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Selectmen's Message:

TOWN HALL DEFEATED: THE NEED REMAINS

Town Hall Proposal Defeated: The Need Remains: Continued overcrowding has forced further changes at Town Hall. Several months ago, the Recreation Department moved to the Recreation Area as a temporary means of obtaining sufficient space and, most recently, the Sewer Department has transferred its business operation from Town Hall to the second floor of the Precinct Hall in Rye Beach. Space that became available at Town Hall as the result of these changes was quickly utilized to relieve overcrowding to some degree.

Meanwhile, as services become scattered, at Town Hall one office still blocks a first floor egress, the facility remains non-compliant with regard to the Americans with Disabilities Act and the building exterior continues to deteriorate.

Back to the Drawing Board: No matter the reason or reasons for defeat of the recent Town Hall proposal, moving forward requires going back to the beginning in order to develop a proposal capable of garnering the necessary 60% vote of approval. A 2015 Town Hall Committee is being formed. Some past Town Hall Committee members have made themselves available to continue and a number of residents new to the task have volunteered to serve on a committee going forward. We anticipate representation from the Budget Committee, Planning Board, Heritage Commission, Historic District Commission and the Energy Committee. The 2015 Town Hall Committee will be selected from this group of volunteers.

While an enormous amount of valid background information in the form of studies and research has been accumulated and is available, it is apparent that to move forward committee planning must begin with exploration of every conceivable option plus development of the means to engage the community at large throughout the process, a goal that has proven difficult to achieve.

Town Administrator Michael Magnant has been in contact with Andy Smith, Director of the UNH Survey Center. The Center has worked with communities to bring proponents and opponents of projects together in a process that helps

NO SPRAY

Residents who do not want their property treated for mosquitoes must contact Swamp Inc. by email at <u>swampfixer@myfairpoint.net</u>. Be sure to include your name, physical address, phone number and a description of your property with boundaries OR visit their website at <u>www.swamp-inc.com</u> and click on "contact Swamp, Inc." at the top right for fillable request forms to register your No-Spray request online. Residents who would like to have their stagnant water checked for mosquitoes may call Swamp Inc.'s office at 431-0008 or email <u>swampfixer@myfairpoint.net</u>. There is no charge for this service. Contact Swamp Inc. for more information on spray dates, location, materials used, precautions and other concerns.

design a survey that can guide appropriate next steps.

Beach Issues: Town Meeting action on Article 21 officially dissolved the obsolete Beach Commission which had been created in 1999 to oversee a Beach Supervisor, a position which was never funded. Simultaneously, the same article placed the day to day training and oversight of our lifeguards under the supervision of the Fire Department, a strategy that has improved emergency response.

The Board of Selectmen held a work session on Thursday, April 9th to discuss the Tighe & Bond Parking Study and the Beach Committee Report with input from the Fire Department, Police Department and Public Works. Beach Committee members were also in attendance.

The Tighe & Bond Parking Study proposed striping to designate no parking areas adjacent to driveways and cross walks along Ocean Boulevard in order to provide safer sight distances at entrances onto the roadway. A site walk was held on April 29th during which decisions were made driveway by driveway for striping which will consist of a white "NO PARKING" stencil between two white lines. Generally that space included 20 feet from each driveway toward oncoming traffic and 10 feet beyond the driveway on the opposite side. No action can occur without State approval. It is estimated that this safety measure will reduce parking on Ocean Boulevard approximately 35 - 40 spaces.

It was agreed that remote parking, a suggestion in the Tighe

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& Bond Parking Study, will require careful consideration by the Town to determine possible unintended consequences. With regard to installation of parking meters, although meters are a possible revenue source there are numerous unanswered questions. We will need to research the cost of a parking meter study in order to propose a warrant article for next March.

The report of the Beach Committee recommended the purchase of mobile lifeguard stands to provide better vantage points for the lifeguards especially at low tide. Our current lifeguard stands are very heavy and remain in place throughout the season. Mobile stands are lighter, cost \$5,000 per stand (we have five) and would require security to prevent theft.

The increasing popularity of paddle boards has become a concern. Incidents involving inexperience, lack of leashes and paddling so far seaward that Coast Guard assistance was required were all reported last year.

The Beach Committee was renewed for the coming year. The Committee is charged with working with the Fire Department to provide advice and counsel as required to establish best beach lifeguard practices and to work with the Chief of Police to provide advice and counsel as needed. The Selectmen will consider other beach related issues and from time to time call upon the committee for research and advice. At this time the Board suggested that the Committee monitor resident parking space use along with use of parking by vehicles with out-ofstate/country plates during the summer season.

Discussion regarding the demarcation of swim zones versus surfing zones is ongoing. The goal, as always, is safety and fairness to all beach goers. Flags are set by the lifeguards who must take into account the weather conditions and tides. Improvement of flag visibility and swimming/surfing demarcation through use of a line of buoys were also discussed.

Fire Chief Tom Lambert has been working to complete lifeguard staffing, checking lifeguard equipment and updating the Life Guard Manual.

Police Chief Kevin Walsh reviewed enforcement. He presented a report that compiled statistics for the past three years and outlined plans for the upcoming season. Lack of adherence to the No Alcohol Policy, improper use of the beach by dog owners, illegal parking and loud pipe motorcycle violations are among the top enforcement areas. Chief Walsh noted that following approval of Article 17 in March, enforcement of the new ban on fireworks will be a challenge this season. Review of patrol tactics and proactive enforcement are part of the Police Department's preparation.

Applications by businesses for a Beach Use Permit are submitted through Chief Walsh. Several have been approved for the 2015 season.

Planning Administrator Kim Reed reviewed the work accomplished in collaboration with F B Environmental during Phase I of the Parsons Creek Watershed Grant which included bacteria monitoring. (For details go to the Selectmen's Minutes of April 9, 2015 on the Town Web Site). Detection of the source(s) of pollution in tidal areas of unknown base beneath sand is extremely difficult. Resolution will require cooperation of the home owners in this area.

Since the last newsletter, Planning Administrator Kim Reed announced that Phase II of the Parsons Creek Watershed Grant for continuation of the grant work has been approved. Meanwhile, the Board is in agreement that posting of the Parsons Creek area should remain in place on both sides of the bridge adjacent to Petey's Restaurant.

Public Works Director Dennis McCarthy reported that the Public Works Department has been digging out partially buried lobster traps on the beach from Concord Point north. The beach rubbish pick up bid has been awarded and beach cleaning is scheduled to start the week of May 25th.

SMART/Pay as You Throw: The Recycling Education Committee is an ad hoc subcommittee of the Rye Energy Committee. In March, voters rejected the SMART/Pay as You Throw program initiated as a petition warrant article by members of this committee.

After reviewing the scope of work undertaken by this subcommittee, the Board of Selectmen voted to continue the Recycling Education Committee with the following charge: "to educate residents on increasing the use of and maximizing the effectiveness of the town's source separated recycling program by researching ways to maximize and increase use of the program, providing written and electronic education materials and other resources such as the use of internet, seminars or public talks".

Changes at the Transfer/ Recycling Center: The BOS voted to return to the use of stickers to permit access to our Transfer/Recycling Center. Stickers will be issued at no charge to residents at the time of vehicle registration. The sticker program will require a year to become fully operational. Those property owners with rental units will need to contact the Town Clerk's office for

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details.

We are also in discussion with the North Hampton Board of Selectmen. Other than using a private hauler, North Hampton does not provide a place for their residents to take waste. We have become aware of North Hampton residents coming to Rye to use the transfer station for waste and recyclables. Allowing continuation will require purchase of a sticker by North Hampton residents which will cover our cost of disposal and their proportionate share of transfer station operations.

Shared Fire Services: On February 10th, a work session was held to begin exploration of opportunities for shared services between the Rye Fire Department and the Portsmouth Fire Department. The Selectmen, Town Administrator Mike Magnant and Rye Fire Chief Tom Lambert were joined by Portsmouth Fire Commissioner Richard Gamester and Portsmouth Fire Chief Steve Achilles.

