



Town of Rye Newsletter



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Selectmen's Message:

There is Nothing More Certain than Change

Leon Blaisdell: With the death of Town Treasurer Leon Blaisdell on October 25th, we lost a friend and a long time trusted and dependable Town employee. On behalf of the Town, we send condolences to his family.

Leon's entire career was in service to Rye residents including 34 years with the Rye Fire Department, the last four as Rye's Fire Chief. Since his retirement from the Fire Department in 2004, he continued to maintain our 1931 Model A Ford fire truck which is seen frequently during parades. Leon will be missed in many ways.

A number of years ago, the Board of Selectmen appointed Jane Ireland as Deputy Treasurer and she fulfilled the duties of Treasurer during Leon's illness in September. We have now appointed Jane as Treasurer to complete Leon's term which expires in March of 2015.

Robert Mitchell: In the September Newsletter, we reported presentation of the Rye Boston Post Cane to our oldest resident, Robert Mitchell, who had recently celebrated his 104th birthday on August 2nd. Sadly, Bob died just two months later on October 11th.

While we were delighted to present Bob with the Boston Post Cane, we were disappointed that this could not have been done earlier. Laws relating to privacy, including personal information such as age, make a search difficult even when it is for a good cause. According to the tradition which began in 1909, the Boston Post Cane is to be held by the "oldest living male" in each of the 700 towns that received a cane from Boston Post Publisher Edwin Grozier in that year. In 1930, this condition was changed to oldest living resident. In Rye, the recipient must also have been a resident for 10 years. If you are aware of a candidate for this honor, please contact Janice in the Selectmen's Office at 964-5523.

Amanda Gauthier: On September 8th, we appointed Amanda Gauthier as our ninth full time police officer replacing Officer Scott Sullivan who resigned his position in Rye to take a position with the Rockingham County Sheriff's Department. Chief Walsh credited Amanda with placing among the top 3 candidates on written, oral and physical exams.

Changes at the Transfer Station: Since the last time that we reported staff changes at the Transfer Station, two part time employees, Thomas Leger and Kristopher Adams, have been hired replacing Andrea Morrissey and Bill Brown respectively.

Good News: You may be aware that during 2014, we are retiring three long term bonds: the Library Addition Bond, the original Conservation Bond and the Safety Building Bond as well as two short term bonds for highway equipment: a backhoe lease/purchase and a compactor lease.

At the Selectmen's meeting of October 28th, our Financial Administrator Cyndi Gillespie announced the newly received costs of health care coverage for the upcoming year as follows: Anthem Comp 2500 is up 3.9%, Blue Choice **down 5.6%** and Matthew Thornton **down 6.3%**, Medicare, with or without prescription coverage, **down 9.0%** and Short Term Life Insurance is **down 12%**. There is no change in the cost of Dental, Long Term Disability or Long Term Life Insurance.

Progress on Town Hall Planning: Since the September Newsletter, the Town Hall project has moved forward with diverse input during both regular Town Hall Committee meetings and at special Public Discussion meetings.

In late August, the Recreation Commission approached the Board of Selectmen with a plan to move the Recreation Department temporarily from the Town Hall to the Recreation Area expressing the desire to return to Town Hall once an update there has been completed. This move to a less than ideal setting came about as the result of increasing space needs for recreation programming at the same time that some Recreation Department space at Town Hall was lost to accommodate installation of mechanical equipment for the geothermal system. By the time you receive this newsletter, necessary communication accommodations at the Recreation Area will have been completed allowing the move to take place. Since August, the Town Hall Committee has moved beyond the schematic design phase of the project, which included committee consensus on a rectangular addition accessed from the Town Hall building via a gallery/passageway or directly from either the upper or lower parking lot. A fly around portrayal of the concept may be seen on the Town website or in the

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Holiday Parade

"A Gift from the Heart"

Sunday, December 7, 2014,

1:00 p.m.

Washington Road, Webster at Rye

To Rye Junior High School

For additional information

call the Fire Dept. at 964-6411.

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Town Hall lobby.

Over the last three months, the mechanical, electrical, plumbing, structural and architectural details of the design development phase have been presented, discussed in minute detail and redesigned to accommodate changes when necessary. By November 1st, a relatively short but extremely important list of decisions remained to be agreed upon.

The necessity for structural strengthening and stiffening of the Town Hall building has produced the greatest amount of discussion and controversy during this project. In September, SMP architect Jason LaCombe described the means to reinforce the Town Hall building in order to meet current code. The idea of exterior framing reinforcement was immediately rejected leaving the Town Hall Committee with two options either of which require eight two story vertical steel columns appropriately spaced along the north and south sides of the building (four on each side).

One option calls for insertion of the steel columns within the walls where they would be unseen. The second option, for approximately half the cost, would result in exposed supports particularly along the upper portions of the "Great Hall" where they would be cut into the tin ceiling which the committee seeks to preserve. In addition, side to side and back to front reinforcement will be needed.

Local builder Joe Tucker suggested that it might be better to tear the Town Hall down and replace it with a replica; but this concept is not within the charge to the Town Hall Committee as approved by voters last March. Since then, Joe and other builders have contributed actively to the discussion. The Town Hall Committee is in agreement that the reinforcement measures should be hidden within the structure.

Meanwhile, FB Environmental conducted a survey for hazardous building materials and submitted a

report dated September 30, 2014.

A Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for construction firms wishing to bid on the Town Hall project was developed and sent out. Of the eleven bidders, four firms were selected: Hutter (New Ipswich, NH), Dew Construction (Williston, VT), Meridian (Gilford, NH) and Milestone Construction (Concord, NH).

A Request for Proposals (RFP) has also been developed and sent out for the position of Owner's Representative/Clerk of the Works. Proposals are due November 20th.

As of October 28, 2014, the total Town Hall project budget is \$3,748,448 which includes a significant contingency fund of \$595,158.

In order to present a warrant article on the Town Hall project to voters in March, plans and specifications must be finalized by November 25th and sent to bidders by December 8th with the bids due on January 5, 2015. The final day for the Selectmen to post the warrant is January 26, 2015.

Parsons Creek Watershed Restoration Progress: Parsons Creek is considered impaired by the NH Department of Environmental Services (DES) due to high levels of bacteria. In 2011, malfunctioning septic systems were identified as the highest priority contributor of bacteria to Parsons Creek through a Parsons Creek Watershed Based Management Plan.

In 2012, the Town of Rye applied for and received a grant from NH DES to address bacteria in the Parsons Creek watershed through a Phase I plan which accomplished the following: installation of stormwater Best Management Practices on Wallis, Brackett, Marsh and Geremia Roads; development of a septic system database which includes all Rye septic systems on record with the State and Town; provision of significant public outreach regarding water quality problems in the Parsons Creek Watershed

and what can be done to address them and completion of two years of water quality testing.

In October, Planning Administrator Kim Reed, accompanied by Emily DiFranco of FB Environmental, and Sally Soule from the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services, presented details of the application process for a Phase II Parsons Creek Grant. The Selectmen were in agreement that the Town should move forward with the grant application.

Phase II is primarily a septic evaluation and replacement program. Funding is provided through Clean Water Act Section 319: Nonpoint Source Pollution Implementation Grants. These funds are distributed by EPA through the State to the municipality and do not come out of a town budget.

Assessment of 2014 Beach Activity: With snow in the air on November 2nd, crowded beaches are probably over for this year; but it will be a while before a complete assessment of the summer season can be made. Retiring Fire Chief Skip Sullivan submitted his recommendations to the Board and Police Chief Kevin Walsh has proposed a fireworks ordinance as the result of a number of serious incidents involving fireworks.

The anticipated Tighe & Bond Beach Parking Study has been received by the Town and distributed to the Board of Selectmen. A presentation to the public of the Beach Parking Study information is being finalized. Meanwhile, we are awaiting the beach activity report with recommendations from our five member Beach Committee.

Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Update: The new FEMA maps placed approximately 100 additional homes within the floodplain. Most of these newly added dwellings are between Concord Point and Wallis Sands State Park, along Wallis Sands Beach, which is

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considered to be a dune and thus susceptible to erosion.

FEMA administers the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) which offers reasonably priced flood insurance in communities that comply with minimum standards for floodplain management. The NFIP's Community Rating System (CRS) recognizes communities that go beyond those minimum standards by reducing flood insurance premiums for the community's property owners. CRS discounts on flood insurance range from 5% up to 45%. The CRS assigns credit in the form of points for 18 different activities that fall into 4 series. The greater the number of points accrued by the community, the higher the discount rate.

To participate in the CRS, Rye can choose to undertake some or all of the 18 FEMA public information and floodplain activities. In September, Planning Administrator Kim Reed requested permission to participate in the Community Rating System of the National Flood Insurance Program and the Board of Selectmen approved her request.

Conservation of the Rand Property: The 74 acre Rand parcel is the first Conservation Commission land acquisition proposal to be considered since the new acquisition process developed and approved by the Board of Selectmen earlier this year was put in place. When complete, this process will present an easy way to access the entire public record for each acquisition.

The Conservation Commission has diligently worked its way through the requirements of the process. One of the final requirements is a site walk by the Board of Selectmen, if deemed necessary. The BOS scheduled a site walk of the Rand parcel for October 20th. In addition to the Board, those attending included Conservation Commission members, the owners and interested members of the public. At

this time, only finalization of the Purchase and Sales Agreement remains to be completed.

