board consultant Mike Donovan for a thorough review. We will soon be ready for public hearings.

The second is the special committee to recommend action on the proposed revision of the zoning to allow the expansion of Webster at Rye to a new site on Breakfast Hill. This proposal was originally heard back in January and it was felt that more information was required to make a decision. The "Planned Continuing Care Retirement Community" (PCCRC) Committee was formed to advise the Planning Board. It is meeting regularly to consider questions about density, assessment methods, traffic, safety protection, water supply, and sewerage among others. The committee is digging deeply into the implications of this possible location for Webster's needed expansion. This analysis of the facts germane to rezoning the area of Rye west of Lafayette Road (Rt. 1) is on track for a late summer recommendation to the Planning Board. Public hearings on the requested zoning change can then be held in the early fall. Decisions on the actual changes to the zoning ordinance will, as always, be up to the electorate at the next town meeting.

We are grateful that for both of these committees we have received

Dates to Remember from the Rye Historical Society

JULY 4

Before you go to the fireworks, stop by the Public Library conference room at 7 p.m. and remember the Bicentennial celebration of 30 years ago. Rye Historical Society will be showing a collection of slides from that time—some people you will remember, some you will not recognize! Members of the old Rye Militia will be on hand with stories, and the Town Museum will be open.

AUGUST 12

Antiques Day in Rye will take place from 12 noon til 4 p.m. at the Public Library conference room. Three professional appraisers will be on hand to look at your treasures. Rye Historical Society will also have a space to sell antiques and collectibles. If you have good quality items that you would like to contribute for the sale, please call Bonnie at 436-5101. All proceeds from this event will benefit the Town Museum.

RYE TOWN MUSEUM is now open every Saturday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Continuing exhibit—"Summer in Rye—Over a Century by the Sea"—a story of hotels and boarding houses. Rotating exhibits throughout the summer. The museum is handicapped accessible.

the support of many interested citizens who are not members of the Planning Board but are volunteering. In the area of town staff support, we are pleased to report that we are near to finalizing our search for a replacement for the open slot of Planning and Zoning Administrator. John Elsdon, who previously held down this position, is already established in the new position he accepted in Texas.

Bob Brown
Chairman

Rye Water District News

Results of Annual Meeting

At our annual meeting held at the Rye Junior High School on March 25, Ralph Hickson was elected to a three-year term as Commissioner. We look forward to your input and involvement. The District authorized to raise and appropriate \$60,000 to be placed in the existing capital reserve funds and to raise \$855,770 to defray the Water District's charges for the ensuing year.

Projects

The water main is being extended for the entire length of Odiorne Drive by SLX. SLX and the District thank you for your patience.

Mains

All mains connected to our wells have been thoroughly flushed.

Conservation

The best time to water lawns is before 9 a.m. and after 6 p.m. Excessive use is usually caused by: outdoor irrigation systems running too often or for long periods, toilet leaks (stop by the office for a packet of toilet leak detector tablets), and indoor/outdoor faucet leaks.

By-Laws and Regulations

New booklets outlining the By-Laws and Regulations of the District are available at the District's office for anyone interested in picking one up.

Don't Drain Roof or Ground Water into the Sewer

Please note per Sewer Use Ordinance §402, Drains: No person(s) shall maintain or make connection of roof downspouts, foundation drains, areaway drains or other sources of surface runoff or groundwater to a building sewer or building drain which in turn is connected directly or indirectly to a public sanitary sewer.

The Sewer Commission checks the sewer system regularly and enforces penalties to those found to be violating this ordinance.

Town of Rye Board Meetings

June 2006

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

Selectmen's meetings are held in the Rye Public Library Meeting Room (handicapped accessible) at 581 Washington Road. Other board meetings are held at Rye Town Hall, 10 Central Rd., unless otherwise noted. Because meeting schedules are subject to change, check the bulletin board at Town Hall for up-to-date information.				1 7 pm Planning Board PCCRC	2	3
4	5 3:30 pm Rye Water District 60 Sagamore	6 7 pm Recreation Commission Recreation House	7 4:30 pm Long Range Planning 7 pm Zoning Board of Adjustment	8	9	10
11	12 6:30 pm Board of Selectmen	13 9 am Sewer Commission 7 pm Planning Board	14 <i>Flag Day</i>	15 7 pm Conservation Commission	16	17
18 <i>Father's Day</i>	19	20	21 6 pm School Board RJH <i>First Day of Summer</i>	22	23	24
25	26 6:30 pm Board of Selectmen	27 7 pm Technical Review Committee	28	29	30	1

July 2006

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Library Trustees June 6, July 11, August 8
6:30 pm at the Library

Rye Lions Club, first Wednesday every month, 6:30 pm at the Rye Library
Friends of the Library, second Tuesday every month, 7 pm at the Library

Additional Civic Meetings

INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

July 4th, Tuesday, Parsons Field

6:30 p.m. Activities Start
7:00 p.m. The Jim and Karrie Show
Dusk Fireworks by Jack Tobey and crew
Weather permitting—no rain date

Help Rye Recreation Plan

The Town of Rye Recreation Commission is preparing a Recreation Master Plan. Your help is needed. In a few weeks, you will receive a questionnaire about recreation opportunities in Rye. Please fill out the questionnaire and return it to The Town of Rye Recreation Department, 10 Central Road, Rye, NH, 03870. Thank you!



OUR TOWN FAMILY FUN NIGHT on JUNE 3

This evening of family fun sponsored by the Rye Lions Club is scheduled to begin on Parson's Field at 5 p.m. on Saturday, June 3 and end with the traditional fireworks display. Bring the children and join your neighbors for an evening of fun activities. There will be cotton candy, popcorn, face painting, a jumping castle, karaoke, "Our Town Idol Contest," and many other activities. Families are encouraged to bring a picnic dinner and choose your dessert from the offerings at the pie auction. Proceeds from the pie auction help to pay for this event. If you would like to help in some way or can donate a pie to the pie auction, please contact Leila Hemming at 436-6839.

DATES TO REMEMBER

Memorial Day Ceremony—Monday, May 29, 9:00 a.m., Central Cemetery.
In case of rain: Rye Congregational Church Fellowship Hall.

Rye Beaches Opening Day—Saturday, June 17
Lifeguards at Wallis Road Ext., Cable Road Ext. & Sawyer's Beach, 10 a.m.–5 p.m.

Our Town Family Fun Night—Saturday, June 3rd, 5:00 p.m., Parsons Field.
Fire Works at dusk. Sponsored by Rye Lions Club

Independence Day Celebration—Tuesday, July 4, 6:30 p.m., Parsons Field
The Jim and Karrie Show at 7:00, fireworks at dusk.

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