



Town of Rye Newsletter



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Selectmen's Message:

Selectmen Discuss the Progress of Warrant Articles

Annually, following March voting, the work of the Selectmen's office must be prioritized anew. Approved warrant articles guide the re-ordered agenda as these directives are appropriately integrated among routine, required and ongoing tasks.

Update on Warrant Article Progress:

At the close of 2012, as warrant articles were being formulated, we determined that to best assure the Town's ability to move forward with resolution of Town Hall over-

crowding and renovation, we should divide the funding request in keeping with the next steps proposed by the Town Hall Space Needs Committee which had been determined with public input. The result was **Articles 4, 5 and 8**. If Article 4 asking voter approval of \$60,000 for preparation of Town Hall schematic designs by a licensed architect/engineer was defeated, we could still move forward to determine the limitations, possibilities and costs regarding Town usage of the old police station/trolley barn (Article 5) and undertake space needs reduction with assistance from a firm specializing in NH municipal records organization (Article 8). All three articles were approved.

Because a well-defined scope of work is required to proceed with our search for a licensed architect/engineer to prepare the Town Hall schematic designs, we opted to undertake **Article 5** first to provide clarity regarding options for the old PD building.

A Request for Proposal (RFP) to study and report on the potential use of the 1899 trolley barn/old police department building by a licensed engineer and/or architect in keeping with Article 5 of the 2013 warrant was written and advertised. Completed proposals were due no later than Friday, May 3rd.

Approval of **Article 8** provided \$25,000 for the purpose of retaining a company specializing in New Hampshire municipal records and document management and to facilitate the Town's records retention system. In order to maximize this funding, the second floor offices of Town Hall were closed three Fri-

days in April, except for emergencies, to provide blocks of time for employees to begin the process. During this time, they were able to delve into cartons of old records in the attic and elsewhere. An RFP is being developed for the work to be done and once the company has been selected, its work will begin.

Video streaming of meetings held in the old Court Room of Town Hall became a reality as the result of voter approval of **Article 9**. Our minimal approach, at least until Town Hall renovation plans are developed, consists of one fixed camera, one microphone and the supporting technical equipment. The selectmen's meeting of April 22 provided an in-house test run of the equipment that required the installing technician to return; but history was made on May 2, 2013 when the ZBA meeting was successfully broadcast.

Directions to enable access of video streamed meetings may be found on the front page of the Town Website at www.town.rye.nh.us

Article 15 authorized the Board of Selectmen and the Beach Commission (or a committee thereof) to study the impact of businesses and organized events on town beaches. The BOS and Beach Commission, through its chairman Mike Labrie, agreed to establish a Beach Activity Impact Committee of not less than three or more than ten Rye residents. The charge to this ad hoc committee includes study of the impact of business and organized beach activities as they relate to public safety, liability of the Town and

NO SPRAY

Residents who do not want their property treated for mosquitoes must contact Dragon Mosquito Control in writing at P.O. Box 46, Stratham, NH 03885. Be sure to include your name, physical address, phone number and a description of your property with boundaries OR visit Dragon's web site www.DragonMosquito.com to register your No-Spray request online. Residents who would like to have their stagnant water checked for mosquitoes may call Dragon's office at 734-4144 or email Info@DragonMosquito.com. There is no charge for this service. Contact Dragon Mosquito for more information on spray dates, location, materials used, precautions and other con-

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enjoyment of our town beaches. It also includes proposal of regulation if deemed to be necessary and public hearings.

Letters have been sent to invite individuals to become committee members. The Beach Activity Impact Committee membership will be announced when it is complete.

March voter approval of **Article 19** calling for the posting of agendas and minutes on the Town website of any public board, committee or commission associated with the Town imposes a higher standard than RSA 91-A:2 for the posting of minutes and meetings with which the Town has always complied.

Motivation for submission of this petition article became clearer during discussion at the Selectmen's meeting of 4/22/13. Peter Crawford, speaking as a petitioner, stated that the purpose of Article 19 was to "tighten things up". He stated that "things" not officially parts of the Town, such as Jenness Beach Precinct, Rye Water District and Rye Beach Village District should be put on the Town website for everyone to see.

Voters need to understand that compliance with Article 19 does not mean that unless a topic is listed in advance on the agenda it cannot be introduced and discussed at a properly posted meeting. Furthermore, the Town of Rye cannot interfere with the authority of Jenness Beach Precinct, Rye Water District or Rye Beach Village District which are independent governmental bodies, separate from the Town. The Town is willing to invite these entities to submit agendas and minutes for posting on the Town website in a timely fashion; but we have no authority to do more.

Change in the Assessing Office

An RFP for Proposals for Assessing Services was developed after we received word in March from Norm LeBlond that he had decided not to renew his contract as Assessor. Norm took over responsibility for the Assessing Department at a difficult time and has brought the office into compliance with DRA standards.

Interviews to fill this vacancy will not take place until after this newsletter goes to press.

Capital Improvement Program Committee Change

With the resignation of Tom McCormick, an opening occurred on the CIP Committee that must be filled by a member of the Planning Board. Phil Winslow has volunteered to fill this position and we thank him for his added service to the Town.

Energy Committee Charge Renewed

On April 8th, the charge to the Rye Energy Committee was renewed for the upcoming year. The Committee is composed of Danna Truslow, Susan Anderson and Michele Sopher plus two newly added members: Tom Archibald and Howard Kalet.

Also this spring, the Selectmen were presented with a request from Deidre Smyrnos, Lisa Moll and Susan Anderson to form and become a recycling committee. In response to their request, the Selectmen have established a Recycling Education Committee as a subcommittee of the Energy Committee. This subcommittee will be charged as follows: "To educate Town residents on recycling and maximizing of the Town's source separated recycling drop-off facility at the Transfer Station". This subcommittee will work

through the Energy Committee and with Public Works Director Dennis McCarthy. The next step will be appointment of the members to the Recycling Education Committee.

Sanders Point Controversy

Sanders Point refers to an ill-defined peninsula of land on the Rye side of the bridge between Rye and Newcastle. In July of 2003, Sanders descendants requested permission from the Board of Selectmen to place a sign in this area denoting its historic significance dating to 1623.

In October of 2012, the Building Inspector issued a permit to Wentworth by the Sea Country Club (WBTSCC) for 66' of fence along Wentworth Road/1-B which is in the Sanders Point area. The permit contained the following conditions: "1. The issuance of this permit does not constitute an admission by the Town that there are no prescriptive rights to use of this area. 2. The historic marker shall not be disturbed."

Rye resident Robert Jesurum, based on his assertion of continued public use of the Sanders Point access to Little Harbor beach, requested the Town to stop fence construction.

The Town, on advice of Town Counsel Michael Donovan, stated that a claim of a prescriptive easement is a civil matter. The decision is not within the purview of the Selectmen or our land use boards. The Town also determined that application pertaining solely to a fence did not exceed the threshold that required Planning Board approval.

Following fence installation, boulders which obstruct parking along Wentworth Road, large shrubs and grading were added to the area in question by WBTSCC.

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These items were not included on the building permit application.

The Town requested WBTSCC to come before the Planning Board for a revised site plan. In doing so, the Town did not reverse itself. This request was not made because of the fence as reported in the media but because the additional improvements, including the planted screening, boulders and other site work when taken together with the fence, exceeded the threshold wherein Planning Board approval is necessary, in the Town's view.

In response to a request by Mr. Jesurum, the ZBA stated that prescriptive easements are not in its jurisdiction; and WBTSCC declined to go before the Planning Board in response to the Board of Selectmen's request.

Mr. Jesurum, through his attorney, Paul McEachern, filed suit against WBTSCC, the Town of Rye and the State of New Hampshire. The Town filed a cross claim against WBTSCC that included violation of Planning Board regulations.

A preliminary court hearing was held April 26, 2013 in Rockingham Superior Court on Mr. Jesurum's request for a temporary injunction to restore public access pending the final outcome of the litigation, during which representatives of all four parties involved in this dispute were present. It has not been the habit of the Town to comment on ongoing litigation. A court decision has not been received at this writing.

House Numbers

How much time can you or a family member afford to lose following a 911 call for emergency services because your house num-

ber is missing or hidden from view?

The subject of house numbering surfaced again at a recent Selectmen's meeting. Fire Chief Skip Sullivan stated that many Rye homes still do not display numbers despite the ordinance and reminders. He noted that many homes in the Rye Beach Village District are not properly numbered and added that many homes throughout the town with numbers posted do not comply with the ordinance.