The goal over time is to seek a degree of regionalization through collaboration and delivery of fire services in those areas where it would be beneficial to both communities.

The current status of both fire departments was discussed. Among the topics of the evening were: administration, staffing, types of service requested, how services are delivered, dispatching methods and mutual aid.

It was agreed that any proposed changes will be "baby steps" that will require benefit to both communities.

A working group was formed consisting of Alan Gould, Town Administrator Mike Magnant and Fire Chief Tom Lambert.

Comcast: Jay Somers, Comcast Representative, met with the Board of Selectmen on February 23rd. He was immediately under fire regarding television rates. He stated that there are three drivers of rate increases: business decisions, technology upgrades and programming in terms of sports and broadcast fees.

Mr. Somers urged customers unhappy about their rates to call the Customer Service Number: **1-800-COMCAST.** Basic Limited Service is \$24.60 per month. If you want low cost limited TV and limited speed internet service, ask for "Internet Plus", at \$74.95 per month. Additional charges for equipment and/or installation may apply. The Comcast rate sheet is a sea of numbers and options. If you want low cost limited service, you will need to insist on it.

Contract Renewal: It is time to begin the renewal process of the town's contract with Comcast. The Cable Act allows formal renewal negotiation or an informal process. Neither programming nor costs of various cable services are negotiable. Using the formal renewal process 5 years ago, we managed to extend the distance from roadway to residence that Comcast would provide; but the cost, which required a contract lawyer, was \$20,000.

We plan to use the informal process this time around which will require the Selectmen to hold a Public Hearing followed by a vote to accept or deny the contract. To our knowledge, no changes to the contract are being proposed.

Public Safety Building Energy Audit Presented: The report on the Public Safety Building Energy Audit conducted by Resilient Building Group, Inc. of Concord, NH was presented to the Board of Selectmen on April 13th. The report detailed the process whereby the Safety Building was assessed and analyzed, seeking opportunities to

make cost effective and appropriate improvements to reduce energy use followed by the energy report itself, "a strategy document", that can serve to reduce overall energy use by approximately 22% and reduce energy costs by approximately 49%. While full implementation would necessitate an investment of about \$250,000, many items require relatively little cost and this figure does not take into account rebates, grants or reduced interest loans.

Retirements: Fire Lieutenant Steve Laing worked his last regular shift at the Rye Fire Department on April 29, 2015 completing 36 years of service to the Town of Rye. We thank Steve for his long time service and dedication to the residents of Rye.

Harriet Goff, Police Dispatcher/Secretary, retired on May 29th. Harriet has served the town in that capacity since 1982, a total of 33 years.

We wish both Steve and Harriet health and happiness in the years ahead.

Presentation of the Boston Post Cane: As you may know, the Boston Post Cane tradition was started in 1909 by Edwin Grozier, publisher of the Boston Post Newspaper, when he presented 14-carat gold headed, ebony canes to 700 New England towns with the request that in each town the cane be presented by the Selectmen to the oldest living male "to be used as long as he lives or until he moves from the town". In 1930, this changed to "oldest living resident" making females eligible.

The latest recipient of Rye's Boston Post Cane is Louise Frances Philbrick. The Board of Selectmen presented the cane to Louise at Webster at Rye on May 13th, just two days after she celebrated her 100th birthday. Again, congratulations and

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happy birthday Louise. Enjoy a safe summer.

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

Town Clerk/Tax Collector's Message

To make it easier for those of . you who find it difficult to get to the office during our normal Monday -Friday hours we are now offering Saturday (9:00am to noon) hours. In addition we also offer the ability to register your vehicles and boats, 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.rve.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. For mail-in requests, please include a copy of the registration for each permit requested. A stamped, selfaddressed 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.

Have you licensed your dog yet? If not, you are late and you Income Homeowners Property Tax

should be expecting a visit from the Animal Control Officer when he delivers your Civil Forfeiture which advises you of the \$25.00 fine per dog. All dogs should have been licensed by April 30th each. 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:

- Spaved or neutered dog \$6.50
- Puppies under 7 months \$6.50 of age

\$9.00

- Unaltered dog
- Senior citizens (over 65) may license one dog at a discounted price \$2.00
- Late fee if done after May 31st \$1.00/month

Please include a stamped, self-addressed envelope if paying by mail.

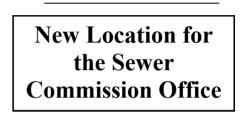
First Issue 2015 Property Tax bills should be in the mail by the end of May. They will be due July 1st. Taxpayers who escrow their taxes should forward a copy of the tax bill to their mortgage company. If you pay by mail and would like a receipt, just include a stamped, selfaddressed envelope with your 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 vour taxes, consider making your payment by mail or online. Remember, as long as your payment is postmarked by July 1 or earlier, the payment will be considered on time. Please consider the following: postdated checks are NOT accepted in this office. They will be returned to you.

Once again the State of NH is offering the Low and Moderate

Relief. Forms are available at the Town Clerk's office or can be downloaded from the state's website (www.nh.gov/revenue). The form must be completed and returned to the state no later than June 30, 2014. If you need assistance completing the form, help is available by calling this office at 964-8562.

Elizabeth M. Yeaton Town Clerk/Tax Collector

Please be notified



WE HAVE

MOVED! that the Sewer oo oo o Commission Office has been relocated to the Rye Beach Village District Building, 830 Central Road, Rye Beach, NH. It is located on the second floor, above the U.S. Post Office. Our mailing address, telephone, fax and e-mails are the same. Office hours are Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. For assistance after hours please call 964-6815, we would be glad to assist vou. The Sewer Commissioners are David Kohlhase, Chairman; Peter Kasnet, Vice Chairman; and David Adams, Commissioner, Lee Arthur is the Sewer Administrator

Town of Rye **Sewer Commission Office** Mailing Address:

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NOTICE: Please note per Sewer Use Ordinance § 402 Drains: No person(s) shall maintain or make connection of roof downspouts, foundation drains, areaway drains or other sources of surface runoff or groundwater to a building sewer or building drain which in turn is connected directly or indirectly to a public sanitary sewer. The Sewer Commission checks the sewer system regularly and enforces penalties to those found to be violating this ordinance

Message from the **Fire Chief**

Fireworks: At the 2015 Annual Town Meeting, the voters in the Town of Rye approved Article 17 • "The Fire Works Ordinance". This Ordinance prohibits the retail and wholesale sale of fireworks and the possession, display and discharge of • fireworks within the Town of Rye. (The complete copy of #34 Fireworks Ordinance can be found on the Town web site).

This ordinance does include an exception for people who have been issued a Certificate of Competency by the NH Commissioner of Public Safety to be allowed to possess and display fireworks after receiving a permit from the Town. This will allow for fireworks displays by those trained and insured for such events.

Failure to comply with this ordinance will result in fines and the responsibility to reimburse the Town for all cost associated with the mitigation of any fire or emergency associated with the misuse.

It is hoped that by the passage of this ordinance it will help to control the unintended consequences

of consumer fireworks use. These issues include; the annovance of others, uncontrolled spread of debris, the damage to property and death and injury to users and bystanders.

Fireworks by the numbers:

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- In 2011, fireworks caused an estimated 17,800 reported fires including 1,200 total structure fires, 400 vehicle fires, and 16.300 outside and other fires. These fires resulted in an estimated eight reported civilian deaths, 40 civilian injuries and \$32 million in direct property damage.
- In 2012, U.S. hospital emer-• gency rooms treated an estimated 8,700 people for fireworks related injuries; 55% of 2012 emergency room fireworksrelated injuries were to the extremities and 31% were to the head.
 - The risk of fireworks injury was highest for young people ages 15 -24, followed by children under 10.
 - On Independence Day in a typical year, far more U.S. fires are reported than on any other day, and fireworks account for two out of five of those fires, more than any other cause of fires.

(Source NFPA/John Hall 2013)

All fireworks are inherently dangerous and their use is best left to the trained professionals. Many people do not realize the dangers of using something as "innocent" as sparklers. These products are often used by children, who run with or twirl them around. The fact is sparklers can reach temperatures close to 1200 degrees. That temperature is twice what wood burns at and higher than required to melt glass.