GIS Mapping Replaces Vision Appraisal: On October 15th, Planning Administrator Kim Reed presented an overview of our new GIS system which replaces the Vision Appraisal System. Now available through the Town website, this system has extensive capabilities which allow the user to view parcel data, print abutter labels and look at map layers on line. The site also includes Rye areas of interest.

Thanks to the Capital Improvement Plan Committee: On October 15th, the 2015-2020 Capital Improvement Plan was presented and accepted by the Board of Selectmen. Our thanks for a job well done go to CIP Chairman Ray Jarvis and his committee: Vice Chair Ned Paul, Clerk Mae Bradshaw, School Representative Jeanne Moynahan and Planning Board Representative Phil Winslow. Thanks also to staff members Financial Administrator/Assist. Town Administrator Cyndi Gillespie, Planning/Zoning Administrator Kim Reed and Department Heads and to the representatives of our boards, committees and commissions who also contributed.

Please be reminded that despite the fact that the annual update of our CIP requires a great deal of time and effort by many individuals, contains a huge amount of information regarding our perceived capital needs and is an important planning tool, it is a snapshot in time subject to reassessment and, in the words of the CIP Committee, "not to be considered authority to fund or proceed with any projects".

Some Things to Think About The Parsonage Apartments: At the Selectmen's meeting of October 27th, Marty Chapman of the Housing Partnership reviewed the history of the Parsonage Apartments at Rye Center.

Since 1999, the Parsonage has provided eight units of subsidized housing in the center of town. Under a 20 year lease, it has been operated by the Housing Partnership through a Community Development Block Grant and a loan of \$250,000. During this time the Housing Partnership has paid the bills with any remaining funds placed in reserve. The Housing Partnership has taken nothing. Now, 15 years later, systems paid for by the original loan are coming to the end of their lives. Mr. Chapman spoke of the need to reshingle the roof in particular.

The Town must soon make some decisions perhaps starting with a Capital Needs Assessment. It was agreed that an initial discussion will take place between Marty Chapman and Town Administrator Mike Magrant.

SMART: Our Rye Recycling Education Committee (RREC) has proposed a pay as you throw program to be known as SMART, an acronym for Save Money and Reduce Trash. On October 28th, the committee asked the selectmen to support a SMART warrant article. Following discussion and without consensus among Board members, it was suggested that the RREC might consider bringing this concept to the voters as a petition warrant article.

Fireworks Ordinance: Police Chief Kevin Walsh has described a number of serious situations that occurred this past summer that involved the unsafe use of fireworks. As a result, he has proposed a Fireworks Ordinance.

Also revealed during the discussion was the fact that within the stores that sell fireworks as well as on line, Rye is prominently listed as a Town that does not have a Fireworks Ordinance.

Dr. Michael Mittelman: In August, as part of the dedication of the new Capt. John Smith Monument

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at Ragged Neck, Rye Harbor State Park, Dr. Michael Mittelman was presented with the 2014 Rye Heritage Commission's Louise Tallman Award for his efforts to place the Town Hall on the National Register of Historic Places, his continued work on the Historical Society's Old Graveyard Project and his initiation of a flag design contest to create an official Town of Rye flag.

When he died on September 29th, his final wish for the Town had come to fruition. The winning flag design had been selected and adapted to incorporate the newly corrected and updated Town seal, a sample flag had been produced, and he was able to hold and observe the result in the knowledge that it had been approved by the Board of Selectmen as the official flag of the Town of Rye. The results of his efforts will live on and we are grateful for his tenacity and perseverance.

We wish you and yours a joyous holiday season.

Board of Selectmen

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

News From The Town Clerk/Tax Collector

As I write this article, the tax rate has not yet been set. The tax bills will go out as soon as we get the new tax rate and I have a signed warrant from the selectmen. No matter how late the bills go out, be assured you will have 30 days from the date of the mailing to get your tax bills paid.

The filing period for anyone wishing to run for a town office will be January 21st through January 30, 2015. You must be a registered voter in order to run for office. Forms will be available in our office and will

include the list of available offices.

You can begin licensing your dogs in January, 2015. All dogs must be licensed by April 30th. A current rabies certificate will be needed. Beach parking permits will be available soon after the beginning of the year. A registration will be required for each vehicle you want to put a beach parking permit on. The fee will again be \$20 per vehicle. In order to obtain a parking permit, you must be a Rye resident or property owner.

The State of NH sends out renewal notices for boats in December. Owners can begin renewing their boats in January. Remember that we can process your boat renewals right here in our office. Most of the money generated from boat registrations transacted in this office stays in Rye to help offset your property taxes.

A reminder: Only one check, made payable to Town of Rye, is necessary when registering vehicles or boats. If we receive both a town check and a state check, it will be impossible for us to process your registration and it will be returned to you. Remember, a driver's license must be presented by anyone registering a vehicle. It doesn't matter if the vehicle belongs to someone else; the person actually doing the registration will have to show his/her id. This is a state regulation that we must follow.

A few reminders: You can pay over the internet for motor vehicle and boat registrations, dog licenses, beach parking permits, as well as, property tax and sewer bills (www.town.rye.nh.us). If you choose to complete the above services by mail, please include a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

Thank you.

Best Wishes for the Holiday Season.

Elizabeth M. Yeaton
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

Thank You From Rye Senior SERVE

Rye Senior SERVE thanks the generous residents who responded to our initial request for contributions to the van replacement fund. We are off to a most encouraging start. This is an ongoing fund drive and donations may be made to: **Rye Senior SERVE Attn: Mel Low, Treasurer, P.O. Box 902, Rye, NH 03870.**

In the spirit of year end gratitude, the SERVE Board of Directors recognizes and thanks our wonderful volunteers.

Daily Wellness Callers coordinated by Tricia Quinn: Jane Ayotte; Claudia Hackett; Shirley Harper; Connie Olson and Evelyn Shea. NOTE: A seventh caller is needed to replace a volunteer who has moved to another state.

SERVE Van (drivers and "co-pilots") coordinated by Jack Reid: Joyce Bowden; Alan Gould; Ralph Hickson; Jane Holway; Ted Kelly; Mike Magnant; Gwen Putnam-Bailey.

Personal Drivers (to medical and other important appointments) coordinated by Claudia Hackett: Trudy Brady; Paula Cronin; Lucy Heguy; Marian Mullaly; Connie Olson; Dave Winn and our newest volunteers, Dick Gately and Keith Evland.

We were also lucky enough to have some young Rye residents help during school vacation with daily calling and the weekly grocery shopping trip on the van. Katie Cole and Betsy Cole made daily calls; Rosie Allen, Amelia Griffiths and Tommy Griffiths assisted on the van. We thank them for their help.

Rye derives great benefit from the community spirit of the volunteers listed above. If you as a Rye resident would like to join these volunteers in helping your neighbors or if you feel you might benefit from the programs SERVE offers, please call Connie Olson at 964-5170 for further information.

Connie Olson
Rye Senior SERVE

Historic District Mourns Loss

Dr. Michael A. Mittelman, a long time member of the Historic District Commission died peacefully at his Rye Harbor home on September 29, 2014. Dr Mittelman was an active member of this commission who could always be called on to provide thoughtful input on all applications that were brought before us.

On any morning, rain or shine, you could have found Michael walking his dog, Amber, along Harbor Road. He would love to talk to you about what was going on at the Rye Historical Society, the Historic District Commission or the town issues in general. He was a true "Cheerleader" for the Town of Rye.

Michael was born on March 24, 1939, in Montreal, Quebec, Canada. Prior to moving to Rye full time he established successful dermatology practices in both Hamilton, Ontario and Manchester, NH. Prior to that he served as a pilot in the Royal Canadian Air Force. He loved golf, trumpet, skiing, boating, chess, baseball and hockey. In addition, he was passionate about community service serving in a variety of volunteer positions and leadership roles. Most recently he championed the creation of the Rye, NH town flag and was awarded the Louise Tallman Award from the Town of Rye. He loved to travel, debate politics and make people laugh. But what he loved most of all was being a husband, father, and grandfather. He is survived by his wife of 47 years Geraldine as well as two sons, two daughters and eight grandchildren.

Several years ago Michael approached me, as a relatively new resident of Rye, to get involved in town activities. After Michael's prolonged urging (maybe better described as badgering) I finally acquiesced and applied for an open position as an alternate on the Historic District Commission. On behalf of Michael I urge you

to also get involved — we have alternate positions on the Historic District Commission or check the town web site for a list of other boards or commissions who are looking for new members.



Look for the granite seat at the John Smith memorial at the Rye Harbor State Park that Michael and Geraldine have donated to the town and sit down and enjoy the beautiful views of Rye Harbor that Michael so loved.

Rye has sadly lost a true champion!!!

Phil Winslow, Chairman
Rye Historic District Commission

Rye Historical Society News

Town Museum Holiday Open House Thursday, December 19th from 2:00-6:00 p.m.

Do some last minute shopping at our gift shop (see website for items), enjoy refreshments and our new Rye history exhibit and experience the thrill of a working H and O train in action which replicates the early trains that began bringing visitors to Rye in the 1840's.

Fate of South School House Renews Effort to Preserve Rye's Historic Buildings: The fate of the historic 1881 South School House on Central Road has renewed efforts of

the Rye Historical Society (RHS) to document our historic built environment. RHS has compiled the beginning of an old building documentation project with photos of most of the structures and some information, but much more building research needs to be done, including digitizing the completed project. If you are interested in assisting with this needed project, please write: info@ryenhistoricalociety.org. Once completed, this information will go a long way to educating current and prospective property owners in Rye of the historic value of Rye buildings. The Rye Heritage Commission will also be assisting with this project.