For example, some beautifully landscaped homes have brass numbers (which do not show up well at night) and/or have numbers affixed to a rock or post that is buried with snow part of the year. Please remember that even if our first responders know your home by name, in the event of two or more calls at once, your assistance may come via mutual aid from a neighboring town with personnel less familiar with Rye residents than our own emergency personnel. It is in your interest for your house number to be properly displayed in accordance with the Town's

standards. At some point, your life may depend on it. *(See pg 19 for the Building Numbers Ordinance.)*

Thresher Memorial

On your behalf, a donation was sent to the Thresher Memorial Fund earlier this year. As a result, the Town was invited to submit wording for an 8" X 8" plaque to become part of the newly created and dedicated Thresher Memorial in Kittery, Maine. Our plaque reads as follows:

THE TOWN OF RYE, NH
REMEMBERS
THE THRESHER FAMILIES:
ETERNAL APPRECIATION
FOR SACRIFICE
BEYOND MEASURE

Wishing you and your family
a happy and safe summer season.

Board of Selectmen,

Joseph G. Mills, Jr., Chairman
Craig N. Musselman, Vice Chairman
Priscilla V. Jenness, Selectman



Micheline Labrie paddle boarding off Jenness Beach
Photo by Mike Labrie, Beach Commission Chairman

Town Clerk/Tax Collector's Message

Great News! After many years of trying to become Boat Agents, it has finally happened. Beginning on May 13th, you will be able to register your boats (pleasure crafts only, no commercial boats) in our office. You do not have to be a Rye resident to use this service. Any owner wishing to use their boats in NH can register them here in Rye. Robin, Donna and I have received our certifications and are pleased to offer this service.

Once again we are offering the ability to license your dogs, purchase Beach Parking Permits and to pay your tax and sewer bills online. To use these services just go to the town's website (www.town.rye.nh.us).

Beach Parking Permits are available for purchase. The fee, \$20.00 per vehicle, remains the same as last year. To be eligible for a Beach Parking Permit you must be a Rye resident or property owner. A vehicle registration **must** be presented for each permit requested. NH privacy laws no longer allow us to look up your plate number so please don't ask us to do so. If you have trouble getting in to the office to purchase your permit, you may apply either through the mail or on the town's website. For mail-in requests, please include a copy of the registration for each permit requested. A stamped, self-addressed envelope is also required if done by mail. For internet requests, provide a plate number and state of registration for each vehicle. Your status as a resident or property owner will be verified before the Beach Parking Permit is issued.

The State of New Hamp-

shire is now requesting every person registering a motor vehicle, whether that vehicle belongs to you or someone else, to produce their driver's license. This requirement is to prevent the fraudulent use of NH vehicle documents during the illegal exportation of vehicles to foreign countries. Be sure to have your license ready the next time you visit our office for vehicle registration. Most people have been very cooperative in dealing with this new requirement.

Have you licensed your dog yet? If not, you are late. All dogs must be licensed by April 30th each year. A current rabies certificate is required to license your dog. If you have misplaced the certificate, please contact your vet's office for a duplicate. The fees are as follows: Spayed or neutered dog \$6.50; Puppies under 7 months of age \$6.50; Unaltered dog \$9.00. Senior citizens (over 65) may license one dog at a discounted price of \$2.00. Late fee if done after May 31st is 1.00/month.

Dog owners may face a Civil Forfeiture of **\$25.00 per dog** if the license is not completed by May 31st. Dog licenses may be done in person, by mail or via the internet. Please include a current rabies certificate and appropriate fee for each dog as well as a stamped, self-addressed envelope if done by mail.

First Issue 2013 Property Tax bills should be in the mail by the end of May. They will be due **July 1**. Taxpayers who escrow their taxes should forward a copy of the tax bill to the mortgage company. If you pay by mail and would like a receipt, just include a

stamped, self-addressed envelope with your payment. We would be happy to get the receipt back to you. Historically, the days at the end of June & beginning of July are extremely busy in our office. Our summer residents are arriving; people are registering vehicles, paying taxes and getting their Beach Parking Permits. If you don't want to stand in line when paying your taxes, consider making your payment by mail or online. Remember, as long as your payment is post-marked July 1 or earlier, the payment will be considered on time.

Elizabeth M. Yeaton
Town Clerk/Tax Collector
603-964-8562

Rye Recycling Education Committee



Rye is forming a Recycling Education Committee and inviting any interested residents to join. Most neighboring communities have Recycling Committees and we're looking forward to having one of our own. The charge of the committee, as defined by the Selectmen, is "To educate Town residents on recycling and maximize the effectiveness of the Town's source separated recycling drop-off facility at the Transfer Station." Anyone interested, please contact Susan Anderson at sorazi3@comcast.net

Notes From the Beach

Guest writer Keper Connell offers his expertise about the beach.

When we think of the beach, often times relaxation, sunbathing, swimming and listless carefree wandering come to mind. For many, the beach is a babysitter, a function space, and the best place to be during the warm summer months. But what creates such a multifaceted location? And why does the beach that we grew up on, change its appearance from year to year?

The first catalyst in the creation and metamorphosis of our beaches is the LONGSHORE CURRENT & DRIFT. This is a process in which waves travel through shallow water and some of their energy is transferred to sand grains, which set them in motion. This interaction continuously forms and reforms beaches and transports sands along the coast. In a conveyor belt-like syndrome, our beaches are cycled and recycled by sands and rubble deposited and redeposited perpetually. Especially during the winter months. This longshore drift moves down shore, in our case from the Piscataqua River towards the Merrimac River and all points between. This explains why our beaches look so dramatically barren in the winter months.

Storms and high water volume enhances this longshore sequence and remove much of the sands and expose ledge and rock. This also explains why the sunken forest near Ordiorne Point, and the barge at Stinky Creek show themselves in the winter and not the summer. This is why ports and harbors, like Rye Harbor become more

restricted in capacity and navigation as well.

So this summer, when you are at your favorite spot, on your favorite beach, observe the changes. Are there new rocks? Is there less sand? Is the overall complexion of the beach different? If there is, you can thank the longshore current and drift.

Keper Connell is a 34 year old commercial fisherman and charter boat captain operating out of Rye Harbor. He is an avid scuba diver and surfer. Learn more about him at CLANFISH.COM



Sunken Forest exposed at Northern end of Jenness Beach. March 2013
Photo by Mike Labrie, Beach Commission Chairman

Police Chief Offers a Few Reminders

Rye Police and other local police departments are receiving theft reports of wallets and purses taken from unlocked parked vehicles. Please remove these items

from your vehicle at night or when parked at the beach. Also, when parked at the beach, please do not leave valuable items in your vehicles. In many of the most recent thefts from vehicles, a single credit card is taken. Often, no one notices a single card missing, giving time for someone to make unauthorized purchases on the card. **In any case, always remember to lock your vehicle, even when parked in your driveway.**

Beach parking advice: When you get your 2013 Beach Parking Permit Sticker from the Town Clerk's office, immediately put it on the driver's side rear window. Parking enforcement will ticket vehicles without a sticker once the "Parking by Permit Only" signs are posted.

Remember, Rye beaches are dry - **NO ALCOHOL**. Town ordinance prohibits open containers of alcoholic beverages. Beaches are open from sunrise to midnight. Any permits for fires must be approved by the Fire Chief. The Town of Rye property owner obtaining the fire permit must extinguish the fire before leaving the beach. **NO FIRE SHALL BE BUILT ON THE SAND AREA OF ANY BEACH.**

Bicycles: All bicyclists shall ride single file. Rye now has an ordinance requiring bicyclists, runners and walkers to stay single file. Police Officers are asking people to speak up and say something when they see people riding abreast. We also request parents speak with their children about skate boarding on roads. The main roads, Washington, Wallis and Central Roads are not the safest roads for skate boarding due to the high volume of traffic. Please remember, if your children are under the age of 16, they must wear a helmet.

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Police Chief's Message

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On **May 31st**, local police officers and citizens will run in the Special Olympics Torch Run. Police officers and other citizens run torches from different areas of New Hampshire, converging in Durham, NH at UNH for the Special Olympics opening ceremony. Please be patient if traffic is delayed. As always, thank you for your continued support.

As of May 31st Sergeant Jeff Peirce will be retiring. Jeff will be staying on as a part time officer. Thank him for his devotion to duty the Department and to me over the last 32 years.

The State of New Hampshire has built up the sea walls along Ocean Blvd. This maintenance is necessary to ensure future storms will not wash out roads and do damage to private property.

As always, thank you for your continued support.