So enjoy your summer by going to view fireworks displays conducted by trained professionals. Keep a safe distance and follow the recommendations of the officials 5 sponsoring the display.

Ticks/Lyme Disease: Concord, NH - The New Hampshire Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS), Division of Public Health Services (DPHS) has released a Tickborne Disease Prevention Plan that provides detailed information about the tickborne diseases encountered in New Hampshire and methods to prevent them. The intent of this plan is to describe preventative measures and actions that are recommended by DHHS for individuals in NH to prevent tickborne disease.

"Lvme disease is a major public health issue in New Hampshire. The Tickborne Disease Prevention Plan provides a collaborative and comprehensive approach to staying safe from the type of tick that carries Lyme disease," said Dr. Benjamin Chan, State Epidemiologist. "Blacklegged ticks carry the bacteria that cause Lyme disease. These ticks even cause other infections besides Lyme disease. This new plan highlights the many ways that we can prevent tick bites."

In 2014, there were an estimated 1,415 cases of Lyme disease in New Hampshire. According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), there were over 36,000 cases in the United States in 2013 (the most recent year for which data are available), and New Hampshire had the second highest incidence rate of Lyme disease in the country.

Lyme disease is caused by the bacterium Borrelia burgdoferi and is transmitted to people by the bite of an infected blacklegged tick (also known as the deer tick). The greatest risk for Lyme disease is between the months of May and August when the blacklegged tick is in the nymphal stage. The nymph is about the size of a poppy seed and very difficult to see, so individuals

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may be unaware they have been bitten. Ticks that transmit Lyme Disease can also transmit other diseases, such as anaplasmosis, babesiosis, and Powassan virus. Although not as common as Lyme Disease, these have been documented in New Hampshire.

Symptoms of Lyme Disease in the early stages can include fever, headache, fatigue, and most often a red skin rash that is round and may look like a bull's-eye. Lyme disease is treatable with antibiotics, but if left untreated can lead to complications of meningitis (inflammation of the lining around the spinal cord), pain and swelling in large joints, and heart complications.

DHHS recommends taking the following precautions to prevent tick bites:

- Avoid tick-infested areas such as overgrown grass, brush, and leaf litter
- Use insect repellent labeled as effective against ticks
- Wear protective clothing (long pants and long sleeves to keep ticks off skin)
- Do daily tick checks on yourself, family members, and pets, especially after being outdoors
- Consult with your veterinarian about tick prevention for pets
- Shower soon after returning indoors to wash or rinse off any unattached ticks
- Reduce ticks around your home by keeping grass short, removing leaf litter, and minimizing habitat of food sources for deer and rodents, which can carry ticks
- Speak with your healthcare provider if you are bitten by a tick or if you notice a large round rash anywhere on you

The plan is available on the D H H S website at: <u>http://www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/cdcs/</u> l y m e / d o c u m e n t s / <u>tbdpreventionplan.pdf</u>. For more information about Lyme disease and other tickborne diseases, visit the DHHS website at <u>www.dhhs.nh.gov/dphs/cdcs/lyme/</u> <u>index.htm</u> or the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) website at <u>www.cdc.gov/ticks/index.html</u>.

> Thomas Lambert Fire Chief

Historic District Commission News

Most of us drive through the central Rye Historic District as we pass by the Rye Town Hall or Junior High School. But did you know that the Rye Historic District also encompasses four off shore islands.

The New Hampshire islands of Star, White, Seavey, and Lunging are not only legally in the Town of Rye but are also part of the Rye Historic District. Six miles off shore, New Hampshire's four islands include an island that has a working lighthouse and one that has a hotel which offers rooms to the public during the summer months.

White Island, owned by the State of New Hampshire, includes the White Island Lighthouse, a working light house built in 1859 and automated in 1986. It is 58' feet high and 82' feet above sea level. Easily seen from the Rye coast it emits a white warning light every 15 seconds and a fog horn every 30 seconds. Not accessible by the public, it however can be seen close up by private boat or one of the local charter boats which go out to the Isles of Shoals.

Seavey Island is a small four acre island that is more easily seen at low tide. It is connected to White Island by a rock bridge and was once referred to as "the cow pasture". It also is not accessible to the public.

Lunging island, originally the headquarters of the cod fishery on the Shoals, is privately owned and includes a seasonal home.

Star Island, 46 acres in size and the second largest of the nine Isles of Shoals, is accessible to the public both for day and overnight visits. It houses the historic Oceanic Hotel, which offers overnight accommodations throughout the summer months including family style meals and access to the Rutledge Marine Laboratory, Celia Thaxter art, hourly row boat rentals, massage therapy, and the Vaughn Thaxter memorial cottage. It offers a stunning view of the Gulf of Maine as well as weekly theme programs and an opportunity to view the Rye coast from a different perspective.

The Rye Historic District Commission is pleased to continue to work with the Star Island Corporation, owners of Star Island, in support of their efforts to reduce their reliance on outside energy sources.

Star Island Corporation met with us last spring in an effort to gain approval for the installation of an off-grid photovoltaic array (solar panel array) as they move to reduce their use of diesel generators that currently supply the islands power needs. We approved the installation of a 130KW photovoltaic array (panels set on the ground) that will cover 10,400 square feet. This system was installed over the past nine months and will generate over 60% of the islands electrical power needs making it the largest off-grid photovoltaic array in New England. Provided that the system works as designed, plans are in place in the future to expand the system to produce 200KW of power with the expanded array taking up a 16,000 square feet foot print and providing almost all of the Star Islands power needs. (some of this article was printed in the fall

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2013 newsletter but it was reprinted again as a reminder that four of the nine islands that make up the Isle of Shoals are in Rye and provide so much enjoyment for visitors and residents of Rye who have made the trip)

The boat companies, Island Cruises (uncleoscar.com) out of Rye Harbor and The Isles of Shoals S t e a m s h i p C o m p a n y (islesofshoals.org) out of Portsmouth Harbor offer day and evening visits to Star Island.

We encourage you to include a trip to Star Island in your summer plans.

Phil Winslow, Chairman Rye Historic District Commission

Message from the Police Chief

Rye and other area police departments are taking reports of GPS systems and satellite radio systems being removed from unlocked cars parked in driveways and along the beach parking spaces. You may want to consider removing these items from your vehicle at night or when parked at the beach. Also, when parked at the beach, please do not leave cell phones, purses or wallets in your vehicles. In many of the most recent thefts from vehicles, a single credit card is taken. In many instances no one notices a single card missing, giving time for someone to make unauthorized charges on your credit card. In any case, always remember to lock vour vehicle, even when parked in your driveway.

About dogs on Rye beaches: Starting on May 23rd, (the Saturday before Memorial Day) and ending October 1, dogs are not allowed on the beach from 9:00 a.m. until after 7:00 p.m. Please remember, the law says you must have your dog under control at all times. The Town Ordinance requires that you clean up after your dog and any dog waste must be taken with you and disposed of properly.

Beach parking advice: Residents, when you get your 2015 Beach Parking Permit Sticker from the Town Clerk's office, please put it on the driver's side rear window as soon as you get it. Mopeds are required to have a beach permit sticker if parked in permitted parking space. Parking enforcement will ticket vehicles without a sticker once the "Parking by Permit Only" signs are posted.

And, 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 person obtaining the fire permit must extinguish the fire before leaving the beach. NO FIRE SHALL BE BUILT ON ANY SAND AREA OF ANY BEACH.

Cross Walks: Officers noticed pedestrians are not using the crosswalk when crossing the street. Residents state they have seen vehicles almost hit pedestrians. Pedestrians are walking out into the roadway between two parked vehicles and drivers do not see the pedestrians until the last minute. Drivers beware of crosswalk locations and yield to pedestrians when they are in the crosswalk.