It has been well documented by Portsmouth historian Dennis Robinson, among others, that the preservation of such historic buildings adds value on many levels to a community. Some people take for granted the beauty of the town and don't realize that with every demo of a significant building we lose part of that beauty and part of our heritage and, in purely economic terms, we experience a loss of property values.

Unless communities protect their old structures through zoning, etc., the only recourse they have is through state and national registry, historic districts, the bully pulpit, public hearings and other means of public education such as the RHS old building project.

Now is the time to act. If you are interested in helping, please contact us at the e-mail address above.

New Rye History Feature on RHS Web Site: When you go to our website (www.ryenhistoricalociety.org) you will see a new tab entitled: "Rye History: 400 Years." Here you will find several primary and secondary documents which will give you a substantial feel for the town's past. More will be added soon and suggestions are welcome. This addition was prompted by an RHS effort to give

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Rye students an on line connection to their history, but the material will be of interest to all.

RHS Thanks Local Businesses that Support the Museum: Each Year Green Penguin Landscaping mows the museum lawn and Rye Ridge Greenery maintains the lovely plantings in front of the museum. These services are done as a contribution. We are grateful to both of these Rye businesses for their generous support!

RHS Seeking Volunteers and Members: It has been a good year at the museum, but we know there are many residents who have not seen it. Once you do you may be interested in supporting it through membership (\$10 a year) and/or volunteering for a task that meets your interests and skills. See our website for details.

Remembering Mike Mittelman: We were saddened to hear of the passing of Mike Mittelman who was a long time RHS Board member. We first met Mike ten years ago when he tried, unsuccessfully, to get the town to spend a small amount to get the Town Hall on the National Registry of Historic Places. This status would have opened up grant possibilities, but not restricted the town in any way as to what it did with the building.

Through photography Mike documented all the old burying grounds in town (60+), spearheaded museum signage, was active in setting up RHS programs at the library and created the Rye Town Flag project which will soon be a reality. He will be greatly missed.

Town Museum Open On Request: The regular hours at the museum are Saturdays 10:00a.m.-1:00p.m. from May through October and most Wednesdays 2-4p.m. year round. More important is the fact that the museum opens at most anytime, on request. Just call the museum at: 9 9 7 - 7 6 4 2 o r e - m a i l : info@ryenhistoricalociety.org.

Alex Herlihy
Rye Historical Society

Planning Board News

Over the past several months the Planning Board has been presented with a number of conceptual plans and/or subdivisions. While the board has the ability to hear the applications and act fairly on them it is alarming to some that Rye is moving much too rapidly towards a more urban model. A little know fact is that Rye has a building density ordinance that limits the number of building permits that can be issued in a given year. We rarely approach the upper limit and will not this year. Briefly, I will explain the make-up of the board and the procedures that govern our actions.

The Board is made up of elected volunteers from the town. We come from a variety of backgrounds and levels of experience. The board has the gravitas required to expertly represent our home, the Town of Rye. Additionally, we are aided and advised by town counsel, a professional town planner, and a town engineer. The decisions made by the Board are subject to numerous regulations and RSAs, by which we are governed. We conduct ourselves in an open and transparent way. Anyone can access all business that has been conducted via the archived on-line streaming or meeting minutes, found on the Rye website. It is the law and we follow it absolutely. The three documents by which we are guided are; the land use regulations, zoning ordinance and master plan. The zoning ordinance is amended yearly and amendments are voted on each year by town residents. The land development regulations and master plan although updated are not done yearly. When they are updated, legal notices of the public hearings are published and the public is welcome to attend and comment at the public hearings where these two documents are vetted before being adopted.

The Board hears applications

on major subdivision, minor subdivisions and lot line adjustments. The Board primarily deals with those types of applications as well as any changes in the Commercial Zone. The Board does not get involved in residential development unless it is part of the above mentioned subdivisions. In the majority of cases the land in question has been owned and presented for sale by a Rye resident. Whether it is a function of the economy improving and the land values going up, the age of the seller or other factors I cannot say. Nevertheless I expect this trend to continue for the foreseeable future. It is their right and they can freely exercise it. We have no say as to whom it is sold and for what purpose. The assumption is that the buyer has a plan for the property. If that purpose is for development then they must go through a lengthy process before an application can even be presented to the Planning Board for review.

The first step is to go before the Technical Review Committee. It is made up of members of the Planning Board and is there to insure the completeness of the application. From there it goes to the entire Planning Board for its hearing. Following the discussions, if there is a negative vote on the application, we, the board, must defend our decision, stating the specific reason(s) for denial. We cannot reject an application "just because". The developer has the right to disagree with our decisions, and to seek relief first from the Zoning Board of Adjustments. If the ZBA agrees with and upholds the Planning Boards' decision, then the developer can take it to Superior Court. If they are successful there, they will then come back with their plan which they will execute regardless of what the town wants. Bottom line is that we want development to be in accordance with the regulations and ordinances which our residents have approved as being best for our community, not what may be granted by the Court.

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The Board spends literally hours making sure that the town is protected to the fullest extent possible while observing the rights of the land owner. No application has been approved without a thorough vetting process and numerous conditions attached to it. To the best of our abilities, our priority is to protect the wetlands, wells and all other assets of the Town of Rye.

Bill Epperson, Chairman
Rye Planning Board

Mosquito Control Update

The expression "spraying for mosquitoes" is misunderstood by most people not associated with mosquito control. It is more accurate to specify the treatment procedure as larvaciding, the control of mosquitoes prior to adulthood, or adulticiding which focuses on treating mosquitoes after they hatch. The best known form of adulticiding is street spraying with a non-residual pesticide done in the evening from a truck with a cold fogging machine in the back. This type of treatment kills the insects it contacts then disperses in less than an hour. The other type of adulticiding is done with a residual pesticide that is sprayed onto lawns and green growth in the areas to be controlled. The pesticide bi-fenthrin when applied at the rate of 30 ounces per acre will give good control for 3 to 4 weeks.

The Town of Rye customarily requests our mosquito control contractor to do adulticiding treatments for the schools, playgrounds and recreation area prior to the start of school. This is a proactive preventative treatment done to control mosquitoes during the time of year the threat of EEE and WNV infections are at a peak. These same treatments also help to control ticks (Lyme Disease).

This year there was one reported incident of high mosquito activity and that was in the Parsons Road area. All reports such as these are followed up on by the mosquito control contractor. In this case the contractor could not find a breeding site that would account for the abnormally high activity. There are mosquito survey sites nearby and they did not have unusually high activity. Rye residents should report all mosquito complaints to the town office. That applies to residents that think they may have a breeding site on their property. If it is active and they give permission the site will be treated.

Phil Auger from the Seacoast Land Trust contacted the Rye Mosquito Control Commission concerning future activities by the RMCC whereby the mosquito control contractors venture out in the marshes to install greenhead traps and do mosquito control treatments. The RMCC will now communicate with the Seacoast Land Trust and the Rye Conservation Committee prior to any activities on lands under their supervision and control. The RMCC is very interested and supportive of plans to initiate marsh management programs that enhance the health and bio-diversity of these sensitive ecosystems.

Tom Aspinwall, Chairman
Rye Mosquito Control Commission

Notes from the Police Chief

Winter Parking: Winter is here and soon the snow will arrive. Residents and visitors are asked to please park in their driveways during the night and during snow removal to assist the Rye Highway Department with snow removal. The parking ban is from November 1st to April 15th.

Snow Plowing: If your driveway is plowed by a private contractor, please remind the contractor not to

push snow across the road from your driveway.

Deer Crossing: During this time of year, deer are on the move. We have several herds in town and they cross the roads frequently. Please use caution when traveling around town.

Holidays: Please lock your vehicles. People purchase gifts, put them in the car then go to another store. Please secure your vehicle and put any purchases out of sight. Gift cards are also targeted by thieves; please put the cards out of sight even when you are at home. Keep your receipts for gift cards. If a card is lost or stolen, the receipt can help track the card. Do not give out your social security number, including when using the computer to make purchases. Never give out personal information.

Vacation: If you are planning to go away, even for just a few days, please make sure your home is locked. If you have a security system, use it; let your neighbors know you are going to be away. Always make sure the driveway and walk ways are maintained. Whenever possible, ask someone to check the house and please let the Rye Police know you are away.

The Police Department has hired Amanda Gauthier to replace Scott Sullivan. Amanda was born in Brattleboro, VT; she and her younger sister grew up in Chesterfield, NH. Amanda is a graduate of Keene High School, began her college education at Keene State College and finished at the University of Phoenix, graduating with a bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice. Amanda is married with two children. Amanda's friends and family all say she is a hard worker and dependable. She is cheerful, has a friendly attitude and the ability to work independently. We feel she will be a good addition to our Department and Town.

Rye residents have been reporting phone calls from the IRS stating they owe money. The person then instructs the victim to purchase a



WINTER PROGRAMS

Physical Address: 55 Recreation Road, Rye, NH 03870 Tel. 964-6281, Fax 964-1516

Mailing Address: 10 Central Road Rye, NH 03870

E-mail larthur@town.rye.nh.us, Town Website www.town.rye.nh.us/

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SIGN-UP NIGHT

Wednesday, December 10, 2014, 6:00-7:00 p.m.
Rye Recreation Modular, 55 Recreation Road, Rye
Rye and New Castle Residents Only

Programs are limited to a first-come, first-served basis. Registrations will not be accepted prior to sign-up night commencing at 6:00 p.m., except for Active, Alive and Over 55 Club Programs, Basketball and Ski and Snowboard Lessons.