Stay safe and enjoy the summer!

Kevin Walsh
Chief of Police

Seasonal Health Tips from Rye Fire & Rescue

The warm weather is upon us! The summer temperatures are coming! We need to be mindful when we leave the house on those hot days whether we are at the beach or taking a walk. Staying hydrated is key; here are some simple tips:

- ♦ Drinking water instead of sugary or caffeinated drinks

- ♦ Consuming on average 2 ½ liters of water per day
- ♦ Be conscious about staying in the sun for long periods of time, your body gets depleted of water quickly

Sweating dehydrates you fast! If you're planning on participating in sporting events, replenish the water that you've lost through sweating.

The bugs are out! This means more allergic reactions occur. Be alert to signs of severe allergic reaction from things like insect stings. Some signs and symptoms to be on the lookout for include: localized swelling, hives and difficulty breathing. If you have an Epi pen make sure to check the expiration date and to keep it close at all times. Along with allergic reactions come the mosquitos and black flies. These annoying insects carry the deadly West Nile Virus and EEE. It is important to wear bug spray and light colored clothing when possible to discourage these pesky bugs.

For all you beach goers! There is 8 miles of coastline in Rye including town and state beaches. Lifeguards will be back this year in full strength ready for the beach season. They have a large area to manage and crowded beaches. This means everyone needs to be vigilant and watch friends, family, and especially children near the shore line. If there is no lifeguard on duty, you are swimming at your own risk.

Outdoor sports pick up a lot in the summer. Helmet safety is one of our biggest concerns. Whether you're riding a motorcycle or a skateboard it is important to always remember you can avoid most head injuries by simply wearing a helmet.

Have fun, be safe and enjoy your summer.

Jake MacGlashing, Firefighter-Paramedic
EMS Coordinator,
Rye Fire & Rescue

Building Department Notes

What requires a Building Permit??

Almost all changes to structures and land development are covered by the State Building Code and Rye Ordinances. We all know that the large projects need permits; here are a few that you may not think need permits:

- ♦ Cupolas
- ♦ Decks
- ♦ Fences and replacement fence
- ♦ Garages
- ♦ Greenhouses
- ♦ New siding of different material
- ♦ Patios
- ♦ Pool sheds
- ♦ Pools
- ♦ Porches
- ♦ Porticos
- ♦ Railings
- ♦ Retaining walls
- ♦ Roofing and reroofing
- ♦ Septic systems
- ♦ Sheds
- ♦ Stairs
- ♦ Stone walls
- ♦ Temporary structures

Any work that involves an addition, reconfiguration, alteration, repair, or demolition needs a permit. Work involving plumbing, electrical or heating systems requires a separate permit.

Plot plans are required for most Building Permit Applications

Permit applications must include a plot plan of what exists, and what you intend to do.

The plot plan may be as simple as a drawing to scale for

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small projects, or it may need to be done by a licensed professional for a larger project. I need enough detail on the plot plan to verify that the proposal meets the requirements of Rye Ordinances. We have a handout on what is required on plot plans and all requirements for building permit applications.

If you have any questions, please call for clarification.

What if the structure is "grandfathered"?

Do not assume that something is "grandfathered" if it exists. It can only be "grandfathered" and permitted to be replaced if the original structure was properly permitted in

Rye Historical Society & Town Museum Summer News

Programs

On the evening of April 25, the Society and the Friends of the Library hosted a program about Star Island that was attended by approximately 50 people. We are planning a presentation sometime in mid-summer celebrating the anniversaries of either the Revolutionary War, the War of 1812, or the Civil War that helped shape Rye and the nation.

The Rye Museum

The Town Museum is open on Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. through October. It will also be open on most Wednesdays from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. and on request by calling 997-6742.

New features in the Museum include the opening of our upstairs library and the display of our 2005 exhibit, "Summering in Rye: Over a Century by the Sea," the hotels and boarding houses of Rye's Golden Victorian resort era.

accordance with the zoning that was in effect at the time. If no permit exists, it may be an illegal structure and cannot be replaced. If it is determined to be "grandfathered", it is only the "bulk" that is grandfathered and it cannot be altered, enlarged or moved.

Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Detectors are Required

Smoke and carbon monoxide detectors are required to be upgraded to current code in all dwellings whenever a building permit is taken out. Be sure to check for operation every month.

Storm Water Management

Rye Zoning Ordinance controls the movement of storm water from one property to another. Since 2002 the Building Inspector has been empowered to require a storm water management plan, done by the land owner at time of new development that will not adversely affect the abutters of the Town's

rights of way. The Ordinance also controls the amount of impermeable area that can be placed on a lot. While it is easy to tell if some areas are permeable, others are not as simple. While you may think that a gravel driveway with shells on it is permeable, it may not be. Permeable surfaces need to be designed to infiltrate the water that falls on it during a rain event. A well compacted gravel surface may not do this. While there is much guidance on how to construct a permeable surface, it takes an engineer to insure that it is designed correctly. If you have any question dealing with the building of structures or changes to sites, please feel free to contact the Building Department. The office is open 8 AM to 12 Noon, 5 days a week. The Building Inspector is available by appointment in the afternoons.

Peter Rowell
Building Inspector

Trolley Tours of Rye history

On May 11, another Trolley Tour of some of Rye's historic sites wended its way past historic homes, a working farm, a former grand hotel, Rye harbor (site of the battle during the War of 1812) dating from the 18th century to the near present, and St. Andrews-by-the-Sea Chapel completed in 1877. We will be offering a summer Trolley Tour on Saturday, August 3rd from 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. leaving from the Museum.

For further information and to make reservations e-mail: info@ryenhistoricalociety.org

Expanding the written record of Rye



The Rye Historical Society is working on a new history of Rye

with the focus being on the late 19th and 20th centuries. The Society is looking for any information, stories, anecdotes, family histories, history of businesses, town government, fishing, farming, social life, entertainment and other historic activities, as well as photographs to copy. Please contact us at the above e-mail address, if you have an item to expand our town's history.

Rye Flag Contest Ends Soon

The contest to design a flag for the Town of Rye ends on April 30th. Designs for the flag may be submitted in collection containers at the Town Hall, the Library, the Elementary School, the Junior High School, and the Hungry Horse Café. The contest is open to everyone. The person designing the best flag emphasizing Rye's heritage and tradition will be given a suitable prize.

RYE ART IN BLOOM 2013



"Seascape" by Julie Hyde, Watercolor;
Flower Arranger:
Fran Hyde

The Town of Rye Recreation Department, Webster at Rye, the Rye Driftwood Garden Club and Rye Art Study Group recently held the 13th annual Rye Art in Bloom at Webster at Rye. The exhibit displayed 27 selected works of art interpreted in flower arrangements. Music performed by Bob Allison, Dick Kruppa and Neal Zweig.

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

1. "Abstract Flower #1" by Joan Sweeney, Watercolor; Flower Arranger: Helena Garbarini
2. "An Unexpected Sunset" by Roger Venden, Oil; Flower Arranger: Rebecca Dixon
3. "Ashley and Her Kitties" by Doris Rice, Watercolor; Flower Arranger: Cynthia Gagnon
4. "At the Circus" by Maddi Alana, Watercolor; Flower Arrangers: Becky Franz and Stephanie Johnston
5. "Blue House and Gardens" by Priscilla Brown, Watercolor; Flower Arranger: Karey Papke Kelly
6. "California Golden Cutthroat Trout" by Jodi Adams, Quilted

Fabric; Flower Arrangers: Bev Lord and Marge Robertson

7. "Dinner Time" by Jean Leopold, Oil; Flower Arranger: Sarah Oliver
8. "Echo Lake Ledge" by Patricia Dubois, Pastel; Flower Arranger: Margaret Gray
9. "End of Summer" by Marianne Forman, Oil; Flower Arranger: Janice Ireland
10. "Gannets Caressing" by Robert Mitchell, Wood; Flower Arranger: Jane Holway
11. "Ghost of a Trombonist in a Green Hat" by Barbara London, Watercolor; Flower Arranger: Barbara London
12. "Ha Long Bay" by Lynn Joslyn, Watercolor; Flower Arranger: Carol Moore
13. "Mont St. Michel" by Christine Orliac, Oil; Flower Arranger: Jan Olmstead
14. "Overlooking Grand Canyon" by Ann Tolson, Acrylic; Flower Arranger: Cindy King
15. "River's Edge" by Priscilla Jenness, Oil; Flower Arranger: Priscilla Jenness
16. "Seascape" by Julie Hyde, Watercolor; Flower Arranger: Fran Hyde