Hands Free: Beginning July 1, 2015 adult drivers cannot hold cell phones and other electronic devices. Drivers under 18

vears old are barred from ALL phone use. New Hampshire State Police state 28% of N.H. fatal crashes are related to distracted driving. IF YOU NEED TO TEXT MESSAGE OR USE YOUR CELL PHONE PULL OVER AND PARK. I wrote a ticket to a driver during bike to school week. The driver was looking down as he drove. I stopped him for speeding in a school zone. He held his cell phone on his lap while he was reading and sending a text message. IS A TEXT MESSAGE OR PHONE CALL WORTH A CRASH? NO!

Thank you for your support. Stay safe and enjoy the summer!

> Kevin Walsh Chief of Police

Senior Serve News

SERVE encourages Rye's senior residents to take advantage of the programs we offer: a phone call each morning to check on your well-being; individual rides to medical and other important appointments; weekly trips on the SERVE van to a shopping plaza to visit the grocery store, bank, pharmacy, and to spend time with the congenial group of van riders and helpers.

Find out about these and other programs on the Rye Town website, <u>www.town.rye.nh.us</u> (see Senior Services) or by calling Connie Olson at 964-5170 to receive a SERVE brochure in the mail.

Are you a Rye resident who has the time to help with these programs? SERVE is happy to welcome new volunteers. A small amount of time is the most valuable contribution you can make to your neighbors and community.

Please don't forget the

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SERVE van replacement fund which is building to form the basis of a major fundraising effort. We

thank those who have so generously contributed thus far. Donations, large or small, may be sent to SERVE Van Replacement Fund, Attn: Treasurer Mel Low, P.O. Box 902, Rye, NH 03870.

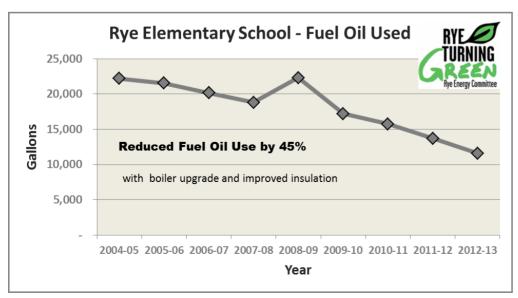
> Connie Olson Rye Senior SERVE

Energy Committee Update

Rye Turning Green Poster project - The Rye Energy Committee is spreading the word about great steps that our town has taken to save energy for our citizens. The energy savings have been documented on posters at the Rye Recycling Center, the Rye Public Library and most recently at Rye Elementary School, which is below for all to see. **Solar Energy -** Some of you may have seen solar energy panels on your neighbors' roofs and wondered if solar energy can work for you. If you missed our *Going Solar* workshop for residents on May 13th, you can find important information about solar energy topics on the Energy Committee page of the town website.

The Rye Energy Committee works to help the town and its residents to achieve the cost savings and independence that result from energy efficiency and local food production. Stay informed of upcoming events by signing up for the Energy Committee, Civic League, or Town or Rye email lists. Better yet, attend one of our meetings, held on the first Tuesday of the month at the Rye Public Library at 6:30 p.m. We are currently welcoming new members.

> Rye Energy Committee Danna Truslow Michele Sopher Susan Anderson Lucy J. Neiman Howard Kalet Tom Archibald



Rye Historical Society News

The Rye Town Museum is open for the season. Join us for a Trolley Tour on July 4th.

The museum is encouraging visitors by asking that they request the museum be open year round by calling 997-6742 or by emailing: info@ryenhhistoricalsociety.org to make an appointment. In many cases a telephone request will get the museum open in 5-10 minutes. Regular hours are Saturdays from May until October from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and most Wednesdays year round from 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

The Rye History Trolley Tour will be run on Saturday, July 4th from 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. leaving from the museum. It stops at St. Andrews chapel, Drake House, Rye Harbor and Goss Farm with narrated history along the way and a museum visit at the end.

Reservations by e-mail only to: info@ryenhhistoricalsociety.org please give your name, number in your party and a telephone number. The price is \$20 per person, \$18 for seniors, those under 18 as well as members. For further information please call the museum.

The town museum could use your help on a variety of interesting projects. Go to our website: <u>ryenhhistoricalsociety.org</u> and click on "contact us" for volunteer opportunities. One example of a project is documenting the older houses of Rye. This has already been started and is ready made for someone who recognizes the rich heritage of Rye's older homes.

> Alex Herlihy, Chairman Rye Historical Society

2015 Mosquito Control Program

It's that time of year again and the mosquitoes will be flying soon. The town mosquito program will be completed by Swamp, Inc. (Swamp) this season under the auspices of the Rye Mosquito Control Commission. Swamp also contracts with the neighboring communities of Greenland, Portsmouth, New Castle and Kittery.

The 2015 program will include controlling mosquito breeding areas throughout town. The primary mosquito breeding areas in Rye include the shallow, stagnant waters of red maple swamps, woodland pools, roadside catch basins and ditches, cattail marshes, rainwater pools and salt marshes. The primary control agent will be a naturally- occurring bacterium called BTI. Street spraying will occur infrequently and be completed when, and if, mosquito populations are extremely high and an elevated threat from disease occurs.

Adult (winged) mosquitoes will be collected in traps on a weekly basis through town from June through mid October. Mosquitoes will be identified by species and transported to the state health lab in Concord for disease testing (West Nile Virus and Eastern Equine Encephalitis).

Swamp also will be completing non pesticide alternatives to control mosquito breeding by water management. Swamp will be working with Public Works on roadside ditch and culvert opening clearing to assure stormwater flow since mosquito breeding only occurs in stagnant waters. Swamp will be identifying and GIS mapping an invasive plant called Phragmites on salt marshes. Phragmites stagnates water and frequently results in mosquito

breeding. GIS information will be presented to the Conservation Commission for review. Swamp will investigate potential grants for controlling Phragmites. Salt marsh habitats
in Rye will be assessed for restoration potential. Restoration can solve many problems including mosquito <u>V</u> breeding.

Swamp will also be completing poison ivy control and tick control on town properties as requested. This service is provided at no cost to the town.

In summary, the Rye program will include controlling mosquitoes at their source: stagnant waters. Long term non pesticide alternatives will also be investigated and completed. The program strives to provide protection of town residents in a scientific, environmentally responsible manner.

> Michael Morrison, Entomologist Swamp, Inc.

Rye Water District News

Annual Meeting

At our annual meeting held at the Rye Junior High School on Saturday, March 28, 2015:

- Ralph Hickson was re-elected as Commissioner for a three-year term;
- Andrea Morrissey was elected District Treasurer for a threeyear term;
- Joshua Scott was re-elected as District Moderator for a two-year term;
- The Water District's annual budget; \$1,152,261 was approved to defray the charges for the ensuing year.

The District was authorized to raise and appropriate:

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- \$30,000 to be placed in the existing Distribution System Replacement and Improvement Capital Reserve Fund; and
- \$15,000 to be placed in the District's existing Equipment and Buildings Capital Reserve Fund.

Water Main Flushing

Our semi-annual water main flushing is now completed. Sedimentation that accumulated over the winter months has been flushed out with the addition of a small amount of chlorine to help maintain safe and clean drinking water.

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 Rve 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 Rve 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 stonewalls, 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

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meter reading pad/radio receptacle to be temporally removed or relocated. Our meter reading equipment should not be removed or tampered with in any way by others. Please call the Rye Water District'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.

Water Conservation Urged

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 a 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.

New Billing System

Coming soon: The District will be using a new utility billing

software program that will reduce the cost of billing and provide new features that will benefit all users.

New email Address

The Rye Water District Commissioners now have a new general e-mail address: commissoners.ryewater@comcast.net

Arthur Ditto Ralph Hickson Thomas Clifford Rye Water District Commissioners

2015 Rye Memorial Day Ceremony

On Monday, May 25, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. the Town of Rye will conduct a Memorial Day Ceremony at Central Cemetery. The Ceremony will begin with a parade from the Veterans Monument lead by a 26 year old morgan gelding "Willie" and end on the green at Central Cemetery. Participating in the parade will be the New Hampshire Police Association Pipes and Drums, the Rye Police and Fire Departments, Veterans, Girl and Boy Scouts, and vintage fire trucks.