Please be notified that the Rye Recreation Office has been relocated to the Recreation Area, 55 Recreation Road, Rye, NH. Our mailing address, telephone, fax and e-mails are the same.



ACTIVE, ALIVE AND OVER 55 CLUB meets September - May on the second Thursday of each month. Lunch Programs are held at Rye Congregational Church with lunch at 12:00 p.m. followed by entertainment at 1:00 p.m. Members have the opportunity to participate in other programming, including day trips, fitness classes, a sticks and stitches group and a walking group. Additional fees may apply. The annual dues are \$15. Reservations for lunch are required and the cost is \$11 for a complete lunch or \$3 for a beverage and dessert only. Non-residents are welcome to join. For a registration form and/or more information, contact Rye Recreation at (603) 964-6281 or e-mail larthur@town.rye.nh.us



BEFORE PEYTON PLACE: IN SEARCH OF THE REAL GRACE METALIOUS Grace DeRepentigny Metalious believed that in rejecting her own ethnic and religious heritage, she would come closer to inheriting the "American Dream." Her Quebecois ancestry and her formative years in Manchester reveal aspects of the author that the public rarely knew. Robert Perreault focuses on Metalious's most autobiographical and ethnically-oriented novel, *No Adam in Eden*. This program is sponsored by the NH Humanities Council and open to the public. Held Thursday, January 8, 2015. Lunch is baked haddock, rice pilaf, garden salad w/choice of dressings, and strawberry shortcake and the reservation deadline is Friday, January 2, 2015. *Active, Alive and Over 55 Club Membership required.*



SEACOAST MEN OF HARMONY Just in time for Valentine's Day is Seacoast Men of Harmony. This barbershop chorus will bring four part a cappella harmony to Rye. Members of this Dover, NH based group are from the seacoast of New Hampshire, Maine, and Massachusetts. Come and join in the fun and experience this lively performance. Held Thursday, February 12, 2015. Lunch is shepherd's pie, spinach salad, roll, and blueberry pie a la mode and the reservation deadline is Thursday, February 5, 2015. *Active, Alive and Over 55 Club Membership required.*



SENTINELS OF THE COAST: LIGHTHOUSES OF MAINE Join Dreams Unlimited's Michael Perry for a beautiful slide show journey down the Maine Coast from the Isles of Shoals to the candy striped lighthouse at West Quoddy Head. Maine features 64 lighthouses. We won't visit all of them, but we will visit many! Colorful pictures of the lights and surrounding landscapes, fun stories and historical anecdotes, smiles and laughter for all! Held Thursday, March 12, 2015. Lunch is baked stuffed chicken, mashed potatoes, Greek salad, ice cream and a cookie and the reservation deadline is Thursday, March 5, 2015. *Active, Alive and Over 55 Club Membership required.*



TONY KENNY'S IRISH CELEBRATION Just in time for St. Patrick's Day is Tony Kenny, one of Ireland's most beloved artists. He is the star of Jury's Irish Cabaret and will be accompanied by Richie Hayes, singer and comedian, Bernadette Ruddy, singer, the Dublin City Dancers, and the Dublin Trinity Band. Travel with us to Venus De Milo in Swansea, MA. Held Tuesday, March 10, 2015. The meal choice is corned beef and cabbage or baked haddock, minestrone soup, vegetables, breads, dessert, coffee/tea and the reservation deadline is February 17, 2015. The departure time and location are to be determined. Fee: \$82 (Includes transportation, driver tip, admission and lunch) *Active, Alive and Over 55 Club Membership required.*



NEIL SEDAKA This American singer-songwriter is known for writing hits like "Love Will Keep Us Together" and "Laughter in the Rain". Don't miss this chance to see this living legend live in concert at Mohegan Sun Casino. There will be plenty of time before the performance for lunch and gaming. This is a ticketed event and limited space is available. Held Tuesday, April 21, 2015. No refunds after March 10, 2015. The reservation deadline is February 24, 2015. The departure time and location are to be determined. Fee: \$82 (Includes transportation, driver tip, admission and free slot play or free bet and meal voucher good at any Mohegan Sun eating facility.) *Active, Alive and Over 55 Club Membership required.*



OVER 55 CARDIO & TONING FITNESS is instructed by Alexis Mason. Simple moves and combinations for cardio are paired with light-weight strength training for a full-body workout. Classes are held on Monday and Wednesday. Participants must sign-up for both days, although attendance is not required. Held at Rye Congregational Church, 580 Washington Road, Rye. Dates: December 3, 8, 10, 15, 17, 2014, January 12, 14, 21, 26, 28, February 2, 4, 9, 11, 18, 23, 25, March 2, 4, 9, 11, 16, 18, 23, 25, 30, April 1, 6, 8, 13, 15, 20, 22, 27, 29, May 4, 6, 11, 13, 18, 20, 27, June 1, 3, 8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24, 29, 2015, July 1, 6, 8, 13, 2015, 10:00-11:00 a.m. Fee: \$55 (Prorated to start date) *Active, Alive and Over 55 Club Membership required.*



OVER 55 STRETCH & FLEX FITNESS is instructed by Vivian Lefebvre. Improve your flexibility and muscle tone with chair-based exercises. This is a simple and easy to follow, low-stress workout. Held at Rye Congregational Church, 580 Washington Road, Rye. Dates: Thursdays, December 4, 11, 18, 2014, January 15, 22, 29, February 5, 12, 19, 26, March 5, 12, 19, 26, April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, May 7, 14, 21, 28, June 4, 11, 18, 25, 2015, 9:00-10:00 a.m. Fee: \$27 (Prorated to start date) *Active, Alive and Over 55 Club Membership required.*



OVER 55 STICKS & STITCHES GROUP meets once a month on a Thursday. If you crochet, knit, sew, quilt and/or needlepoint, enjoy the company of others while you complete your own project. Held at Rye Congregational Church, 580 Washington Road, Rye. Dates: Thursdays, December 18, 2014, January 15, February 19, March 19, April 16, May 21, June 18, July 16, 2015, 1:30-3:00 p.m. Fee: No charge *Active, Alive and Over 55 Club Membership required.*

**ADULT, CHILD & INFANT CPR/ ADULT & CHILD**

AED teaches you how to respond to breathing and cardiac emergencies. Participants earn American Heart Association Certification. Instruction is provided by Chuck Gallant, Rye Firefighter and held at the Rye Safety Complex. For ages 11 and up. Held Saturday, January 17, 2015, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Fee: \$40

**FIRST AID** teaches rescuers to effectively recognize and treat emergencies in the critical first minutes until emergency medical services personnel arrive. Participants earn American Heart Association Certification. Instruction is

provided by Chuck Gallant, Rye Firefighter and held at the Rye Safety Complex. For ages 11 and up. Held Saturday, February 21, 2015, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. Fee: \$40

ADULT YOGA AND MEDITATION is instructed by Jeanie Ryan. Build inner and outer strength while relaxing and centering the mind. Breathe. Learn the ancient practice of yoga and meditation to harmonize the mind, body and spirit. This is a multi-level class and mats are provided. Held at the Recreation House, 55 Recreation Road, Rye. Session 1, Tuesdays, January 13, 20, 27, February 3, 10, 17, 2015, 9:00-10:30 a.m. Session 2, Tuesdays, March 3, 10, 17, 24, 31, April 7, 2015, 9:00-10:30 a.m. Fee: \$99 per session (6 classes)



GYROKINESIS® is instructed by Kathryn Londoff. It is a total-body conditioning and balancing system for all ages and abilities. The class begins with participants on stools, learning how to create internal opposition in order to decompress the spine, followed by spinal motions in all possible planes. The limbs are then incorporated, the work progressing to the floor. Breath work is synchronized with the movements leading to greater energy, circulation, stamina, flexibility and strength. Held at the Recreation House, 55 Recreation Road, Rye. **Introductory classes will be offered on Wednesday, January 7 and 14, 2015 at no charge.**



Session 1, Wednesdays, January 21, 28, February 4, 11, 18, 2015, 9:30-10:30 a.m. Session 2, Wednesdays, March 4, 11, 18, 25, April 1, 2015, 9:30-10:30 a.m. Fee: \$55 per session (5 classes)

GROUP TENNIS LESSONS are co-ed and will be held indoors at the New Castle Recreation Facility. Instruction is provided by Mark Moulton, USPTA Professional. Participants will need to bring a racket and drink.



Session 1, Wednesdays, January 14, 21, 28, February 4, 11, 2015 4yrs-K, 3:00-4:00 p.m.; Grades 1-3, 4:00-5:00 p.m.; Grades 4-6, 5:00-6:00 p.m.; Grades 7-12, 6:00-7:00 p.m.; Adult, 7:00-8:00 p.m. Session 2, Wednesdays, February 18, March 4, 11, 18, 25, 2015 4yrs-K, 3:00-4:00 p.m.; Grades 1-3, 4:00-5:00 p.m.; Grades 4-6, 5:00-6:00 p.m.; Grades 7-12, 6:00-7:00 p.m.; Adult, 7:00-8:00 p.m. Fee: \$62.50 per session (5 lessons)

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 \$15.50/day with a minimum of two days required. There is a 10% discount for each additional child in the same family. Limited space available.



DELIBERATIVE SESSION CHILD CARE is for children 4 years old and up. Participants will take part in games, arts and crafts, and a movie. Held in the Rye Junior High cafeteria the length of the Rye Deliberative Session on Saturday, January 31, 2015, with drop off beginning at 8:30 a.m. Parents must sign their child in and remain in the building at all times. Fee: No charge!