17. "Seashells Forgotten" by Elizabeth Carlsen, Watercolor; Flower Arranger: Elizabeth Carlsen
18. "Seaside Garden" by Claire Russo, Watercolor; Flower Arranger: Priscilla Patrick
19. "Spring on Great Bay" by Linda Szabo, Watercolor; Flower Arranger: Ann Malpass
20. "Statues" by Jillian Swist, Oil; Flower Arranger: Shawna Swist
21. "Steel Tapestry" by Terri Donsker, Photography; Flower Arranger: Jaci Grote
22. "Summer Blooms" by Shirley Lyle, Watercolor; Flower Arranger: Kelley Gallant
23. "Swhimsical Fish" by Carol Rodenberg, Watercolor; Flower Arranger: Lisa Arvidson
24. "The Gift of Flowers" by Barbara Ripley, Oil; Flower Arranger: Karen Johnson
25. "The Monadnocks" by Elizabeth Boynton, Watercolor; Flower Arranger: Kim Devlin-Brytz
26. "Tinker" by Judith Stillwagon, Pastel; Flower Arranger: Judith Stillwagon
27. "Wisdom of the Ancients" by Angelo Sinisi, Bronze; Flower Arranger: Joan Sinisi



WE HEAR YOU AND WE THANK YOU!

The Rye Recreation Commission conducted a town-wide survey last summer to solicit input from citizens on how to improve and develop recreational facilities and programs. Thank you to everyone who participated. The survey collected rankings and comments on Town facilities used for recreation and Rye Recreation Department Programs. The comments covered a wide range of constructive suggestions. Those pertaining to other Boards, Commissions, and Departments have been forwarded to them for their information and action as they deem appropriate. This article will cover some of the highlights.

Twenty four facilities were rated on their quality. The beaches received more than 300 comments and were ranked as good. The Recreation House and Modular received the lowest overall average ranking, which was below par.

Thirty eight Rye Recreation Programs were rated on the program delivery. The Memorial Day Ceremony and the July 4th Celebration received the most responses and were ranked better than good. Nineteen programs that targeted youth participation were ranked good or better by 72% of respondents and ten programs that targeted adult participation were ranked good or better by 64% of respondents. The eight programs designed for adults and youth were ranked good or better by 79% of the respondents. Only one person judged one program as "Poor".

There were various comm-

ents and suggestions that were reoccurring. Safety concerns include the parking lot at the Recreation Area being dark and that the streets in Rye are narrow and without sidewalks for walking and riding bicycles, especially to and from the beach. 25% of respondents wanted "Bike Trails/Lanes" and 13% wanted "Walking/Jogging Paths".

The Recreation House and Modular were described by some as "Rec. buildings need to be updated and freshened up" ... "not nice" ... "house/modular are frankly pathetic" ... "need to be replaced with a proper building" ... "Rec. facilities should be torn down". 18.8% of respondents indicated that

their first development priority would be a Community Center for all ages.

Many respondents mentioned wanting more and better beach access, parking, toilet facilities, trash collection and beach cleaning. Some respondents wanted more places to walk their dog while others wanted stricter enforcement of dogs and owners who do not pick-up after them.

The results of the survey will be utilized to update the Recreation Department Master Plan that is scheduled to be published next year. For more information contact the Rye Recreation Department at 964-6281.

2013-2014 SCHOOL YEAR RYE RECREATION AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM PART TIME POSITIONS

COUNSELOR: 2:15 – 6:00 p.m., M-F

COUNSELOR IN TRAINING: 3:30-5:30 p.m., 1-2 days a week
Rye School District Calendar is followed

The Town of Rye Recreation Department After School Program provides recreation programming to children in Grades K-5.

Experience working with children in a similar setting and/or equivalent education preferred. Successful candidate should be comfortable leading sport related group activities, is a positive role model for participants and must pass criminal record check.

A Town of Rye Application is required and is available on the town web site at http://www.town.rye.nh.us/pages/RyeNH_Selectmen/app.pdf or from the Rye Recreation Department Office. Applications should be submitted to:

Town of Rye Recreation Department
10 Central Road, Rye, NH, 03870
Tel. (603) 964-6281, Fax (603) 964-1516
larthur@town.rye.nh.us

Open until filled.



SUMMER PROGRAMS

10 Central Road Rye, NH 03870, Tel. 964-6281, Fax 964-1516
E-mail: larthur@town.rye.nh.us, Town Website: www.town.rye.nh.us/

2013

2013-14 AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

Is open to grades K-2 and 3-5, 2:40-5:50 p.m., M-F at Rye Elementary school. The cost of the program is \$14.00/day with a minimum of 2 days required.

There is a 10% discount for each additional child in the same family. Please contact the Recreation Department at 964-6281 for availability.



FALL SOCCER SIGN-UP NIGHT

Wednesday, June 5, 2013, 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Rye Recreation Modular, 55 Recreation Road

(Rye and New Castle Residents Only)

Soccer deadline is Friday, July 26, 2013

Late Fee of \$30 will be applied to soccer registrations received after the deadline.



JULY 4TH CELEBRATION

Thursday, July 4, 2013, Parsons Field

7:00 p.m., Live Band

At dusk fireworks by Jack Tobey & Crew
WEATHER PERMITTING - NO RAIN DATE



SUMMERTIME HORYEZONS

DAY CAMP is a thematically based day camp for youth entering grades K-6. This year's camp runs June 24-August 16, 2013. Held at the Recreation House, 55 Recreation Road. 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. Water activities daily and a BBQ every Friday - weather permitting. Registrations received after June 1st are not guaranteed a t-shirt.

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.

Post-Camp: 4:00-4:30 p.m.

Fees:

Weeks 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8; Full Day: \$135/wk,

Half-Day: \$72.50/wk

Week 2 (No Camp July 4th); Full Day: \$108/wk,

Half-Day: \$58/wk

*Fee includes t-shirt

Week 1, June 24-28, Hoeing, Sowing, & Growing

Calling all gardeners! Enjoy learning how to plant vegetables and flowers. Create decorative planters, garden markers and stepping stones. Dig in the dirt and start summer off right.

Week 2, July 1-5, American Traditions

(No camp July 4) Join us as we celebrate our nation's birthday. Celebrate by playing fun games, create cool decorations and bake some all-time favorite treats as well as learn about some traditions that make our country great.

Week 3, July 8-12, Detectives of Rye

Get those magnifying glasses out! Solve some mysteries as campers turn into detectives using magnifying glasses and lifting finger prints.

Week 4, July 15-19, Radical Reptiles

Lizards, turtles and snakes, oh my! Examine the different types of reptiles and what makes them so special. Enjoy games and activities with an amphibian twist.



Week 5, July 22-26, Vivacious Vikings

Oh no! The invasion of Rye Vikings! Who were the Vikings? Get the exciting answer to that question and more as we travel back in time and learn all about these notorious pirates.

Week 6, July 29 - August 2, Totally Talented

Are you musical, theatrical, comical or whimsical? Come and share your talent. Plan a spectacular talent show and perform for a friendly audience at the end of the week.

Week 7, August 5-9, Our Wonderful World

Take a peek at how people differ from all parts of the world and yet are still the alike. Play games, cook foods from other countries, try to learn a new language and explore new music and dances.

Week 8, August 12-16, Games Galore

Games, games, games, - - - Who likes to play games? Play your favorites like Capture the Flag, Dr. Dodge Ball, Steal the Bacon and learn some new games, too.



OVER 55 TRIP: THE SPIRIT OF BOSTON

Come aboard and enjoy the most entertaining experience in Boston featuring the luncheon Grande Buffet! The two-hour cruise on Boston's historic harbor is perfect for an afternoon getaway. While you dine you will be entertained with a fascinating narrated tour of Boston's skyline. After lunch the DJ plays various hits. After the cruise there will be time at Faneuil Hall and Quincy Market before heading for home. Tuesday, July 23, 2013, departure time and location TBD. Fee: \$81 (Includes transportation, admission and lunch) Must be a member of the Active, Alive and Over 55 Club. Limited space available.



OVER 55 PICKLEBALL is a simple paddle

game played using a special perforated, slow-moving ball over a tennis-type net on a badminton size court. Instruction is provided by Bill Wilson of Rye. Come and try it! Held at the Rye Recreation Area, 55 Recreation Road, Rye. Weather permitting. Wednesdays, July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, 2013, 10:00 a.m. Fee: No charge (5 classes) Must be a member of the Active, Alive and Over 55 Club. Registration form required.



