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Selectmen's Message:

WINTER STORM STELLA'S AFTERMATH, NEW AMBULANCE AND PARKING METERS

During the weekend prior to our March 14th Town Meeting voting day, Town Moderator Bob Eaton became increasingly concerned as he followed the progress of approaching nor'easter Stella with blizzard forecasts of up to two feet of snow. He consulted RSA 40:4 which clearly empowers town moderators with the ability to postpone an election due to weather emergency. By Monday, Bob had conferred with other area town moderators, the New Hampshire Municipal Association, our Town Attorney and the Board of Selectmen before postponing our election to Saturday, March 18th. Nearly 80 other towns also postponed their elections due to the storm.

Meanwhile, the offices of the Attorney General, the Secretary of State and the Governor cited RSA 669 which states that "all towns shall hold an election annually for the election of town officers on the second Tuesday of March".

We supported Moderator Eaton's decision to postpone the election out of concern for safety and advertised the change of date. It should be remembered that members of the Town Clerk's office staff were present at the Rye Elementary School polling location during the Tuesday blizzard in order to provide absentee ballots to any voters who were unaware of the postponement and had fought their way through the storm in anticipation of voting.

The conflict in New Hampshire law and the resulting confusion with regard to the legality of voting results from a postponed election left the State in need of a means to ratify the outcomes in those towns with delayed voting, particularly with regard to elected officials and bond

article votes.

On Friday, March 24th Governor Sununu signed HB 329 which ratified all elections of persons to any elected town or school position. In addition, it states that the governing body may ratify all other "actions, votes or proceedings" by following the process outlined in the bill. This process includes a public hearing, properly noticed at least 72 hours in advance, posted in both newspaper and on the website. The governing body may then vote to "legalize, ratify and confirm" the actions taken at the postponed session.

A public hearing to ratify our March 18th Town ballot voting in accordance with HB 329 was held on May 22nd. Although not required, this process serves to avoid a challenge not only to bond issues but to approval of zoning ordinances and collective bargaining agreements. Ratification through this process applies to the Town ballot through action taken by the Board of Selectmen. The School ballot ratification can be achieved only through separate action by the School Board.

School Board Committee:

Following the passage of a warrant article in March, the School Board is in the process, in consultation with the Board of Selectmen, of setting up a committee to evaluate several alternatives in the face of declining school enrollment trends. The alternatives include consolidation of the two schools, partial use of one school for other public purposes, and potential added use of Rye's schools by other SAU communities for educational purposes. Formation of the committee is expected in June, and a report is due to the Town by the end of the year. The work of

this committee is critically important to the future of the Town of Rye from multiple perspectives.

BOS Reorganization:

Following the March election, reorganization and individual assignments of members of the Board of Selectmen took place without Joe Mills for the first time since 1992. We thank him for his service and wish him well.

Newly elected Selectman Phil Winslow was seated for his first BOS meeting on March 27th. For the upcoming year, Craig Musselman will serve as BOS Chairman and Priscilla Jenness as Vice-Chair. Selectman Musselman will also represent the Board on the Heritage Commission and a School Committee formed as the result of approval of Article 3 on the School Warrant created to look at declining enrollment in our schools. Selectman Jenness will continue as representative to the Planning Board and Selectman Winslow will serve as representative on the Budget Committee. At the suggestion of the 2016 CIP Committee, Craig also plans to attend one or two CIP Committee meetings during its proceedings to provide insight into long range considerations of the Town.

'No Means No':

Our first task following each March election is to prioritize warrant articles passed by voters and work to carry them out. In 2017, although voters approved articles required to maintain the current level of Town services regarding the Fire Department, the Police Department and the Department of Public Works, all Town Hall articles for which the BOS would have had responsibility failed, one perhaps with unintended consequences.

Petition Article 30 asked \$500,000 to repair, refurbish and improve the Town Hall to the extent possible. It failed; and with that action the Town may be precluded from spending taxpayer dollars on items included within the warrant article according to RSA 32:10, I (e). The effect of the law, often referred to as the 'no means no'

NO SPRAY

Residents who do not want their property treated for mosquitoes must contact Dragon Mosquito Control by sending an email to info@dragonmosquito.com. Be sure to include your name, physical address, phone number and a description of your property with boundaries OR visit their website at www.DragonMosquito.com and click on the "No-Spray Registry" tab to register your No-Spray request online. Residents who would like to have their stagnant water checked for mosquitoes may call Dragon's office at 734-4144 or email info@dragonmosquito.com. There is no charge for this service. Contact Dragon Mosquito for more information on spray dates, location, materials used, precautions and other concerns.