**SKI or SNOWBOARD LESSONS** will be provided by

the McIntyre Ski School, Manchester. Ski lessons and snowboarding lessons are for grades 2-8. Bus transportation will leave from both RES and RJH, after dismissal on Fridays, January 9, 16, 23, 30, February 6, 2015. The bus will return at approximately 7:30 p.m. The cost is \$250 and includes lessons and transportation. Ski and snowboard rentals are available for an additional fee of \$60 and helmets for \$15. Helmets are required. *This program was advertised previously and the registration deadline was Tuesday, November 25, 2014. However, if space is available, more registrations may be accepted. Please contact the Recreation Department immediately, if you are interested in this program.*

**RECREATIONAL BASKETBALL LEAGUE** is co-ed and open to grades K-5. Held December 6, 2014 to

February 14, 2015. Grade K meet once a week to practice and play as a group and grades 1-5 meet twice a week, once for practice and Saturday for games. Held at Rye Elementary School. This program was advertised previously and the registration deadline was October 31, 2014. Space is not limited; however, the late fee must be paid. You can register today. Fee including late charge: \$60 for 1st registrant, \$25 for each additional registrant from the same family (includes uniform shirt).

**GIRLS BASKETBALL PRACTICE & SCRIMMAGE**

GROUP is open to girls grades 1-5. Held December 6, 2014 to February 14, 2015. Meet once a week on Saturday to practice and play as a group. Held at Rye Elementary School. Space is not limited; however, the late fee must be paid. You can register today. Fee including late charge: \$60 for 1st registrant, \$25 for each additional registrant from the same family (includes uniform shirt).

OPEN COURT BASKETBALL is co-ed and open to grades K-12. Held at Rye Elementary School. Saturdays, December 6, 13, 20, 2014, January 10, 17, 24, 31, February 7, 14, 2015 following the Recreational Basketball League (time to be determined). No charge; however, participants are required to register with the Rye Recreation Department in advance.



HOLIDAY RECESS BASKETBALL is co-ed and open to grades K-12. Held at Rye Elementary School. Monday, December 29; Tuesday, December 30; and Wednesday, December 31, 2014, 9:30-11:00 a.m.. No charge; however, participants are required to register with the Rye Recreation Department in advance.



ADULT PICK-UP BASKETBALL Sundays, December 7, 14, 21, 2014, January 11, 18, 25, February 1, 8, 15, 22, March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 2015. Held at Rye Junior High and based on availability. Over 40 years, 9:00-10:00 a.m.; 18-40 years, 10:00-11:00 a.m. No charge.



TO REGISTER FOR PROGRAMS: Complete a Rye Recreation General or Active, Alive and Over 55 Club Registration Form indicating specific program(s). If paying by check, make it payable to Rye Recreation. Mail registration form and payment to Rye Recreation, 10 Central Road, Rye, NH 03870 or register at the Rye Recreation Office, 55 Recreation, Road, Rye, NH, 03870. Sign-up Night is Wednesday, December 10, 2014 and registration is limited to a first-come, first-served basis and will not be accepted prior to the sign-up night commencing at 6:00 p.m., except for Active, Alive and Over 55 Club Programs, Basketball and Ski and Snowboard Lessons. Registration forms are available on the Rye Recreation Bulletin Board outside Rye Town Hall, on the Rye Town Website www.town.rye.nh.us/ or at Rye Recreation M-F, 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Programs are non-refundable and offered to all Rye and New Castle residents. All non-residents should contact Rye Recreation for eligibility. For more information, contact Rye Recreation at 964-6281.

Winter's coming at Rye Public Library!

As the temperatures drop and the days get shorter, remember you can borrow all the books, movies and more you'll need to weather the coming season right here at your public library! When you need to get out and about, you can shake the winter blues with our live programming series. If the weather keeps you in, there's plenty to keep you entertained right on our website at www.ryepubliclibrary.org.

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)**.

12/16 <i>The Reason I Jump</i> by Naoki Higashida	2/17 <i>The House Girl</i> by Tara Conklin
1/20 <i>Curse of the Narrows</i> by Laura MacDonald	3/17 <i>Fools of Fortune</i> by William Trevor

Wednesday Matinee Film Series

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

12/3 <i>What If?</i> 98 min PG-13	1/21 <i>The Hundred Foot Journey</i> 122 min PG
12/10 <i>Nicholas Nickleby</i> 132 min PG	1/28 <i>Million Dollar Arm</i> 124 min PG-13
12/17 <i>A Most Wanted Man</i> 122 min R	2/4 <i>Wild</i> 115 min R
12/31 <i>Last Holiday</i> 122 min PG-13	2/11 <i>Soul Surfer</i> 106 min PG
1/7 <i>This Is Where I Leave You</i> 103 min R	2/18 <i>My Afternoons w/Margueritte</i> 82 min
1/14 <i>The Princess Bride</i> 98 min PG	2/25 <i>The Judge</i> 141 min R

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

Drawing Together Sketchbook Group:

Every Tuesday beginning at 9:30 am.

Learn at your own pace, with plenty of encouragement in a pressure-free environment.

Knitting with Mary:

By the Fireplace at 10 am on Thursdays! All skill levels are invited to join this welcoming group.

Mah Jongg Club: Every Tuesday and Thursday at 12:30pm in the Community Meeting Room. Learn and play American style Mah Jongg with this enthusiastic group

Seacoast Skewer Chess Club: 2nd and 4th Wednesdays 6:00 pm in the CMR. All ages/skills

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.

Generations Genealogy Club:

First Tuesdays at 1:00 pm in the New Hampshire Room.

Learn about the process, find resources at RPL! 12/2, 1/6, 2/3

Military Book Discussions:

First Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm.

12/4, 1/8, 2/5

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 NH , Dover

Currier Museum of Art, Manchester

Historic New England

Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, Boston

Portland Museum of Art, Portland

Museum of Fine Arts, Boston

New England Aquarium, Boston

Museum of Science, Boston

Strawberry Banke, Portsmouth

Ogunquit Museum of Art

Peabody Essex Museum, Salem, MA

Seacoast Science Center, Rye

NH State Parks parking pass

Museum Passes Sponsored 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!

January 2015 Programming sponsored by the Friends of the Rye Public Library

Computers in Education with Dr. Robert Seidman, SNHU

Sunday January 11, 2-3PM

Effects of Social Media on Health and Well Being with Dr. Peter Frost, SNHU

Sunday January 25, 2-3PM

Consult the RPL website www.ryepubliclibrary.org for other forthcoming Friends programming

All programs are free and open to the public!

COMPUTER TUTOR SESSIONS AND CLASSES @ Your Library with our Technology Librarian Lisa Breton-Eaton! Use our computers or bring your own.

WEEKLY COMPUTER TUTOR AND DEVICE ADVICE- Here is an opportunity to bring in your specific computer or device-related questions including how to borrow downloadable content for your e-reader or tablet through RPL, or other help with your Windows, Mac, Android or iOS device. *Call to make an appointment for a 25 min. session on Monday or Friday mornings or Thursday evenings.*

2015 Winter TECH TALK COMPUTER CLASSES

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

12/10 Browser Cookies, Spyware and Privacy

1/21 Which Web Browser Is Best For Me?

12/17 iPad/iPhone Users Group Roundtable

2/11 Managing My RPL Account Online

1/7 Android Users Group Roundtable

2/25 How To Be A Home Reference Librarian

Rye Public Library Youth Department Winter Programming December 2014 – February 2015

Call the library for more details or check ryepubliclibrary.org

Youth Programs:

Story Time (ages 2+)

Wednesdays Dec -- Feb 11:00 – 11:30am

Mother Goose Story Time (birth through age 2)

Fridays 10:00 – 10:30am

Y-LA Teen Advisory Board

3rd Tuesday evenings Dec – Feb 6:30pm

Book Bites: Chat & Snack Book Club 2-4th grade

3rd Thursdays each month Dec – Feb 3:15pm

YAttitudes Teen Book Discussion Group

2nd Tuesday evenings Dec – Feb 7:00pm

Friday Movies 3:10pm / 2nd & 4th Fridays

Check Website for featured films and schedule

“Craftafternoons” Crafts for elementary-aged kids

4th Tuesdays Dec – Feb 3:00pm

Bead Club (Ages 8+)

2nd Thursdays Dec – Feb 3:00 – 5:00pm

Teen “Lazy Day”

December 29th Times TBD

Local Young Author Book Signing

December 2nd 6:30 – 7:30pm

Early Release Day Programs/Movies

Wednesdays: Dec 10th/ Jan 14th/ Feb 11th

Please view our website at ryepubliclibrary.org, or call us @ 964-8401 for an expanded list of programming and events, and to check dates and times.

Police Chief's

Message *(continued from page 7)*

Green DOT card, put money on the card and mail the card to them. This is a scam. Call your local police or the IRS to confirm any requests.

I am proposing a Town Ordinance to ban fireworks, however, there will be a clause allowing a business to apply for a permit to do a fireworks display. The Police Department receives fireworks noise complaints throughout the year. The Police and Fire Departments have responded to injuries caused by fireworks. Whether you agree or disagree with this proposal, I look forward to hearing from you.

The Town Offices also receive complaints throughout the year about people not picking up after their pets. Please remember you need to pick up after your animals whether you are at the beach, walking the trails in the Town Forest or at Parsons Field.

Have a safe and happy holiday season.

Kevin Walsh
Chief of Police

Rye Recycling Education Committee Update

Rye ☐ Recycling – Let's Do It the Rye-ght Way!