GROUP TENNIS LESSONS

are co-ed and will be held indoors at the New Castle Recreation Facility. Instruction is provided by Zoltan Konecz, USPTA tennis professional. Participants will need to bring a racket and drink. Participants are grouped based on grade level, not on ability. For additional tennis opportunities, please contact the Recreation Department.

Session 1, Fridays, July 5, 12, 19, 26, 2013

4yrs-Entering K, 3:00-4:00 p.m.; Entering Grades 1-3,

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

Entering Grades 7-12, 6:00-7:00 p.m.; Adult, 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Session 2, Fridays, August 2, 9, 16, 23, 2013

4yrs-Entering K 3:00-4:00 p.m.; Entering Grades 1-3,

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

Entering Grades 7-12, 6:00-7:00 p.m.; Adult, 7:00-8:00 p.m.

Fee: \$50 per session (4 lessons)



BABYSITTER COURSE

provides you with the skills and confidence you need to be a great babysitter. Hands-on activities, video, plus discussion on decision making skills and solutions for real-life problems. Participants earn American Red Cross Certification. Held at the Rye Public Library, Rye. For ages 11 and up. Participants should bring lunch, snack and drink.

Saturday, June 15, 2013,

8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Fee: \$85



ADULT YOGA AND MEDITATION

are instructed by Jeanie Ryan. Build inner and outer strength while relaxing and centering the mind. Breathe. Have fun with others while learning the ancient practices of yoga and meditation to harmonize the mind, body and spirit. This is a multi level class and mats are provided. Held at the Rye Recreation Modular, 55 Recreation Road, Rye.

Tuesdays, July 16, 23, 30, August 6, 13

2013, 9:00-10:30 a.m.

Fee: \$82.50 (5 classes)



YOUTH GROUP GOLF LESSONS are provided by Pease Golf Course. These co-ed lessons are focused on introducing the fundamentals of golf to young aspiring players. Learn golf etiquette, putting, chipping, pitching, full swing and course management. Held at Pease Golf Course, 200 Grafton Road, Portsmouth, NH, rain or shine.

Week 1, July 15-19, 2013

Entering Grades K-4, 8:00-8:45 a.m.; Entering Grades 5-12, 9:00-10:00 a.m.

Week 2, August 5-9, 2013

Entering Grades K-4, 8:00-8:45 a.m.; Entering Grades 5-12, 9:00-10:00 a.m.

Fee: \$70 per week, clubs available if needed.

GROUP GOLF LESSONS are provided by Ford Sullivan, Certified PGA Instructor. Each session will cover set-up, full swing, pitching, chipping, putting and bunkers. Held at Pease Golf Course, 200 Grafton Road, Portsmouth, NH, rain or shine.

ADULT GROUP GOLF LESSONS (Co-ed)

Thursdays, June 13, 20, 27, July 11, 2013, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Fee: \$130 (4 lessons), clubs available if needed.

WOMEN'S GOLF LESSONS

Session 1, Tuesdays, June 11, 18, 25, July 9, 2013, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Session 2, Tuesdays, July 23, 30, August 6, 13, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Fee: \$130 per session (4 lessons), clubs available if needed.

YOUTH GROUP SURFING LESSONS are provided by Cinnamon Rainbows Surf Company. Learn the fundamentals of surfing and ocean safety. These co-ed lessons are for youth entering grades 6 and up. Held at Jenness Beach, in Rye, weather permitting. July 15-19, 2013, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Fee: \$195, equipment provided.

ADULT GROUP SURFING LESSONS are provided by Summer Sessions Surf Shop. Learn the fundamentals of surfing in a fun and inviting environment. Meet at Summer Sessions Surf Shop, 2281 Ocean Boulevard, Rye (across from Jenness Beach), weather permitting.

Session 1, Tuesdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23, 2013, 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Session 2, Tuesdays, July 30, August 6, 13, 20, 2013, 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Fee: \$140 per session (4 lessons), equipment provided.

GROUP STAND-UP PADDLE BOARD LESSONS are provided by Summer Sessions Surf Shop for individuals 16 years old to adult. Learn the fundamentals of paddle-boarding and see our beautiful coastline from a unique perspective. Meet at Summer Sessions Surf Shop, 2281 Ocean Boulevard (across from Jenness Beach), Rye, NH, weather permitting.

Session 1, Tuesdays, July 2, 9, 16, 23, 2013, 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Session 2, Tuesdays, July 30, August 6, 13, 20, 2013, 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Fee: \$140 per session (4 lessons), equipment provided.

SOCCER CAMP instruction is provided by NH Premier Soccer Academy and will be held at the Rye Recreation Area, 55 Recreation Road, Rye, rain or shine. Participants should bring snack and drink each day. Prior to arrival each day apply bug spray and sunscreen. July 29-August 2, 2013

School of Excellence

Entering Grades 3-4, Boys; Entering Grades 3-4, Girls;

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

Smart Soccer

Entering Grades 1-2, Co-ed, 1:00-2:30 p.m.; 4-5 yrs, Co-ed, 3:00-4:30 p.m.

Fee: 4 yrs to Entering Grade 2: \$60 includes t-shirt

Entering Grades 3-8: \$100 includes t-shirt

SKATEBOARD CAMP is provided by Rye Airfield. These co-ed lessons are taught by RAMP CAMP instructors who are among the most experienced skateboard instructors in New England. Held at Rye Airfield, 170 Lafayette Road, Rye. Helmets, knee pads, elbow pads and board required (rentals are available).

5 Days: July 22-26, 2013, Entering Grades 3-6, 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Fee: \$279 per session

3 Days: July 22, 23, 24, 2013, Entering Grades 3-6, 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Fee: \$179 per session



BASKETBALL CAMP Week 1, instruction is provided by Anne Haky, Assistant Women's Basketball Coach and Physical Education Teacher for Windham High and former player for Wilmington College in Ohio. Week 2 instruction is provided by Spartans Basketball Club Staff under the direction of Chris Coates who has played professionally and coached overseas as well as Brandee Gibbs former Division 1 player at Ohio State and overseas player. Held at Rye Elementary School. Participants should bring snack and drink each day. Registrations received after June 1st are not guaranteed a t-shirt.

Week 1, July 1-5, 2013 (Camp is held on July 4)

Entering Grades 1-5 Girls, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

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

Week 2, July 8-12, 2013

Entering Grades 3-5 Boys, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Entering Grades 6-8 Boys, 12:30-3:30 p.m.

Entering Grades 6-8 Girls, 12:30-3:30 p.m.

Entering Grades 1-2: \$80/wk, includes t-shirt & participation award

Entering Grades 3-8: \$100/wk, includes t-shirt & participation award



LEGO ROBOTICS CAMPS instruction is provided by Kevin Husson. This program is for youth entering grades 1-6 and held in the Recreation Area Modular, 55 Recreation Road, Rye. Campers attending more than one session need to bring a snack and drink each day. Note: Participants do not take LEGOs home.

Session 1, LEGO Robotics and Engineering Using LEGO Power Functions and Mindstorms Robotics, participants will have an opportunity to construct a variety of motorized machines and robotics. Many projects will be available including cars, a battle-tank, and a power crane. July 22-26, 2013, Entering Grades 1-6, 12:30-2:30 p.m.

Session 2, LEGO Robotics Using the latest LEGO Mindstorms NXT robotics technology, participants will have the opportunity to build LEGO robots. Dozens of different projects are available for all skill levels including a battle-bot, scorpion, and a tank.

July 22-26, 2013, Entering Grades 1-6, 2:30-4:30 p.m.

Fee: \$85 for one session, \$155 for both sessions



BASEBALL CAMP instruction is provided by David Adam, 10 year Pro Pitcher. Learn basic skills for the beginner to advanced player. This co-ed camp will be held at the Rye Recreation Area, 55 Recreation Road. Participants should bring snack and drink each day. Prior to arrival each day apply bug spray and sunscreen. August 5-9, 2013

Entering Grades 2-6, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Fee: \$125



YOUTH KARATE is instructed by Sensei Paul Karlik of Masters Kenpo Karate. These co-ed lessons are for youth entering grades K-8. Held at Masters Kenpo Karate Center, 106 Lafayette Road, North Hampton, NH.

Pee Wee Beginners, Grades K-5, Mondays, 5:15-6:15 p.m.;

Wednesdays, 4:00-5:00 p.m.

Jr. Teen Beginners, Grades 6-8, Mondays, 4:00-5:00 p.m.;

Wednesdays, 5:15-6:15 p.m.; Saturday, 12:00-1:00 p.m.