The Guest Speaker is Veteran Michael A. Coutu. The music and sound will be provided by Kevin Schladenhauffen, Karrie Burnett, the New Hampshire Police Association Pipes and Drums with assistance from Seacoast Power Equipment. Matthew Harrison will perform taps with echo. Songs will be sung by Riley Emery and Karrie Burnett. The Pledge of Allegiance will be led by Bill Epperson and a wreath donated by the Rye Lions will be placed in memory of our Veterans.

Awards will be presented by Selectman Priscilla Jenness and Bill Epperson to participants of the Rye Recreation Memorial Day Poster and Writing Contest from the Rye Elementary and Rye Junior High.

Recipients of the Poster Contest Awards are: Grade K, Brooklyn Barnhorst; Grade 1, Boston Brindamour; Grade 2, Rena Eberhardt and Owen Coffey; and Grade 3, Cleo Conway and James DeDeus. Recipients of the Writing Contest Awards are: Grade 4, Josie Sedam; Grade 5, Yuki Ichihara; Grade 6, Kimberly Brandon; Grade 7, Kate Weathersby; and Grade 8. Jacob Allen. Posters will be available for viewing and the poems and essays will be read. Rve Clergy will give the invocation and the benediction. Immediately after the ceremony, refreshments will be provided by the Rye Heritage Commission.

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

All veterans are invited to march in the parade. You do not have to be a member of a veteran organization to participate. Those with physical limitations may sit among fellow veterans during the ceremony.

For more information, contact Lee Arthur, Recreation Director, at 964-6281.



RYC ART IN BLOOM 2015

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"A Woman in a Robe" by Jillian Swist, Oil; Flower Arranger: Shawna Healy-Swist

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Rye Recreation and Webster at Rye recently held the 15th 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.

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

"5 Mädchen" by Marianne 1. Forman, Oil; Flower Arranger: Kelley Gallant

"A Rose is a Rose is a Rose" 2. by Shirley Lyle, Oil; Flower Arranger: Sharri Mitchell

"A Woman in a Robe" by 3. Jillian Swist, Oil; Flower Arranger: Shawna Healy-Swist

"Anticipation" by Jan 4. Olmstead, Watercolor; Flower Arranger: Debra Sleeper

5. "Aunt Priscilla's Cabbages" by Julie Hyde, Watercolor; Flower Arranger: Fran Hyde

"Bass Harbor Head Light" by 6. Priscilla Jenness, Oil; Flower Arranger: Priscilla Jenness

7. "Beach Wind" by Deirdre O'Leary, Oil; Flower Arranger: Karey Kelly

"Cat Lady" by Joan 8. Sweeney, Watercolor/Pen; Flower Arranger: Crystal Ruhland

"Cedar Key, Florida" by 9. Lynn Joslyn, Watercolor; Flower Arranger: Kim Devlin-Brytz

"Flicker" by Marge Allen, 10. Watercolor; Flower Arranger: Marge Allen

11. "Green Spirit" by Peg Duffin, Watercolor; Flower Arrangers: Claudia Hackett, Ethan Hackett and Daniel Esmonde

12. "Herman" by Jude Stillwagon, Pastel; Flower Arranger: Jude Stillwagon

"Isle au Haut" by Roger 13. Venden, Oil; Flower Arranger: Kathryn Job

"Mont St. Michel" by Doris 14. Rice, Watercolor; Flower Arranger: **Priscilla Patrick**

15. "Night Nurse" by Angelo Sinisi, Bronze; Flower Arranger: Joan Sinisi

"North Church" by Scott 16. Sulley, Photography; Flower Arranger: Sarah Oliver

"Pink Giant" by Jean 17. Leopold, Watercolor; Flower Arranger: Karen Johnson

"Piscataqua River" by Maddi 18 Alana, Watercolor; Flower Arranger: Joanne Kalet

"Proud Parrots" by Carol 19. Rodenberg, Watercolor; Flower Arranger: Cynthia King

"Red Banded Fish" by Jodi 20. Adams, Fabric; Flower Arranger: Karen Johnson

"Rye Surf Buddies" by Mike 21. Labrie, Photography; Flower Arranger: Jane Holway

"Spring" by Kate Clifford, 22. Oil; Flower Arranger: Kate Clifford "The Big Tree" by Ann 23. Tolson, Acrylic; Flower Arranger: Karen Johnson

"The Nubble" by Barbara 24 Ripley, Oil; Flower Arranger: Marge Robertson

25. "Winter Birches" by Claire Russo, Fabric; Flower Arranger: Beverly Lord

"Winter Light" by Pat 26. Dubois, Pastel; Flower Arranger: Margaret Gray

27. "Winter Sunset" by Linda Szabo, Acrylic; Flower Arranger: Tracy Mahoney



SUMMER 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/



WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3, 2015, 8:00 A.M. (Rye and New Castle Residents Only) Soccer deadline is Friday, July 31, 2015 Late fee of \$30 will be applied to soccer

JULY 4TH CELEBRATION Saturday, July 4, 2015 Parsons Field, 7:00 p.m. Live Band

At dusk fireworks by Jack Tobey & Crew

WEATHER PERMITTING - NO RAIN DATE

CARDIO & TONING FITNESS is instructed by Alexis Mason. Simple moves and combinations for cardio are paired with lightweight 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. June 1, 3, 17, 22, 24, 29, July 1, 6, 20, 22, 27, 29, August 3, 5, 10, 2015, 10:00-11:00 a.m.

Fee: \$15 (Prorated to start date) Active, Alive and Over 55 Club Membership required.

SUMMERTIME HORYEZONS

DAY CAMP is a thematically based day camp for youth entering grades K-6. This year's camp runs June 22-August 14, 2015 and will be held at the Recreation House, 55 Recreation Road, Rye. Full-day campers will need to bring two snacks, drinks, and a lunch each day while half-day campers only need a snack and a drink. Prior to arrival, please apply bug spray, sunscreen, and label all belongings. There will be water activities daily and a BBO every Friday. 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 include t-shirt:

Weeks 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8; Full Day: \$140/wk, Half-Day: \$75/wk Week 2 (No Camp July 3rd); Full Day: \$112/wk, Half-Day: \$60/wk

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. For ages 11 and up. Held at the Rye Public Library, Rye. Participants should bring lunch, a snack and drink. Saturday, June 13, 2015, 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Thursdays, July 16, 23, 30, August 6, Fee: \$90

Week 1, June 22-26, Buggy Business

It's all about bugs! Join us and learn all kinds of interesting facts about bugs, how they live, and the cool things they do; even create your own bugs and make "bugs" you can eat!

Week 2, June 29-July 2, Puppets & Theater

Together we will create amazing puppets, a puppet theatre, and script our very own puppet show that you can invite special guests to. (No camp July 3rd)

Week 3, July 6-10, Kids Creations Come express yourself! If you like to build, cut, glue, paint, tape and create, then this week of arts and crafts is for you.

Week 4, July 13-17, Mad Scientist

This week will be packed with scientific experiments. Through interesting and imaginative investigations, our campers will discover the excitement of science.

ADULT YOGA AND MEDITATION

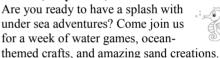
is instructed by Jeanie Ryan. Build inner and outer strength while relaxing and centering the mind. Breathe. Have fun with others while learning the ancient practice of yoga and meditation to harmonize the mind, body and spirit. This is a multi-level class and mats are provided. Held at the Rye Library, Rye. 2015, 9:00-10:30 a.m.

Fee: \$66 (4 classes)





Week 5, July 20-24, Ocean Commotion



Week 6, July 27-31, Pirates Gold Rush Ahoy, Mateys! Come help us find hidden treasure, play pirate games, and learn about the pirates who sailed the seven seas.

Week 7, August 3-7, Nature Exploration

Who wouldn't want to be outside? Learn about the great outdoors, build forts and fairy houses and more. Come, discover, and help keep our environment beautiful.