Our town's recycling center is a "Source-Separated" center where we separate materials to be recycled by type. The town of Rye is able to offset a significant portion of our municipal solid waste expenses with revenue brought in by recycling. Recycling saves our town money while also conserving resources and reducing greenhouse gases.

Recycling is mandatory at our Transfer Station. Proper recycling is very important as it helps to significantly reduce the operating costs of our Transfer Station and to keep

resources out of the landfill. In 2013 the Town of Rye was able to divert over 546 tons of material away from the landfill by recycling paper, cardboard, newsprint, tin, glass and plastics. These 546 tons represented \$39,470 in "cost avoidance" (money not spent to send as trash to landfill) on top of \$70,100 in recycling revenues. These recycling revenues (money received for recyclables) equate to an average price of \$128 per ton. Had we recycled this material with a "single-stream" recycling model, the return would have been much less, somewhere between zero and \$20 per ton.

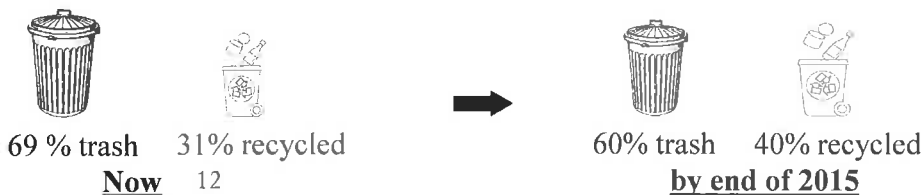
Our residents (our Front Line) and our Recycling Center staff are big reasons behind the good returns received each year for our recyclables. Rye has earned an excellent reputation for adherence to the specifications for the various recycling streams. Properly sorted recyclables start with YOU by placing ALL of your recyclable items correctly into the designated receptacles at our Recycling Center.

Please be sure that you are recycling ALL of the below items accepted at our Recycling Center: (your trash should NOT contain any of these items)

- ◆ glass (separated into white, green and brown barrels)
 - ◆ plastic #1  bottles, plastic #2  bottles and plastic #5 (caps only)
We would like to be able to accept plastic #3-#7s (especially dairy container #5s) though we have not found a way to do this yet due to the physical limitations of our center at this time. It is estimated that the other plastics would represent about 10% of the ~35 tons of #1+#2 bottles that are currently being collected and recycled each year.
 - ◆ aluminum
 - ◆ newsprint
 - ◆ mixed paper
 - ◆ tin cans
 - ◆ corrugated cardboard
 - ◆ food scrap for compost (Mr. Fox containers for those 50 households that are signed up)
 - ◆ ash
 - ☐ Hand to attendant: rechargeable batteries, CF-Light bulbs, florescent tubes & ballasts.
 - ☐ See attendant for e-waste/electronics, used oil, scrap metal, auto/boat/motorcycle batteries, bulky or construction/demolition materials and tires.
- http://www.town.rye.nh.us/Pages/RyeNH_DPW/transferguide.pdf

Rye's current rate of recycling is at 31% (recycling tonnage/recycling + trash tonnage). This rate has not changed much in recent years and is below NH's estimated statewide average recycling rate of 35%. There are communities such as San Francisco and Nantucket striving for zero waste (100% recycling/diversion from landfill) that have already exceeded a 75% rate of recycling or diversion rate. We believe there is room for improvement and that we can do better here in Rye. A Save Money And Reduce Trash (SMART) program is one way to significantly improve our rate of recycling and which we will be discussing in the near future.

In the meantime - let's CHALLENGE ourselves and set an obtainable goal to step up our rate of recycling to at least **40%** by the end of 2015. **Are you in?**



Recycling Committee's Message (continued from page 12)

Reminders:

- ◆ Remember to separate your recyclables at home to save time when dropping off at the Recycling Center.
- ◆ Many grocery stores will accept clean plastic grocery bags, produce bags and newspaper sleeves for recycling.
- ◆ Don't forget to pop into the SWAP Shop now and then either to drop-off or to shop.

The Rye Recycling Education Committee meets at the Rye Public Library each third Wednesday of the month at 6:00 p.m. All interested residents are welcome to attend. See you at the Recycling Center!

Deidre Smyrnos, Chairman
Rye Recycling Education Committee

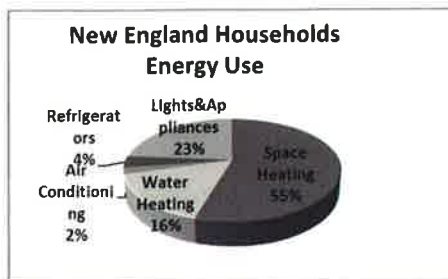
Rye Energy Committee Helps Residents to Stay Warm and Save Money



Fuel prices may be dropping recently, but with the memory of last winter's cold still in our minds, many residents are wondering how to **Stay Warm and Save Money**. If you missed the Rye Button Up NH energy workshop on Nov. 19th, you can still find information on weatherizing your home to reduce energy use. Visit the Rye Energy Committee's page on the Town website or watch short "Button Up" videos at <http://myenergyplan.net/buttonup/>.

How do homes use energy? According to the U.S. Energy Information Administration, households in New England use energy as shown in the chart below. Here in northern New England, it is not uncommon for space heating to consume up to 65%-75% of home energy use. It makes

sense to focus your energy-saving efforts on the big household energy consumers: space heating, water heating and lights and appliances.



The more heat your home loses, the harder your heating system has to work to keep up, and the more fuel you will burn. Most homes lose heating energy through air leaks and inadequate insulation. Air leaks at the top and bottom of your house are often the biggest offenders, with cold air seeping in at holes in the basement as warm air escapes from openings in the attic floor. See www.energystar.gov for a diagram of the most common air leak areas in a typical home. Many homes in the area have fiberglass insulation in poor condition, which can be upgraded to a more effective type of insulation that meets or exceeds the current NH Energy Code. It is usually far more cost-effective to address these energy wasting areas of your home before you invest in expensive high efficiency heating systems or solar energy systems. The NH Home Performance with Energy Star[®] program offers an energy analysis of your existing home by an energy professional and up to \$4000 in matching funds from the utilities to improve the efficiency of your home. If you are building a new home, consider the NH Energy Star Homes[®] program. Learn about both of these great programs at www.NHSaves.com.

Lights, appliances and electronics can consume large amounts of electricity. Look for Energy Star[®] versions of these products to ensure high quality and low energy use. To find your largest users of "phantom" energy, the energy consumed when the device is turned off but plugged in,

borrow a Kill-A-Watt meter from the Rye Public Library and have your family join you in doing an energy survey of all of your home's plug loads. As for lighting, our last newsletter article compared the benefits and costs of different types. LED lighting, with its long life and instant brightness, is becoming more affordable, with 60-watt equivalent bulbs selling for \$2.98 through the NH Saves catalog. Look for LED products from the top manufacturers such as Cree, GE and Phillips. Most appliances and electronics are available with the features you desire in an Energy Star version. By insisting on only Energy Star-rated products in your home, you can dramatically reduce your electric bill.

It is generally far less expensive to save energy than to purchase expensive high efficiency equipment. This is also true for water heating. Most of us here in Rye have water heaters that keep a tank of water hot 24 hours a day for our convenience. It makes sense to ensure that your tank is well insulated to avoid heat loss and that you are only using the hot water you need. Check to make sure that at least the first few feet of hot water pipe leading out of the tank are insulated. Even better, insulate all your exposed hot water pipes. You may have to try a few low-flow showerheads before you find one you like, but the effort can be worth it. Look for the EPA's WaterSense[®] label when you buy.

Now you will be ready to enjoy the winter, knowing that you have "buttoned up" your home and minimized your utility bills.

Michele Sopher, Co-chair
Rye Energy Committee

Visit the Town website
<http://www.town.rye.nh.us>
for news and up to date
information about the Town,
including meeting notices,

Sewer Department News

Financially Speaking

The Rye collection system was constructed in the early 1990's and consists of 6.9 miles of gravity sewer. This past summer one mile of the sewer line was inspected using Closed Circuit Television (CCTV), 12 manholes were inspected and sections of the pipeline cleaned.

The Town of Rye wastewater collection system discharges to the Town of Hampton and is treated at Hampton's Waste Water Treatment Plant (WWTP). As part of the current Inter-municipal Agreement that is good until November 17, 2019, Rye is responsible for contributing to The Town of Hampton WWTP upgrades (Rye's share 4%). Please see the table below indicating the current list of capital projects budgeted for in 2015.

The proposed Sewer Budget for 2015 by the Town of Rye Sewer Commission has decreased. There was a rise in the sewer usage and operation and maintenance charges set by the City of Portsmouth. However, it is important to note that 100% of the charges from the City of Portsmouth are recovered from the owner of

Adams Mobile Home Park. The Sewer Department administers the billing and operation of Adams Mobile Home Park on Lafayette Road which is connected to the City of Portsmouth Sewer System.

The original bond for Rye's sewer service in the amount of \$4.4 million that was shared 40% to Town general funds and 60% to the users of the sewer services was paid off at the end of 2012. It is important to note that 100% of the Sewer Department Budget is covered by fees to users.

The Sewer Budget operates out of fund 2. Revenues received from fees and charges are deposited into the fund and department costs are expended from the fund. The monies are able to accumulate from year to year and are not deemed part of the general fund; the fund has to be self-supporting.

For more information contact the Sewer Department at 964-6815.