Fee: \$70 per month



TO REGISTER FOR SUMMER PROGRAMS:

Complete a Rye Recreation Department Registration Form indicating specific program(s). If paying by check, make it payable to Rye Recreation. Submit both registration form and payment to the Town of Rye Recreation Department, 10 Central Road, Rye, NH 03870. Registration is limited to a first come, first serve basis. Registration forms are available on the town website www.town.rye.nh.us/ and at the Recreation Department M-F, 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Summer Programs are not refundable and offered to all Rye, New Castle and non-residents. For more information, contact the Town of Rye Recreation Department at 964-6281.

Rye Public Library brings you: Summer 2013!

Remember our Summer Music Series, and ongoing Intro-to-resources available through our website. Find out what your library card can do for you! Each month we'll feature a different resource just waiting for you to sign in and use from home. View our calendar for scheduled events and speakers.

Ongoing Activities:

Adult Book Discussion: All are welcome to join these lively discussion groups here at RPL!

Now offering two sessions: Third Tuesday of each month at 2 pm (upstairs) and 7 pm (downstairs).

6/18 <i>Best American Short Stories of the Century</i>	8/20 <i>Wave: In Pursuit of the Rogues, Freaks and Giants of the Ocean</i> by Susan Casey
7/16 <i>Vanishing Act of Esme Lennox</i> by Maggie O' Farrell	

A Touch of Grace the Grace Putnam Memorial Film Series

Movies and popcorn on Wednesday afternoons at 1:00 pm! Enjoy our new projection system!

6/5 <i>The Intouchables</i> R 112 min	7/24 <i>Parental Guidance</i> PG 105 min
6/12 <i>Life of Pi</i> PG 127 min	7/31 <i>Cloud Atlas</i> R 172 min
6/19 <i>Silver Linings Playbook</i> R 122 min	8/1 <i>Quartet</i> PG-13 98 min
6/26 <i>A Late Quartet</i> R 105 min	8/14 <i>Wuthering Heights</i> 129 min
7/3 <i>Hyde Park on Hudson</i> R 94 min	8/21 <i>Identity Theft</i> R 111 min
7/10 <i>Roman Holiday</i> 118 min	8/28 <i>Water</i> PG-13 117 min
7/17 <i>Zero Dark Thirty</i> R 157 min	

Please visit the Library or check our website ryepubliclibrary.org for forthcoming movie selections!

Drawing Together Sketchbook Group: Every Tuesday 9:00- 10:00am. No special art supplies – with paper and a marking implement you are on your way! Learn at your own pace, with plenty of encouragement in a pressure-free environment.	Generations Genealogy Club: First Tuesdays at 1:00pm in the New Hampshire Room. Learn about the process, find resources at RPL! 6/4, 7/2, 8/6
Knitting with Mary: By the fireplace at 10 am every Thursday! All skill levels are invited to join this welcoming group.	Military Book Discussions: First Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm. 6/6, July date TBD, 8/8
Mah Jongg Club: Every Thursday at 12:30pm in the Community Meeting Room. Learn and play American style Mah Jongg with this enthusiastic group Monday afternoon senior visits to the library with pick up by the Rye Senior SERVE van. Please call the library if interested in joining the group! Schedule will be determined based on response and weather considerations.	

Sponsored by Friends of the Rye Public Library

Discounted Museum Passes: Borrow our passes for reduced or free entry to the following:

Children's Museum of N.H., Dover	Museum of Science, Boston
Currier Museum of Art, Manchester	New England Aquarium, Boston
Historic New England	Peabody Essex Museum, Salem, MA
Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, Boston	Seacoast Science Center, Rye
Portland Museum of Art, Portland, ME	Strawbery Banke, Portsmouth
Museum of Fine Arts, Boston	

Museum Passes Donated by the Friends of the Rye Public Library

FRIENDS OF THE RYE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Meetings on the second Tuesday of every month at 6 pm. New members welcome!

Meetings resume in September

Summer Music and Special Programs

6/13 7pm Master Gardener Thomas Mickey	7/17 3pm Music with Tom Barron and Band
6/12 3pm Music with Irish Balladeer Paul Carroll	8/14 3pm Music with Poor Howard
6/27 7pm Author Jennifer Pharr Davis	

All programs are free and open to the public!

COMPUTER CLASSES @ Your Library with our Technology Librarian

Lisa Breton-Eaton!

MONDAY COMPUTER TUTOR- Call to make an appointment for Mondays between 9:30–11 AM. Bring in your specific Windows or Mac computer-related questions for a 20 min. session.

2013 Summer TECH TALK COMPUTER CLASSES

Specific Wednesdays each month from 9:30-11 AM. Call 964-8401 to register for classes.

6/5 **Online Photo Sharing**: top photo sharing apps

6/19 **Mango Languages**: learn about this free resource

7/3 **Mac OS X**: learn about the Mac interface

7/17 **Genealogy Resources**: free from RPL!

8/7 **Using the NEW RPL Catalog**: learn how

8/21 **Downloadable Books**: free from RPL!

FRIDAY DEVICE ADVICE – Call 964-8401 to make an appointment for Fridays between 9:30-11 AM. Learn to borrow downloadable content for your e-reader or tablet through RPL in a 20 min. session.

Rye Public Library Youth Department Summer Programming 2013

Ongoing Activities:

Story Time Wednesdays 11:00 – 11:30 AM	Rye Public Library's Underground Lair Store Daily 10:00AM-2:00PM/Thursday 5:00-7:00 pm
Story Time at the Farmer's Market Wednesdays 2:30 – 3:00 PM	Read to Hank, the Black Lab Thursdays 10:30 – 11:30 AM (<i>sign-up required</i>)
Mother Goose Story Time (birth to 24 months) Fridays 10:00 – 10:30 AM	Family Movies Fridays @ 3:00 PM
Weekly Crafts and Trivia Daily all summer (once per week per person)	Book Bites Book Club & Snacks (Grades 3-5) June 26 th and July 31 st 3:30 – 4:15 PM
Triple Ticket Trivia Mondays 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM	Teen Online Summer Reading Program Opens Monday, June 24 th /URL: www.groundbreakingreads.wikispaces.com

Additional Programs: Sign-up required (unless noted)

Kick-Off Party! Musician Steve Blunt June 25 th 6:00 PM	11th Annual Talent Show July 10 th 6:00 PM
6th Annual Pet Show Off July 2 nd 6:00 PM	"Stuffie" Pet Show July 18 th 3:00 PM
Family Garden Club July 9 th 3:00 – 4:30 PM	Water Balloon Toss July 25 th 3:00 PM
Orienteering Adventure! July 9 th 6:00 PM	Big Trucks!!! July 23 rd 6:00 PM
Guessing Jar July 8 th – July 15 th (<i>no sign-up required</i>)	Edible Book Contest July 24 th 6:00 PM
Make a Compost Pile Cupcake July 16 th 3:00 PM (<i>no sign-up required</i>)	Closing Bash: Creatures of the Night (live animals) July 30 th 6:00 PM

We look forward to serving you in 2013! Thanks for your patronage.

Please review our website at ryepubliclibrary.org or call us: 964-8401 for expanded lists of programming and events, and to check dates and times.

RYE MOSQUITO CONTROL COMMISSION

The effects of that never-ending winter will be with us throughout the spring months. Melting snow filled woodland pools, swamps and depressions washing mosquito eggs into the water where they hatch into wiggling larvae. Adult mosquitoes begin hatching during the warmer days in May. In the meantime, black flies keep us company while we're doing yard work and cleaning up the damages of winter.

Dragon Mosquito Control began checking the various wetlands in Rye on April 1st with larviciding beginning soon thereafter. Data collected throughout the month of April reveals fairly high populations of mosquito larvae in the water. This is typical to see in the spring after a dry summer the previous year. It remains to be seen what the summer months will bring. Dry conditions will limit mosquito populations while a wet summer will produce more mosquitoes.

We expect the disease activity to return during the late summer into early fall. Dry summers favor West Nile Virus (WNV) while a wet summer will favor Eastern Equine Encephalitis or EEE. Beginning in July, adult mosquitoes will be collected throughout town and sent to the State Lab in Concord where they are tested for diseases. These disease test results tell us whether mosquitoes are carrying EEE or WNV. This guides our decision to spray the schools, Parsons Field and the Recreation Area.

There will be no roadside spraying this summer unless there is a serious public health threat. Dragon's emphasis on larviciding has reduced the need for routine road spraying except during disease outbreaks.