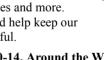
Week 8, August 10-14, Around the World

in 5 Days Travel to places like Spain, China, Brazil and Egypt. Try their customs, eat their food, play their games and more. Become a cultural connoisseur!

YOUTH YOGA CAMP provides a fun,

empowering, educational and creative boosting experience. Enjoy yoga and other activities daily that build your body, mind and spirit. Instruction is provided by Magnolia Barrett, a Rye native, and certified Yoga Instructor. Held in the cafeteria at Rye Junior High School. Participants should bring a snack and drink each day. Week 1, July 13-17, 2015 Entering Grades 6-8, Girls, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Week 2, July 20-24, 2015 Entering Grades K-2, Co-ed, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Entering Grades 3-5, Co-ed, 1:00-4:00 p.m. Fee: \$100/wk, includes yoga mat











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YOUTH GROUP GOLF LESSONS are provided by Pease Golf Course. These co-ed lessons are focused on 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 13-17, 2015

Entering Grades K-4, 8:00-8:45 a.m.; Entering Grades 5-12, 9:00-10:00 a.m. Week 2. August 3-7. 2015

Entering Grades K-4, 8:00-8:45 a.m.; Entering Grades 5-12, 9:00-10:00 a.m. Fee: \$70/wk, clubs available if needed.

WOMEN'S GROUP GOLF LESSONS are provided by Ford Sullivan, Certified PGA Instructor. Each session will cover set-up, ۣ ۿ full swing, pitching, chipping, putting and bunkers. Held at Pease Golf Course, 200 Grafton Road, Portsmouth, NH, rain or shine. Tuesdays, July 21, 28, August 4, 11, 2015, 5:30-6:30 p.m. Fee: \$135 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 20-24, 2015, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Fee: \$195/wk, 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, June 30, July 7, 14, 21, 2015, 6:00-7:00 p.m. Session 2, Tuesdays, July 28, August 4, 11, 18, 2015, 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 entering grade 6 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, June 30, July 7, 14, 21, 2015, 6:00-7:00 p.m. Session 2, Tuesdays, July 28, August 4, 11, 18, 2015, 6:00-7:00 p.m. Fee: \$140 per session (4 lessons), equipment provided.

BASKETBALL CAMP instruction is provided by Anne Haky, Head Women's Basketball Coach and Physical Education Teacher for Windham High and former player for Wilmington College in Ohio. Held at Rye Elementary School. Participants should bring a snack and drink each day.

Registrations received after June 1st are not guaranteed a t-shirt. Week 1, July 6 - 10, 2015

Entering Grades 1-5 Girls, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Entering Grades 1-2 Boys, 12:30-3:30 p.m.

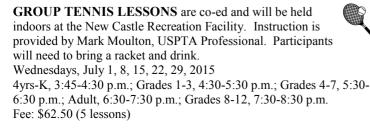
Week 2, July 13-17, 2015

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.

Fee: \$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 at Rve Congregational Church, 580 Washington Road, Rye. Campers attending more than one session need to bring a snack and drink each day. Participants do not take LEGOs home. Session 1, LEGO Robotics and Engineering Using LEGO Power

Functions and Mindstorms Robotics, participants will construct a variety of motorized machines and robotics. Many projects will be available including cars, a battle-tank, and a power crane. July 27-31, 2015, Entering Grades 1-6, 12:30-2:30 p.m.

·· Session 2, LEGO Minecraft Explore the amazing world of Minecraft with LEGO! Participants will construct a Minecraft Micro World by creating and customizing their own Minecraft Village complete with houses and crops.

July 27-31, 2015, Entering Grades 1-6, 2:30-4:30 p.m. Fee: \$85 for one session, \$160 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, Rye. Participants should bring a snack and drink each day. Prior to arrival each day, apply bug spray and sunscreen.

August 3-7, 2015, Entering Grades 2-6, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Fee: \$125/wk

BRITISH SOCCER CAMP instruction is provided by Challenger Sports, British coaches. Innovative practices, fun games and cultural education sets this camp apart. Held at the Rye Recreation Area, 55 Recreation Road, Rye, rain or shine. Participants should bring a snack and drink each day. Prior to arrival

each day, apply bug spray and sunscreen. Host a coach and gain a cultural experience to remember, plus receive an \$80 reimbursement from Challenger Sports. July 27-31, 2015

4 yrs - Entering K, Co-ed, 12:30-2:00 p.m.; Entering Grades 1-8, Co-ed, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Fee: 4 yrs - Entering K: \$80/wk, includes t-shirt

Entering Grades 1-8: \$135/wk, includes t-shirt

TETRA-BRAZIL SOCCER CAMP instruction is provided by Challenger Sports, Brazilian coaches. Participants will have the opportunity to experience first-hand the kind of soccer training that has made Brazil the most successful soccer nation in the world. Held at the Rye Recreation Area, 55 Recreation Road, Rye, rain or shine.

Participants should bring a snack and drink each day. Prior to arrival each day, apply bug spray and sunscreen. Host a coach and gain a cultural experience to remember, plus receive an \$80 reimbursement from Challenger Sports. August 10-14, 2015

Entering Grades 2-8, Co-ed, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Fee: \$155/wk, includes t-shirt

SKATEBOARD CAMPS are provided by Rye Airfield. These co-ed lessons are taught by RAMP CAMP instructors. Held at Rye Airfield, 170 Lafayette Road, Rye. Helmets, knee pads, elbow pads and board required (rentals are available for an additional fee). Open to Rye and New Castle residents only. Week 1, July 6-10; Week 2, July 13-17; Week 3, July 20-24; Week 4, July 27-31; Week 5, August 3-7; Week 6, August 10-14, 2015. Entering Grades 3-8, 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Fee: \$199/wk

2015-2016 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.





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It's Summer Time at Rye Public Library!

Our newest electronic resource Zinio offers full layout magazines on your phone or tablet for the beach! Our website www.ryepubliclibrary.org and your library card are all you need. Of course we'll always have print books and magazines too. Remember our Summer Music Series in June, July and August!

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).

6/16 Enrique's Journey by Sonia Nozario	8/18 The Orchardist by Amada Coplin
7/21 Me Before You by JoJo Moyes	

RPL Wednesday Matinee Series

Movies and popcorn on Wednesday afternoons at 1:00 pm! State of the art projection system!

6/3	Birdman R 119 min	7/22	Into The Woods PG 125 min
6/10	Imitation Game PG-13 114 min	7/29	Cake R 102 min
6/17	Big Eyes PG-13 106 min	8/5	American Sniper R 132 min
6/24	Selma PG-13 128 min	8/12	Mr. Turner R 150 min
7/1	Interstellar PG-13 169 min	8/19	Hector & Search For Happiness R 114 min
7/8	The Longest Ride PG-13 139 min	8/26	Whiplash R 107 min
7/15	Still Alice PG-13 101 min		

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

Drawing Together Sketchbook Group:

Every Tuesday beginning at 9 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 12:30 pm in the Community Meeting Room. Learn and play American style Mah Jongg with this enthusiastic group Military Book Discussions: First Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm. 6/5, 7/3, 8/7

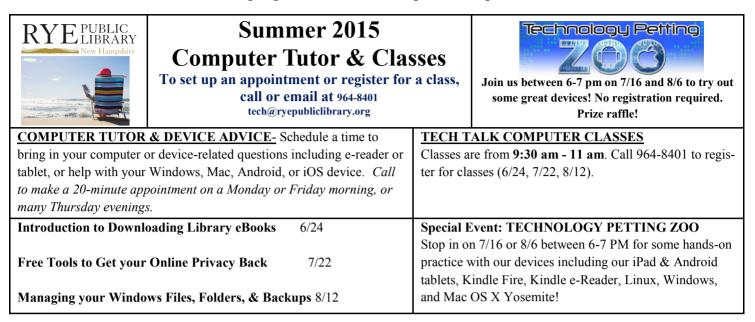
Monday afternoon senior visits to the library with pick up by the Rye Senior SERVE van. Please call the library if interested in joining the group! Schedule will be determined based on response and weather considerations. *Sponsored by the Friends of the Rye Public Library*

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

Children's Museum of NH, Dover	Museum of Science, Boston MA
Currier Museum of Art, Manchester	Strawberry Banke, Portsmouth
Historic New England	Ogunquit Museum of Art, ME
Isabella Stewart Gardner Museum, Boston MA	Peabody Essex Museum, Salem, MA
Portland Museum of Art, Portland, ME Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA	Seacoast Science Center, Rye NH State Parks parking pass

Museum Passes Donated by the Friends of the Rye Public Library

FRIENDS OF THE RYE PUBLIC LIBRARY New members welcome! Monthly meetings resume in Sept. (2nd Tues @ 6pm) Watch for 2015/16 Programs sponsored by the Friends of the Rye Public Library All programs are free and open to the public!