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provision, is that no amount may be transferred to, or spent for, the purpose of a separate warrant article that has been defeated. Whether this precludes maintenance on the building is a question that is being pursued.

Staff Changes:

Two staff changes have been made since the last newsletter. On March 16th, we appointed Russ Bookholz as fill-in Deputy Building Inspector. This position was approved solely for the purpose of providing the services of a building inspector when Building Inspector Peter Rowell is unavailable.

On the 27th of March, we appointed Carissa Preneveau as a full time police officer. She is a native of Salem, NH and a graduate of the University of Massachusetts at Amherst with a degree in anthropology.

Transportation Advisory Committee:

In March, we received the resignation of Art Ditto as Rye Representative on the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC), which is part of the Rockingham Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), a federally designated entity that administers the urban planning process for Rockingham County and its 27 communities. Arthur missed only one meeting in three years and kept the BOS informed on project progress with an emphasis on those projects related to Route 1.

We are fortunate to have another resident come forward to take on this responsibility. We received a letter of interest from Gregg Mikolaities in April. Gregg is a 25 year resident of Rye, a Professional Civil Engineer for more than 35 years and a long time participant in Town government having served on a number of committees and commissions over the years. He is currently a member of the Recreation Commission. We are pleased to accept Gregg's offer to serve the Town as our representative to the TAC/MPO.

Search for Full Time Fire Chief:

The lengthy discussions with Portsmouth Fire Department officials regarding staffing and fire services in 2016 ultimately led the Board of Selectmen to move ahead with a search for a full time Fire Chief for Rye. We turned to Municipal Resources, Inc. (MRI) which specializes in public sector recruitment as we have used MRI services successfully in the past.

On May 10th, Alan Gould, former Rye Town Administrator and currently MRI Chief Operating Officer, presented the services, approach and

process employed by MRI for the task at hand which begins with knowledge of the client's community in order to tailor the process to its specific needs and expectations. The MRI process will screen a broad number of applicants and ultimately the BOS will make the final selection. The proposal to complete this recruitment is at cost as Alan is donating his time.

Harbor Road Bridge:

Rye has only one bridge and its need for repair has been noted in our CIP for the past four years. Review of the Hoyle, Tanner & Associates, Inc. Harbor Road Bridge Assessment presented on May 10th updated the Preliminary Inspection & Load Rating Report of August 24, 2016.

The Usage Vehicle Load Rating results categorize the Harbor Road Bridge as a "5" or "fair", midway between a 9/ new and a 0/close. It is seriously in need of repair and will be reposted downward in keeping with the 15 tons recommendation in the Hoyle, Tanner Report.

This bridge is the only access to approximately 20 homes and is used to deliver rocks to reinforce the seawall, provide delivery of various emergency and other services as well as serve as ingress and egress for ordinary family vehicles.

Review of the Hoyle, Tanner Repair/Replacement Option Summary led to a vote by the Board to approve Option 1: Superstructure Repair which is estimated to provide 15 years of service life at a cost of \$75,000 (\$50,000:construction/\$25,000:engineering). Also included in the vote was the decision to contract with Hoyle, Tanner to continue engineering work.

At the Beach:

In an effort to understand the collective impact of beach use requests for lessons and other group activities prior to making any decisions, we set the date for receipt of Beach Use Applications as March 1st. Police Chief Kevin Walsh manages the application process which includes completeness of information including valid insurance.

This year two former applicants did not apply, we approved one new applicant and one application was denied. Overall use did not increase.

Parking Meter Installation:

In April, due to a mix-up at the New Hampshire Department of Transportation, we received a letter dated October 3, 2016 from NHDOT Commissioner Victoria Sheehan responding to our request for permission to further explore the feasibility of parking meter installation.

After conferring with the NH

attorney general, Commissioner Sheehan determined that parking meters could be approved for NH 1-A. However, citing the Tighe & Bond Report and the John M. Burke Study which indicated that the installation of metered parking would reduce the overall number of available parking spaces, they were not willing to approve the installation of parking meters.

Commissioner Sheehan indicated that her department would be willing to participate in discussions with the Department of Resources and Economic Development (DRED) to assist in identifying opportunities to mitigate congestion and expand off-street parking. We will seek a meeting with DOT and DRED. In preparation for discussion of improvements to the 1-A corridor and the possibility of satellite parking, Chief Walsh and DPW Director McCarthy have been asked to compile a list of safety issues.

Also:

With approval of Warrant Articles 11, 13 and 15, the Board ratified the contract agreements made through collective bargaining with all three of our Town labor unions: Teamsters Local 633, the Professional Fire Fighters Association of Rye and the Rye Police Association. Each contract is a three year agreement.