Year	Total \$	Rye's Share	2015 Payment	Upgrade Description	Final Payment Year
1996	\$2.7 Million	\$108,000	\$1,570	Sludge transfer and storage	2016
2000	\$1.4 Million	\$56,000	\$2,440	Nitrification, dilution study and outfall study	2020
2005	\$4.75 Million	\$190,000	\$10,684	Additional clarifier, dewatering equipment, sludge thickening facility	2025
2009	\$1.38 Million	\$55,200	\$3,319	Process/control building, replace generator, upgrade headwork's	2029
2011	1.385 Million	\$55,400	\$3,523	Sludge monitoring and handling, NPDES Engineering	2033

Assessing Department Update

As the Holiday Season approaches we wish all of you a healthy and happy winter season. Our tax rate has been set by Department of Revenue Administration and bills have been sent on their way. Joanne and I have continued reviewing our data and found some projects that need to be done for tax year 2015. Don't be alarmed, most of these projects will not affect your assessment, they are

just housekeeping items.



able through the Town website. If you double click on the GIS logo, which is located on the 'Home' or 'Assessing' page of the Town of Rye website, you will be directed to our

If you aren't aware we have our **GIS/Assessment Data** now avail-

GIS site. From this site you can review and print property record data, as well as labels and reports. Hopefully, you will take some time and check out the GIS site.

Our first project for 2015 will be updating all the Conservation Commission properties and easements. With regard to this particular program only 74 properties are involved, although it does translate into

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hundreds of acres of land to categorize and value. Primarily, conservation restrictions and easements are valued using the "current use" valuation tables established by the Department of Revenue Administration and adjusted for the particular piece of property.

Our next project for 2015 will be creating a data-collection manual specific for the Town of Rye, NH.

A reminder for all of you who are getting up in your years: we have an Elderly Exemption available that if you qualify could reduce your tax liability. In addition to the Elderly Exemption we have an Exemption for the Blind and the Veteran's Credit available. Please take the time to read the qualifying information to see if any of these tax reducing programs work for you.

FYI: I drive a silver Jeep Liberty with NH license plate 'CNHA' with the town seal affixed to the sides my vehicle and I wear a town issued ID around my neck while in the field. So please be aware that I will be out there and truly identifiable. The Town's website has my picture on the Assessing Department's page if you would like to verify that any individual at your property is truly me.

David M. Hynes, CNHAS
Town Assessor
Joanne Drewniak,
Assessor's Assistant

Safety Tips from the Fire Chief

As we change from the warmth and sunshine of summer to traditional indoor and holiday activities the **Rye and Fire & Rescue** would like to offer a few reminders;

Did you know that COOKING FIRES are the number 1 cause

of home fires and home injuries?

THANKSGIVING is the leading day of the year for cooking fires, with three times as many cooking fires occurring as a normal day!

CHRISTMAS comes in second and CHRISTMAS EVE is third!

TIPS to make your holiday cooking safer:

Stay in the kitchen while frying, grilling or broiling – shut off the heat source when you leave.

When simmering, baking roasting or boiling check on it regularly, remain in the house and use a timer to remind you.

Keep anything that can catch fire away – oven mitts, utensils, food packaging, towels, etc. away from the stove top.

If you have a small (grease) cooking fire and decide to fight the fire - on the **stove top**- smother the flame by sliding a lid over the pan, turn off the burner and leave the pan and cover until cool.

For an **oven fire** – turn off the heat and keep the door closed to contain the fire inside the oven.

If you have any doubt about fighting a small fire – GET OUT – when you leave close the door behind you to help contain the fire. Call 911 from outside the home!

REMEMBER the leading cause of fires in the kitchen is unintended cooking!

CANDLES and Fire Safety

Candles are pretty to look at but they are a cause of home fires. Remember a candle is an open flame, which means that it can easily ignite anything that can burn.

CANDLE CARE

- ♦ Blow out all candles when you leave the room or go to bed.
- ♦ Avoid the use of candles in bedrooms or any other room where people fall asleep.
- ♦ Keep candles at least 12 inches from anything that can burn.

If you use candles:

- ♦ Use candle holders that are sturdy and won't tip over
- ♦ Put candle holders on an uncluttered surface
- ♦ Light candles carefully-keep hair and loose clothing away
- ♦ Don't burn candles all the way down – put it out before it gets too close to the holder
- ♦ Never use a candle if there is oxygen in use in the house
- ♦ Have a flashlight & battery powered lighting ready for use during a power outage – NEVER candles.

FACT:

- ♦ December is the peak time of year for candle fires
- ♦ Approximately one third of all candle fires start when things that can burn are too close to the candle

Please keep these tips in mind and have a safe and enjoyable winter season! (info source- NFPA)

Thomas Lambert
Fire Chief

Rye Heritage Commission News

The Town of Rye had no centralized burial ground until 1891. Before that time, each family or neighborhood made its own provision for its deceased members. With the establishment of the Central Cemetery on Central Road, there was a monumental effort made to relocate and consolidate all local graves at that one location. Nevertheless, sixty-three historical burial grounds remain scattered throughout Rye and on Star Island to this day.

The Brackett Massacre Burial Ground has just been "adopted" by

Heritage Commission's Message (continued from page 15)

Tom O'Neil, a descendant of the Brackett family, by vote of the Rye Heritage Commission as the first of the "Adopt-a-Graveyard" program to be formalized. The massacre which occurred on September 29, 1691 was one of the bloodiest "Indian raids" on the early settlers, claiming twenty victims of Sandy Beach [Rye of the times], including adult and children members of the Brackett family. The initial clean-up of this site was made by the Historic Projects Committee of the Rye Civic League in 1970. In 1972 restoration was completed around the circle of uncut stone markers located seventy-five feet from the roadside. In 1973 the tract including this Burial Ground was purchased by the Town of Rye through the efforts of the Conservation Commission.

Many other burial sites throughout the town, on Brackett, Cable, Central, Church, Garland, Grove, Lang, Locke, Ocean, Old Beach, Parsons, Pioneer, Sagamore, South, Wallis, Washington and West Roads, are available for adoption upon application to the Rye Heritage Commission. Adoption is available even to individuals who are not descendants of the original family members through the process which has been put into place by the Commission.

Twelve of these family cemeteries can be toured from the roadside:

BERRY	Opposite 130 Central Road
BRACKETT MASSACRE	Opposite 605 Brackett Road
DOW MONUMENT	Near 130 Parsons Road
DOW MONUMENT	Opposite 1159 Washington Road
FOSS	25 Washington Road
LOCKE-DOWNING	Near 190 Locke Road
ODIORNE	Rear of 505 Ocean Boulevard
PHILBRICK	Church Road at St. Andrews
SALTER-RAND	Near 651 Wallis Road
SOUTH ROAD	Near 434 South Road
WALLIS-ODIORNE	Near 500 Brackett Road

The earliest markers are plain, flat field stones. The graves usually have an east-west orientation with the

larger headstone at the west and the footstone at the east. After 1800, cut stones are used, with some being made from thin marble, rather than the earlier slate. After 1850, the marble becomes thicker and the carving more elaborate. Some of the old family burial grounds are in walled enclosures, the earlier in common stone walls and later in granite posts with iron railings or chains.

The list of family names on the gravestones in these private burial grounds are the who's who of early Rye history:

Batchelder	Beebe	Berry	Brown
Bunton	Carter	Caswell	Chesley
Clanin	Galton	Dow	Downes
Downing	Dunbar	Elkins	Fogg
Foss	Foye	Garland	Goss
Hutchins	Hill	Jenness	Jones
Kimball	Lang	Lewis	Locke
Marden	Marston	Miller	Mowe
Nason	Odiorne	Philbrick	Rand
Randall	Riggs	Robinson	Salter
Seavey	Sleeper	Stephens	Sweet
Trefethen	Tucker	Varrell	Wallis
Watson	Webster	Wedgewood	

The Rye Heritage Commission has published a legal notice in the local newspaper in an attempt to locate those family descendants who have an interest in maintaining their own family gravesites. For those burial grounds where family members do not come forward, an opportunity for "adoption" exists. Some of these locations are no longer owned by the original families and, in those cases, the Rye Heritage Commission works cooperatively with the current landowners to insure the privacy of the owner as well as to protect and preserve the graveyards. Photographs and historical descriptions of all of the remaining family burial grounds are assembled for public examination at the Rye Historical Society Museum across the parking lot from the Rye Library.

Mae Bradshaw, Chairman
Rye Heritage Commission

Rye Water District News

Water Main Flushing: District personnel have completed our semi-annual water main flushing to ensure clean safe drinking water and fire protection through the

Water District's News

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winter months.

Hydrants: Fire hydrants are now winterized and snow markers have been installed throughout the District. Once again we ask for your help in clearing snow away from hydrants near your property. This will be invaluable in an emergency. A six foot radius around all hydrants should also be kept clear of any permanent structures or plantings.

Freeze Prevention: To prevent damage and water loss due to freezing, all irrigation piping should be winterized, all outside faucets should be shut off; hoses disconnected.

Attention Seasonal Water Customers: The United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) and the New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NHDES) prohibit the installation of stop and waste type curb shut off valves (self draining) in public water systems. For seasonal customers, this means when the water valve at the street is shut off for the winter season, the water between your house and the street valve will not self drain. Since the water line going from the street shut off to the house is the responsibility of the homeowner, it is the homeowner's responsibility to drain or pump out your service line to prevent possible freezing damage during the winter months. The District highly recommends that all seasonal services be disconnected and drained by November 1. Water meters belong to the District and should not be removed or tampered with by others. Please call in advance to have your service disconnected at the street and the meter removed for proper storage.