Rye Public Library Youth Department 2015 Summer Programming June – August / Call the library to sign up @ 964-8401 More Details: ryepubliclibrary.org

Youth Programs:

Superhero Kickoff Party! June 23rd 6:30 – 7:30pm **Story Time for Toddlers & Preschoolers** Wednesdays 11:00 - 11:30am Story Time at the Farmer's Market (All Ages) Wednesdays June 24th –Sept. 30th 2:30 – 3:00pm Mother Goose Story Time (Birth to 24 Months) Fridays 10:00 - 10:30 pm (not on 7/22) Practice Reading with a Labrador Retriever Thursdays Jun. 25-Aug. 6 9:45 - 10:45am (no 7/16) Lego Mania Thursdays June 25th - August 6th 11:00am – 12:00pm **Guessing Jar Fun!** Begins July 6th; Winner announced July 13th Video Games: Harry Potter, Star Wars July 13th, July 27th 11:00am **Triple Ticket Thursdays: Win Weekly Prizes!** June 25th - August 6th

Family Movies Check Website for Feature Films Fridays June 26th - July 31st 3:00pm **Book Bites Book Club (Grades 3-5)** June 22, July 6, July 20, August 3 2:30 – 3:15pm **Rye Community Heroes (Police, Fire)** July 7th 6:30-7:30pm **NHSPCA Animal Heroes** July 14th 6:30-7:30pm **Chris Rose: Cookies and Milk Story Time** July 21st 6:30 - 7:30pm Heroes and Hercules: Greek Hero Performance July 28th 6:30pm - 7:30pm **Magician Norman Ng - FINALE!** August 4th 6:30 - 7:30pm For weekly Hero themes, check our website! Superheroes! Animal Heroes! Mythological Heroes! Kid heroes! Community Heroes! Tall-Tale Heroes

Please view our website at <u>ryepubliclibrary.org</u>, or call us @ 964-8401 for an expanded list of programming and events, and to check dates and times; not all programs above will run through August.

Heritage Commission Message

The mission statement of the Rve Heritage Commission [RHC] calls upon its members to promote "the preservation, protection and recognition of the town's historical and cultural resources and locations "

How did your RHC perform this past year?

In 2014, the RHC supported completion of the construction, installation and dedication of the 1614 monument at Rve Harbor State Park at Ragged Neck Point. Captain John Smith (1580-1631) mapped the coastline from Cape Cod up to Penobscot Bay, including the Isles of Shoals which he called "Smith's Iles". His recognition of the New England coast's blessings of abundant seafood and vast resources attracted many Englishmen to migrate to our shores in the mid-1600's.

We launched a "Save a Graveyard" program with volunteers to assume responsibilities for four of our sixty-five private burial grounds and will be hosting hands-on educational programs of cleaning gravestones and maintaining sites in the summer.

However, in 2015, the RHC failed to preserve the historic South School on Central Road from demolition for private site development, even after a public hearing by the Demolition Review Committee. There was imperceptible attendance by the public in opposition to the tear down of a Rye historical treasure. Although the owners of the building were agreeable to allowing it to be moved, there was no one who came forward to save this building from the wrecking ball.

In March of 2015, we lost Warrant Article Five for the restoration of the Rye Town Hall and

construction of an annex, by a resounding negative vote of a majority of those 1500 citizens who expressed their opinions. This was after more than six years of study, a quarter of a million dollars in costs and thousands long anticipated arrival, many resiof volunteer hours. The rehabilitation of the Rye Town Hall was planned with due respect for the Secretary of the Interior Standards to give a historical building new life mit from the town. This permit can while preserving its defining characteristics. "Repair rather than replace" was the mantra of the Town Hall on the ground floor of the Town Of-Committee, which mission was advo- fice Building. cated by the Heritage Commission. The positives of the project are pow- proposed to be located along town erful. The public events to explain roadways are required to be located the plans and costs associated with this well-vetted undertaking were limits. If requested, the Public poorly attended. The Rye Heritage Commission failed in its mission to educate the electorate for the preser- the Director not be able to locate the vation of this cultural gem in the heart of our community. Historical preservation benefits a community with neighborhood revitalization, Hampshire licensed land surveyor to economic vitality of the center of determine the appropriate fence lotown and appreciation of the community's heritage. We are stewards of our landmarks. To read the Board of ways (ROW) can be held without a Selectmen's current charge to the mentioning of what the Town's polnew Town Hall Committee that they icy is relative to damage to strucare to consider tearing down Rye tures and landscaping located within Town Hall and possibly building a the town's ROW limits. The only replica is dismaying to almost all of structures which the town allows the seven members and four alter- residents to locate within the right of nates of the Rye Heritage Commission. This is an endangered property in the hands of those who choose to must meet town regulation relative develop without care for irreplaceable New Hampshire iconic land- ment, and construction method. As marks

citizens do not speak out, the dramatic trend of loss of these historic reimbursed, or repaired, if damaged buildings will irreversibly change the landscape of the town we each cher- during performance of normal mainish.

> Mae Bradshaw, Chair Rye Heritage Commission

Message from Public Works

Now that spring has made its dents are installing or upgrading their fences and walls. Installation or replacement of fences, stonewalls and retaining walls all require a perbe obtained from the Code Enforcement Officer whose office is located

Walls and fences which are outside of the right of way (ROW) Works Director will endeavor to locate the limits of the ROW. Should limits, or if a resident is not satisfied with the limits delineated, the resident should contract with a New cation.

No discussion of right of way, without written approval, is mailboxes. Even then mailboxes to height, distance from road pavesuch, other than for mailboxes, If the voters of Rye and its structures located within the town's right of way will not be replaced, by town maintenance equipment tenance activities. Further, mailboxes will be repaired or replaced only if actually struck by town equipment, rather than by thrown

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snow; and replacement will be with a wood post and standard black metal mailbox.

> Dennis McCarthy Public Works Director



Make compost!

Rye's Food Scrap Collection program is NOW OPEN TO ALL RESIDENTS.

With the help of Mr. Fox Composting, Rye may be the first municipality in all of New Hampshire to have such a program. It is estimated that of the 1,200+ tons of trash our town sends to the landfill each year roughly 25% is composed of kitchen waste and food scraps. With this program we have the opportunity to greatly increase our rate of recycling.

If you are not already composting your food waste at home, we encourage you to participate! With this program, we can keep food waste out of landfill, while at the same time lower methane emissions and return nutrients to the soil – all by collecting it and turning this material into compost.

<u>**It's EASY! – all you need to</u>** <u>**do is:**</u> Find a receptacle (5 gallon bucket works well or recycle a kittylitter bucket which the Recycling Center has on hand) and line it with either a compostable bag (13 gallon size works well for a 5 Gallon bucket) or just use a paper grocery bag. Collect all the scraps off your plate and in the kitchen - produce, starches and even dairy, meats, bones</u> fish, shellfish are ok for industrial composting. Please remove any stickers from produce. Paper-towels that have not come into contact with chemicals (green cleaners are OK), napkins, compostable plant-base packaging, tea bags, corks, coffee filters, stirrers and grounds can also go into this food-scrap collection. Bring your bucket of food scraps to the recycling center with each trip.



ng center with each trip. To date Mr. Fox has diverted over seven million pounds of food waste away from landfill. More information is available

here: <u>http://www.town.rye.nh.us/</u> <u>pages/ryenh_rec/index</u> (see *Food Scrap Collection*) or ask Alan about this program.