Residents who do not want their wetlands treated may use our No-Spray Registry online at www.DragonMosquito.com/No-Spray-Registry or write to Dragon Mosquito Control, P.O. Box 46, Stratham, NH 03885. Be sure to include your name, physical address, phone number, and a description of your property with boundaries. Otherwise, your property may be treated. Anyone who submitted a request in 2012 may contact the office to reaffirm your request. Inquiries may be emailed to info@dragonmosquito.com or call the office at 734-4144. Check out our website: www.dragonmosquito.com where you can request a larval survey, read more about what we do or click on the link to follow us on Twitter.

Respectfully submitted,
Sarah MacGregor
President
Dragon Mosquito Control, Inc.

GOSS FARM UPDATE

The Rye Conservation Commission would like to thank the voters of Rye for supporting the warrant article to preserve the Goss barn. The barn renovation will help us attract a farmer and we plan to have Community Supported Agriculture [CSA] on site next year.

We were also fortunate to be the recipient of a grant from The Rye Driftwood Garden Club. This grant allowed us to purchase 26 blueberry bushes which were enthusiastically planted on the west field of the Goss Farm by the 6th graders from the Rye Junior High. The gift

from the garden club coupled with the youth planting day represents a multi generational contribution of community effort and spirit. Additionally, we recently received a grant from the Portsmouth Garden Club to replace an old lilac stand that existed on the Goss property with lilacs from the Wentworth Coolidge Mansion. This planting will be part of an Eagle Scout project designed to reestablish historic plantings along the roadside view of the farm. This is another example of community coming together.

Thanks to the Growing Green Initiative funded through the NH Conservation Committee [Moose Plate], another successful growing season is eagerly anticipated at the Goss Farm. For the second year there will be community plots available to town residents along with a Rye Junior High plot. Applications for garden plots are available at the Town Hall. Produce from the gardens was donated locally last year and our goal is to donate even more this year! If anyone is interested in helping to coordinate these donations please contact Tracy Degnan at reedted@comcast.net or the Community Garden Coordinator, Bob Carter at bobcjr56@gmail.com.

Mary Coombs would also appreciate help from those willing to provide summer garden care for the Rye Junior High plot, please contact her at mcoombs@sau50.org

Spring and summer are busy seasons at the farm. The barn swallows have recently migrated back from their winter hiatus and it is worth a trip to the farm to see them gracefully diving over the fields of clover. We welcome new community "farmers" and encourage all to enjoy the beautiful site.

See you at the farm,
Sally King

News from Public Works

The winter is finally over and the Public Works Department is rapidly gearing up for the coming year.

The sweeping of the town's roads, crack-sealing of Wallis and Sagamore Road and repainting of the road's yellow center lines and white fog lines have all been put out to bid and awarded to Immaculate Sweeping, Superior Cracksealing, and HiWay Safety Systems respectively. It is anticipated that all these tasks will have been completed by the time this newsletter issued is distributed.

Contracts for the Town's fuel, heating oil and paving will follow, with bid opening scheduled for the month of June.

Finally, contracts for the removal of an in-ground fuel oil tank at the Town Hall, replacement of the Recycling Building Roof, upgrading the electrical service at the Town Hall, and site evaluation of the Public Works/Transfer Station site will be bid and awarded in July.

The final one inch wearing course of asphalt is scheduled for placement on Washington Road between Fern avenue and Central Road. This work will complete the widening of Washington Road, started by my predecessor, Bud Jordan, from Lafayette Road to Central Road. In addition, South Road from Central Road to Ocean Boulevard will be repaved, completing the repaving of South Road from the North Hampton Line to the Ocean.

Currently, the Public Works staff is concentrating on the preparation of the Town beaches for the summer rush. The "No Parking"

markings are being repainted and beach signs, stairs, walkways, out-houses and storage boxes installed.

This past winter an unusual number of northeast storms raised havoc with the beaches. A substantial amount of debris was washed up, sand washed off the beaches and protective berms eroded. Both the town and State of New Hampshire road staff have been busy reconstructing the berms and cleaning the shore line. Recently, the local lobster fishing industry held their annual shore line clean-up which removed a substantial amount of damaged lobstering gear and other debris from the shore line.

As a final note, homeowners are reminded and requested to maintain hedges and landscaping back from the town's right of way limits and out of the motoring public's sight lines. Local regulations require landscape growth and fencing be maintained below driver sight lines, at corner lots, for a distance of fifty feet from all road intersection.

Dennis McCarthy
Public Works Director

Historic District & the Cable House

Did you know that in 1874 the Cable House, at 20 Old Beach Road, was the focal point for The United States first telegraph cable communications to Europe and was only closed in 1921? Prior to the time of the installation of the cable terminus in Rye, it took weeks to communicate to Europe which was only possible then by ship. On July 15, 1874 the final connection was made to the 2 ½" (inch)

wire cable which was laid from Ballinskelligs Bay, Ireland through Heart's Content, Newfoundland, Tor Bay, Nova Scotia, and finally to Rye, NH, a span of over 3400 miles. William Varrell's book entitled "Rye on the Rocks" details some of the observations of the arrival of the cable with a description of the crowd which congregated on Straw's Point (Lockes Neck) as "a curious assortment of silk busted ladies from the Farragut (old Farragut Hotel) and rubber bootied fishermen from Sandy Beach". He further stated that the Farragut ladies and fishermen all helped to pull the cable to shore—*imagine what a sight that must have been!*

The Rye Cable House was built a year later in 1875 and housed 16 telegraphers from England, Ireland, Scotland, and Wales. It remained the focal point for telegraph traffic between the two continents for over 40 years, only being closed in 1921.



The cable office was kept in 24 hour operation and during the Russo-Japanese peace talks in 1905 it provided for cables to be sent from both the governments of Russia and Japan, day and night. The biggest day for cable traffic was on August 8, 1914 when there were 30,000 words handled. (*Imagine the number of words we use daily today on e-mails alone!!*) The Cable House remained busy during World War One where it handled cable traffic with the British and French on War activities.

(See Historic District Message, page 16)

Historic District Message

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The Cable House was added to the Rye Historic District at the Rye Town Election of 1979.

Just a housekeeping reminder that no signs are allowed to be placed on telephone poles or on town property within the Historic District which includes the front of Parsons Field and the intersection of Wallis and Washington Roads—this obviously includes garage sale signs. Your cooperation is appreciated.

Phil Winslow, Chair
Historic District Commission

Rye Water District News

Annual Meeting

At our annual meeting held at the Rye Junior High School on Saturday, March 31, 2013: John E Murtagh was re-elected as Commissioner for a three-year term; Marian A Mullaly was elected Treasurer for a three-year term; Elizabeth Yeaton was elected Clerk for a three-year term; and K Joshua Scott was elected Moderator for a two-year term. The District was authorized to raise and appropriate: \$ 3,400,000.00 to replace the existing cast iron water main on Route 1A through the issuance of bonds or notes; \$60,000.00 to be placed in the existing Capital Reserve Funds; and \$1,090,031.00 to defray the Water District's charges for the ensuing year.

Route 1A Water Main Replacement Project

The project to replace the water main from Harbor Road north to just south of the Rye Harbor Bridge is expected to begin between May 17-24. The project will entail directional drilling to install approximately 1,300 feet of HDPE piping to replace the existing cast iron piping, and one hydrant

assembly.

Three Water Suppliers in Rye

The Rye Water District supplies water and fire protection to the major portion of the Town of Rye. Aquarion Water Works, a privately owned company in Hampton, supplies the southern portion of the Town, Jenness Beach and Rye Beach Precincts.

The City of Portsmouth supplies water to the northern part of town along Pioneer Road, Sagamore Avenue, Elwyn Road, and Wentworth Road. The portions of Rye served on Wentworth Road, Harbor View Drive, Heather Drive, Elizabeth Lane, along with a section of Frontier Road are supplied by Portsmouth Water but remain within the jurisdiction of the Rye Water District.

Fire Hydrants

If you have a hydrant near your property, we ask you to trim off limbs and cut back shrubs, so they will not hamper operation and maintenance of such. Please remember to not plant shrubbery, erect stone walls, or install mail boxes closer than eight (8) feet from any fire hydrant. This will ease the snow removal process and access for the Fire Department in an emergency.

Outside Meter Reading Equipment

Outdoor renovations, additions, and siding replacement projects sometimes require the outside meter reading pad/radio receptacle to be temporarily removed or relocated. Our meter reading equipment should not be removed or tampered with in any way by others. Please call the RWD's office in advance of construction. Our personnel will be happy to remove or relocate the meter reader receptacle at no cost to the homeowner if a prior request is made.