Backflow Prevention & Lawn Irrigation: Water systems are designed with the intention of the water flowing in one direction, from the distribution system to the consumer; however, pressure within the system

may deviate from "normal" conditions, causing the water to flow in the opposite direction. This is called backflow. Backflow occurs when the pressure in the distribution system drops, such as during fire fighting, water main flushing, or when a water main breaks, which could siphon water from consumer's plumbing, and or irrigation system into the distribution system. It's important your irrigation system's backflow preventer is installed correctly and tested at least once a year. If you're not sure a backflow device is present or installed correctly, contact our office to schedule a free evaluation for next spring.

Rye Water District Commissioners
Ralph Hickson
Arthur Ditto
Thomas Clifford



*Egret on Awcomin Marsh,
Photo by Michael Labrie*

Conservation Commission News

The Rye Conservation Commission, with the Selectmen's support,

have contracted to purchase 73+ acres of the former Rand Lumber Company's land. Rockingham Conservation Specialist, Tracy Degan has worked with the Conservation Commission to leverage Open Space Bond funds and we were recently awarded an Aquatic Resource grant for \$221,000. This grant will be applied to the \$1.25 million purchase price. The sellers have agreed to favorable sale terms that allow for an additional year to continue CC efforts to leverage bond monies through grant applications.

The conservation of this parcel is important because in doing so we protect an existing wildlife corridor and support the Berry's Brook watershed. A series of logging roads that run through this centrally located property will provide residents additional lands for walking, mountain biking, birding and other passive outdoor recreational activities. There will be an easement placed on the land that will protect this property in perpetuity.

This new acquisition offers an opportunity to remind abutters of all conservation land that yard waste should be disposed of properly and not "thrown over the wall". In monitoring conservation properties it has been observed that the improper disposal of yard waste is a growing problem. The Rye Transfer Station is open on Tuesdays and Saturdays for disposal of grass clipping, leaf clean up, and tree trimmings. They even welcome discarded pumpkins and Christmas trees!

The Conservation Commission appreciates that residents continue to support Open Space Initiatives, helping to preserve the semi-rural character of our town, which makes Rye so special.

Sally King, Chairman
Rye Conservation Commission



Summer is over & the holiday season is on its way...

This is the time that the Rye Firefighters start to plan for the families of the Rye Community and the surrounding Seacoast Area that will be unable to share in the joys of the season. This is the 9th year that the Rye Firefighters have been able to participate in the Seacoast Area Firefighter Toy Bank and we greatly appreciate all of the support that our local community has offered to fellow residents. The many donations of toys and financial contributions have helped to make the season a wonderful time for various families who would be unable to celebrate on their own. However, it is not only during the holiday season that we are able to help in our community. Throughout the year, the Rye Firefighters toy bank also work to assist families in being able to recover, when they have been through such tragedies as a home fire or natural disaster. This is why we once again must ask for your help in preparing for this season. Beginning on November 1st we will be accepting any donations that could be offered until December 21st. If you know of a family in need please contact us.

Here is how you can assist:

- ♦ Donate new, unwrapped toys for age groups from newborn to 17 years old. We are always looking for ideas for the 11-17 age groups. Some good ideas for donations are Toys, crafts, games, Dolls, inflatable sleds, footballs, basketballs.
- ♦ Donate gift cards for local merchants to aid in purchasing items such as clothing and toys.
- ♦ Donate financial contributions to assist in making certain wishes come true. Donations should be made to the Rye Firefighter Toy Bank.
- ♦ Please drop off or mail any of your donations to the Rye Fire Station located at 555 Washington Road.
- ♦ Toy Drop-off Locations will be located at: The Rye Fire Station, Depot Honda, Hungry Horse Café, Rye Airfield, TD Bank, Rye Congregational Church, St. Theresa's Church, Rye Junior High and Elementary Schools, Outdoor Pride and Lang's Corner Garage

Please feel free to contact FF Charles Gallant or FF John Klanchesser at (603) 964-6411

Thank You for Your Support

WWW.toy-bank.com

ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARADE - DECEMBER 7TH

The Rye Fire Department Association and The Rye Lions Club would like to invite your organization to participate in the annual Rye Holiday Parade.

Date/Time: **Sunday, December 7, 2014 at 1:00 p.m.**

The parade will form behind **Webster at Rye, 795 Washington Road at 11:00 a.m. and will march along Washington Road to the Rye Junior High School.**

Trophies will be awarded to the winning entries following the parade at the Rye Junior High School.

This year's theme will be **"A Gift from the Heart"**

Please return entry forms as soon as possible to: Attention: Parade Chairmen, Rye Fire Department Association, 555 Washington Road, Rye, NH 03870. For additional information call 964-6411.



Thank You,
Rye Holiday Parade Chairmen
David C. Kornechuk
Chuck Gallant

Organization _____

Address _____

Contact person _____ Phone _____ Email _____

Type of entry - Please circle: BUSINESS NON-PROFIT FIRE APPARATUS FLOAT BAND WALKING UNIT
EQUESTRIAN

ANY FLOATS CARRYING CHILDREN MUST HAVE ADULTS ON BOARD TO SUPERVISE CHILDREN.
NO EXCEPTIONS.

This parade is a town event coordinated by the Rye Fire Department Association

Town of Rye Board Meetings

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 for up-to-date information.

December 2014

	1 6:00 pm Recreation Commission	2	3 9:00 am Rye Water District 60 Sagamore Road 7:00 pm Zoning Board of Adjustment	4 6:30 pm Heritage Commission	5	6
7 1:00 pm Rye Holiday Parade	8 6:30 pm Board of Selectmen	9 8:00 am Sewer Commission 7:00 pm Planning Board	10 6:30 pm Budget Committee Work Session – Town & School Budgets	11	12	13
14	15	16	17 6:00 pm Recycling Education Committee	18 7:00 pm Conservation Commission	19	20
21 First Day of Winter	22 6:30 pm Board of Selectmen	23	24	25 Christmas Day <i>Town Offices Closed</i>	26	27
28	29	30 7:00 pm TRC	31			

January 2015

				1 New Year's Day <i>Town offices Closed</i>	2	3
4	5 6:00 pm Recreation Commission	6	7 9:00am Rye Water District 60 Sagamore Road 7:00 pm Zoning Board of Adjustment	8 6:30 pm Heritage Commission	9	10
11	12 6:30 pm Board of Selectmen	13 8:00 am Sewer Commission 7:00 pm Planning Board	14 6:30 pm Public Hearing School Budget Jr. High School	15 6:30 pm Public Hearing Town Budget 7:00 pm Conservation Commission	16	17
18	19 MLK Civil Rights Day <i>Town Offices Closed</i>	20	21 6:00 pm Recycling Education Committee	22	23	24
25	26 6:30 pm Board of Selectmen	27 7:00 pm TRC	28	29	30	31 9:00 am DELIBERATIVE SESSION Jr. High School

February 2015

1	2 6:00 pm Recreation Commission	3 6:30 pm Precincts – Work Session & Public Hearings Town Hall	4 9:00am Rye Water District 60 Sagamore Road 6:30pm School District Deliberative Session Jr. High School 7:00 pm Zoning Board of Adjustment	5 6:30 pm School District Deliberative Session Snow Date 6:30 pm Heritage Commission	6	7 9:00 am DELIBERATIVE SESSION Snow Date
8	9 6:30 pm Board of Selectmen	10 8:00 am Sewer Commission 7:00 pm Planning Board	11	12	13	14
15	16 President's Day <i>Town Offices Closed</i>	17	18 6:00 pm Recycling Education Committee	19 7:00 pm Conservation Commission	20	21
22	23 6:30 pm Board of Selectmen	24 7:00 pm TRC	25	26	27	28

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



Leon C. Blaisdell

We were saddened by the recent death of Town Treasurer Leon Blaisdell on October 25, 2014.

Leon's entire career was in service to Rye residents including 34 years with the Rye Fire Department, the last four as Rye's Fire Chief. Leon was part of the family and will be missed in many ways.

On behalf of the Town, we send condolences to his family.

Mark Your Calendars Now

- ◇ Budget Committee Work Session 2014 School Budget
Wednesday, December 10, 2014, 6:30 p.m. Town Hall
- ◇ Budget Committee Work Session 2014 Town Budget
Thursday, December 11, 2014, 6:30 p.m. Town Hall
- ◇ Budget Committee Public Hearing 2014 School Budget
Wednesday, January 14, 2015, 6:30 p.m. Rye Junior High School
- ◇ Budget Committee Public Hearing 2014 Town Budget
Thursday, January 15, 2015, 6:30 p.m. Town Hall
- ◇ Deliberative Session (First Session of Town Meeting),
Saturday, January 31, 2015, 9:00 a.m. Rye Junior High School
- ◇ Precincts Work Session & Public Hearing Tuesday, February 3, 2015, 6:30 p.m. Town Hall
- ◇ Snow Date Deliberative Session Saturday, February 7, 2015, 9:00 a.m., Town Hall
- ◇ Municipal Election (Second Session of Town Meeting),
Tuesday, March 10, 2015, 8:00 a.m.– 7:00 p.m. Rye Elementary School

2015 PETITIONED WARRANT ARTICLES

Registered voters in Rye may submit Petitioned Warrant Articles for the 2015 Warrant to the Board of Selectmen until the deadline of Tuesday, January 13, 2015. For more information, please call the Selectmen's Office: 603-964-5523. Instructions are also posted on the Town Website: www.town.rye.nh.us under "Selectmen's Office".

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