(Flag Day June 14th)

Flag retirement

Is your flag tired and torn? Bring your flag in need of replacement to the Recycling Center where they are collected all year to be disposed of with a proper ceremony conducted by Rye's Boy Scouts at our cemetery. See Alan for more information.

The Rye Recycling Education Committee, which still has an opening for one more member, meets at the Rye Public Library each third Tuesday of the month at 6:30 PM. All interested residents are encouraged to attend.

Rye Recycling Education Committee Deidre Smyrnos Joan Provencher John Provencher Lorrie Platt Jozef Platt, Student Member

Conservation Commission Updates

The Conservation Commission has been partnering with Rockingham Conservation, and the Rye 6th grade classes, to plant young apple trees at the Goss Farm. The trees were obtained through a grant from the Piscatagua Garden Club. There was an aging apple orchard on site when the farm was purchased in 2010. The healthy trees were pruned and identified so that we could replace, in kind, the trees that were no longer viable. It took some time to research these heirloom trees as these older varieties are not readily available. We also were fortunate to have a tree that had been grafted in a Rye Energy workshop gifted back to the farm for planting.

The Community Garden which has enjoyed great success for the last few years still has some plots available for Rye residents. We encourage all who are interesting to fill out an application at the Rye Town Hall.

See you at the farm.

Sally King, Chairman Rye Conservation Commission

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION DAY

FOR THE TOWNS OF HAMPTON, HAMPTON FALLS, KENSINGTON, FREMONT, NEW CASTLE, RYE, BRENTWOOD, SANDOWN, NORTH HAMPTON & SOUTH HAMPTON Saturday August 29, 2015 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon Place: Highway Garage



Route 111A 207 Middle Road Brentwood, NH

Driver's License Required as Proof of Residency Quantity Limit per Car: 10 Gallons or 10 Pounds



Summer, 2015 Newsletter

Our 8th Annual Bike Rodeo was held on Saturday, May 9, 2015 in the parking lot of the Rye Congregational

Church with beautiful sunshine and we want to thank everyone that came out. A special thanks to Scott Brown who helped with the bike inspections for Gus' Bike shop by providing support and service to make sure everyone's bikes were inspected and working properly. Thank you to Rye Airfield for being there to support the event. We would like to express gratitude to Hospital/Health Reach Community Education for donating helmets; as well as special appreciation for the goodies and services provided by Philbrick Sports, Pedro's, Rye Congregational Church and the Good Humor Ice Cream truck for stopping by at the right time.





In addition, we would like to say we appreciate all the support and assistance by the Rye Police and Fire Departments, Public Works and Rye Recreation.

The bike rodeo is a great family event for beginners and experienced riders that can come and get their bikes inspected, registered and participate in obstacle courses and decorate your bike to take part in our parade around the Church. At the event bicyclists were educated on the rules of the road so that they can participate in our Annual Bike to School/Work Day and prepare for the riding season.

May 15th was our fifth (5th) Annual Seacoast Bike/Walk to School/Work Day and we had a record turnout at the Rye Elementary school not just for the one day but all week. Great job! This event is part of commute green NH with sponsors from SABR, Gus', RPC and Commute SMART Seacoast. For more information you may visit <u>www.seacoastbikes.org</u>. Breakfasts were held at the Rye Elementary School and the Rye Public Library for all the participants.

Gus' bike shop donated a bike to both the Elementary School and the Junior High to be raffled to a child in each school. Kids who rode their bikes each day of the week of May 11th to the 15th had their names put into the drawing and at



the end of the week the winners were drawn. The winner from the Rye Junior High was Abby McVeigh and the winner from the Rye Elementary School was Anthony Gullion. Congratulations to both students! For more information, visit the Town Website at <u>http://www.town.rye.nh.us/Pages/index</u>.

We hope that everyone has a great summer, rides safely and visits Keep Going at <u>http://www.walkbiketoschool.org/keep-going</u> for year-round bike-to-school resources and tips.

Respectfully submitted, Kimberly Reed, CFM Planning & Zoning Administrator

Town of Rye Board Meetings

June 2015

Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Sunday Mondav Friday Saturdav Selectmen's meetings are held in the Rve Town Hall Courtroom (first floor), 10 Central Road, Other board meetings are also held at Rve 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. 1 2 3 9:00 a.m. Δ 5 6 6:00 p.m. **Rye Water District** 6:30 p.m. Recreation 60 Sagamore Road Heritage Commission Commission 7:00 p.m. Zoning Board of Adjustment 8 12 13 7 10 11 9 8:00 a.m. 6:30 p.m. Sewer Commission Board of Selectmen 7:00 p.m. Planning Board 14 15 17 19 20 16 18 5:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m. **Mosquito Control Rye Water District** Conservation Commission 60 Sagamore Road Commission 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. Technical Review Father's Day Board of Selectmen Committee July 2015 28 29 30 2 3 4 1 9:00 a.m. Rye Water District 6:30 p.m. Heritage Commission Independence Day 60 Sagamore Road Town Offices Closed 7:00 p.m. Zoning Board of Adjustment 10 7 11 5 6 8 9 6:00 p.m. Recreation Commission 12 17 13 14 15 16 18 6:30 p.m. 8:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m. Conservation Sewer Commission **Rve Water District** Board of Selectmen 7:00 p.m. 60 Sagamore Road Commission Planning Board 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 5:00 p.m. **Mosquito Control** Commission 28 26 27 29 30 31 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m. Board of Selectmen Technical Review **Rye Water District** Committee 60 Sagamore Road August 2015 1 2 3 4 7 8 5 6 9:00 a.m. **Rye Water District** 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. Recreation 60 Sagamore Road Heritage Commission 7:00 p.m. **Zoning** Commission Board of Adjustment 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 6:30 p.m. 8.00 a m Sewer Commission Board of Selectmen 7:00 p.m. Planning Board 16 17 20 21 22 18 19 5:00 p.m. 9:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m. Mosquito Control **Rye Water District** Conservation Commission 60 Sagamore Road Commission 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. Board of Selectmen **Technical Review** Committee 30 31

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

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



The Rye Farmers' Market begins its 7th year on Wednesday, June 24th. Our markets are every Wednesday, 2:30-5:30 p.m., in the parking lot beside the Congregational Church. All our "regulars" will be back: Applecrest Orchard Farms, Zach's Farm, Mel's Farm, Sidewalk Farms and maybe a few more fruit and vegetable vendors. Two new vendors are Churchill's Gardens and Isles of Shoals Organic Body Products. We also have a few new bakers in the Rye group. We will continue to have our Children's Corner where there will be reading every market, 2:30-3:00 p.m. and, of course, our musicians.

If you're interested in being a vendor, or have any questions, please contact Susan Anderson at <u>sorazi3@comcast.net</u>. See you at the market!

Rye Farmers' Market Committee

Town of Rye RYE, NH 03870



Lifeguards for the 2015 Season

The Town of Rye is seeking responsible individuals to join its Safety Patrol Staff of Certified Lifeguards for the 2015 summer season. Applicants must be certified in lifeguard training and CPR. Must be able to pass a background check and a physical agility test. Start mid-June through Labor Day. 5 days a week, including week-ends. Competitive hourly rate. Applications available online at <u>www.town.rye.nh.us</u> or call (603) 964-6411 to request one.

Please send application with current certifications to the Town of Rye Fire & Rescue, Attn: Chief Lambert, 555 Washington Road, Rye, NH 03870, or email <u>tlambert@town.rye.nh.us</u>.

A Reminder from Rye Fire & Rescue

A reminder to all residents of the Town of Rye Ordinance pertaining to House & Building Numbering. All Buildings in the Town are to display a street number issued by the Building Inspector.

Remember, if the ambulance crew members or the police officer in the cruiser cannot see your house number....they cannot find you and the emergency assistance that you are in need of could be delayed.

Please contact Rye Fire at 964-6411 if you have questions or would like a copy of the ordinance.

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