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Spring Flushing

The semi-annual water main flushing is now completed.

Water Conservation

As the warm weather approaches, we ask for your cooperation regarding outdoor water use. Lawn irrigation, car washing, and any other outdoor watering should be done before 9 am or after 6 pm. The majority of water from lawn sprinklers left running during the heat of mid-day just evaporates into the summer air; therefore, wasting water.

Effective and Efficient Lawn Watering

Here are few good basic guidelines to maintain a green and healthy lawn.

- ♦ Water your lawn in the early morning hours at daybreak or earlier. This will allow time for the soil to absorb the water and feed the roots of your lawn. A more established rooting system is more resistant to the summer heat and lack of rainfall.
- ♦ Never water your lawn in the hot summer sun and on windy days. This will cause evaporation along with magnifying the harmful sun rays that burn up your lawn.
- ♦ When the summer's heat arrives, it's best to set your lawn mower cutting height higher and allow the lawn to grow longer (minimum 3") to shade the roots from the sun.

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

For news and up to date information about the Town, including meeting notices, agendas and minutes.

RYE SAFE ROUTES



Rye Safe Routes to School

Summer, 2013 Newsletter



Thank you to everyone who turned out for our 6th Annual Bike Rodeo, Saturday May 11, 2013. A special thank you to Gus' Bike shop for providing support and service to make sure everyone's bikes were checked and working properly and to Exeter Hospital/Health Reach Community Education for donating helmets.



In addition, we would like to say we appreciate all the support, goodies and services from Rye Elementary School, Philbrick Sports, Exeter Bicycles, Pedro's, Rye Congregational Church and Rye Airfield. The bike rodeo is a great family event for beginners and experienced that can come and get their bikes inspected, registered and participate in our parade around the Church. At the event bicyclists are educated on the rules of the road so that they can participate in our Annual Bike to School/Work Day and prepare for riding season.

May 17th was our third Bike to School event in collaboration with SRTS and other Bike/Pedestrian Project Partners. Breakfasts were held at the Rye Elementary School and the Rye Public Library for all the participants. There was a raffle with prizes from sponsors including but not limited to Gus' bike shop and Philbrick Sports.

The next National Bike to School Day will be held **May 8, 2013**. Be a part of International Walk to School Day on October 2, 2013 and visit Keep Going, <http://www.walkbiketoschool.org/keep-going> for year-round bike-to-school resources and tips.

We hope that everyone has a great summer and ride safely.

Kimberly Reed,
Planning & Zoning Administrator

Join Rye Senior SERVE

Would you like to meet some of your Rye neighbors many of whom have a wealth of knowledge about Rye and its sometimes rather quirky history? Easy! Become a SERVE volunteer!!!

Ride the SERVE van with the lively coffee and shopping group. Drive an individual to a medical or other important appointment. Make a few phone calls to check on the well-being of some residents who live alone. You choose the program you are most comfortable with.

Visit the town of Rye website at www.town.rye.nh.us and link to Senior Services to see the SERVE brochure. Then call Connie Olson at 964-5170 to begin the process of becoming a SERVE volunteer. Invest a few hours of your time and earn the dividend of a more healthy community for all our residents.

Connie Olson
Rye Senior SERVE

TOWN OF RYE SEWER COMMISSION NOTICE

Please note per Sewer Use

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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 on those found to be violating this ordinance.

The Sewer Department Office is located on the second floor of Town Hall and is opened Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. For more information contact the Sewer Department at 964-6815.

Town of Rye Board Meetings

June 2013

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

Selectmen's meetings are held in the Rye Town Hall Courtroom (first floor), 10 Central Road. Other board meetings are also 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 or the Town website: www.town.rye.nh.us for up-to-date information.

2	3 6:00 p.m. Recreation Commission	4	5 9:00 a.m. Rye Water District 60 Sagamore Road 7:00 p.m. Zoning Board of Adjustment	6 6:30 p.m. Heritage Commission	7	8
9	10 6:30 p.m. Board of Selectmen	11 8 am Sewer Comm. 7 pm Planning Board	12	13 7:00 p.m. CIP Committee	14	15
16 Father's Day	17	18 6:30 pm Mosquito Commission	19	20 7:00 p.m. Conservation Commission	21 First Day of Summer	22
23	24 6:30 p.m. Board of Selectmen	25	26	27 7:00 p.m. CIP Committee	28	29

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August 2013

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Library Trustees, first Thursday every month
5:30 pm at the Library

Additional Civic Meetings: Rye Lions Club, First Wednesday every month, 7 pm at the Rye Library
Friends of the Library, second Tuesday every month, 7pm at the Library

DEPARTMENTAL DIRECTORY

Assessing Department.....	964-5523
Building/Planning/Zoning Department.....	964-9800
Building/Planning/Zoning Fax.....	964-2964
Cemetery Superintendent.....(cell)	817-0066
Library.....	964-8401
Library Fax.....	964-7065
Public Works.....	964-5300
Public Works Director/ EMERGENCY ..(cell)	396-0315
Recreation.....	964-6281
Recycling Center (Recycle or Brush).....	964-5300
Selectmen.....	964-5523
Selectmen Fax.....	964-1516
E-Mail: jireland2@town.rye.nh.us	
Town Website: www.town.rye.nh.us	
Sewer Commission.....	964-6815
Town Administrator.....	964-5523
Town Clerk/Tax Collector.....	964-8562
Town Clerk/Tax Collector Fax.....	964-4132
Treasurer.....	964-5523
Welfare, Overseer of Public.....	964-5523

AMBULANCE-FIRE-POLICE EMERGENCY 911

AMBULANCE OR FIRE EMERGENCY..911 OR 964-8683

Fire Department – Non Emergency.....964-6411
Fire Department Fax.....964-9894

POLICE EMERGENCY.....911 OR 964-5521

POLICE (ROUTINE CALLS ONLY).....964-7450
Police Department Fax.....964-7458

Be sure to give your name and address as well as the nature of your emergency clearly. **DO NOT HANG UP** until you are certain that your message has been understood.



Ordinance #21 – Building Numbers

Adopted March 1989

Adopted:

All buildings in the Town to display a street number issued by the Building Inspector and displayed in the following manner:

- Arabic numerals only, a minimum of three (3) inches high and one half inch (1/2) in width.
- The number to be displayed at the side of, or above front door if readily visible from the street, or on a sign or marker at street end of driveway or walk leading to the building.
- If the end of the building faces the street, the number to be displayed on the corner adjacent to the front door and readily visible from the street.
- For buildings set back from the street or obscured in any way, the number to be displayed on a sign or marker at the street end of the driveway or walk leading to the building.

All apartments, cabins, and other dwelling units are to have on site numbering system, said number to be displayed on or near entrance to each unit.

Penalty for failure to display:

First offense: Written warning with thirty (30) days to correct.

Second offense: Violation and may be fined as provided under RSA 31:39 (supplement).

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FARMER'S MARKET

RYE FARMERS' MARKET 2013

Our 2013 market will be every Wednesday, 2:30-5:30, June 19 - September 25 (no market July 3) in Rye Center, beside the Congregational Church. We have some exciting, new vendors as well as popular returning vendors for our 4th annual market. Applecrest Orchards will be with us with their fruits, vegetables, baked goods and cider donuts. More veggies will be available from Zach's farm as well as beautiful sunflower and zinnia bouquets. Lisa Cote will be back selling bedding plants and lots of flowering plants and Seaview Farms will be offering bison and chicken. Some of our new vendors include Justin Hebert's lobster rolls, Joe's NY Pizza and Annette's beer from her Throwback microbrewery. And while we focus on selling fresh, local foods for good nutrition, we also care about the outside of your body. We'll be having LaMouette Botanicals body products, Soothe Designs aromatherapy products and jewelry by Jane Eslinger and Dizzy D Designs. And finally, we have baked goods including granola, biscotti, breads and cookies as well as our own veggies and baked goods from our Rye Group of vendors. Most of our vendors have websites, so you can check them out if you have any questions or contact Susan Anderson at sorazi3@comcast.net

See you at the market!
Rye Farmers' Market Committee

Like You've Never Seen Them Before!



Fire Chief Skip Sullivan
reading to a class at the Rye
Elementary School for Read
Across America Day.

Police Chief Kevin Walsh
participating in the Rye
Recreation Active, Alive
and Over 55 Club, Thrift
Shop Fashion Show.
Photo taken by Kim Reed,
Planning Administrator



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