Two ad hoc committees have been continued for another year. The Charge to the Recycling Education Committee was reviewed. This committee has worked to develop new ways to encourage recycling. This committee is seeking additional members. The Charge to the Beach Committee was also reviewed and renewed. In 2016, the Beach Committee worked to provide visitor data. During the upcoming season, the Board has requested added focus on the Wallis Sands Beach area.

For the first time within our collective memory, this spring we had an instance in which we had two individuals requesting appointment to a single opening on a Town Commission. At this writing, after reviewing our current appointment policy as well as the policies of neighboring towns, we are in the process of a revision in order to avoid recurrence of this situation. We have never before experienced an excess of volunteers.

Parsonage:

Following receipt of the report from the Parsonage Committee appointed by the Board of Selectmen in 2016, discussions are underway on privately financed capital improvements needed for the existing low income housing units at the Parsonage building adjacent to the

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Rye Public Library. If such improvements are deemed to be financially feasible, a short term lease extension will be necessary prior to the end of the current lease in 2019. The Town receives payments in lieu of taxes, the facility is privately financed and operated, and housing units are provided at affordable rates.

New Ambulance:

In April, Fire Chief Lambert announced that our new ambulance had arrived and that it would require a couple of weeks to outfit it. It should be remembered that this purchase (\$264,109) will not be reflected in your 2017 tax bill because, at the suggestion of former selectman Joe Mills, income from the cell tower off of Grove Road is dedicated to ambulance purchases.

On January 23, 2017, the Board voted "to retain the existing ambulance as a second ambulance and utilize the medical equipment that is in the fire apparatus currently to equip it". Statistics presented at that meeting indicated a concurrent request for medical aid occurs approximately 10% of the time.

Congratulations:

Congratulations to the Rye Fire Department. On May 18th, at the EMS Appreciation Banquet hosted by Portsmouth Regional Hospital, the Rye Fire Department was named EMS Agency of the Year.

We wish you and your family a happy and safe summer.

Board of Selectmen,

Craig Musselman, Chairman
Priscilla Jenness, Vice-Chairman
Phil Winslow, Selectman

Assessing Department Valuation Update

Municipal Resources, Inc. (MRI) has been continuing its efforts related with the 2017 town wide revaluation. Below is an update of our activities and the process.

MRI will use the sale of properties from April 1, 2015 through March 1, 2017 as the starting point to establish new values. All qualified sales in this period will be visited by MRI staff to ensure that the most accurate information is utilized in determining values. Letters were sent to property owners who were not home at the time of the initial inspection and

additional letters requesting inspection will be sent in the next few weeks. It is important that the revaluation team from MRI are allowed to perform a complete interior and exterior inspection of these sale properties to assure an equitable assessment for all. We appreciate your assistance with this effort.

Income and expense questionnaires have been sent to all commercial and rental properties in an effort to establish the market rents in the community. These forms request income and expense information pertaining only to the rental of property and the information reported is confidential and will not be accessible to the public.

A drive by field review of all properties in town is currently underway. This quality check of the current property information ensures accuracy and allows MRI staff to review the different neighborhoods for consistency as compared to the sale properties. This process should be completed by the end of June.

In early July, once all properties and data have been analyzed, a letter will be sent to all property owners containing the property's newly established preliminary value. If desired, property owners will have an opportunity to schedule an informal hearing with MRI staff to discuss the preliminary value. Information will be available so that property owners can verify the information on their property, compare their property to other comparable properties and ask questions about the revaluation process. Once the informal hearings are complete, final values will be presented to the Board of Selectmen in late August for approval.

If you have a question about the revaluation please contact the assessing office and a MRI representative will get in touch with you.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Paul R. McKenney CMA, CNHA
Contract Assessor
Municipal Resources Inc.

Planning Board News

Over the past several months the Planning Board has been involved in a number of activities. Since the election in March new members of the Rules and Regulations, Long Range Planning and Technical Review have been assigned and have begun to work on various issues that concern the town's zoning ordinance and

building code, land use regulations and master plan. When and if there are new or modified regulations coming out of these committees they will go to the full Planning Board and then scheduled for public hearings. Please keep an eye on the town website for more information as it becomes available.

You probably have noticed that Eversource is once again in town trimming trees from power lines. As all roads in Rye are designated as scenic roads any trimming or removal of trees must come before the Planning Board before work can begin. This work will continue until the task is completed.

We have had some routine applications come before the board because of "change of use". One is the former Periwinkles Children's Store on Sagamore Road that is now a real estate office. Another is the former Serenity Café at the round-about on Sagamore Road which is going to be a café and market.

On the site development side, we are still in negotiations with the developer of 421 South Rd. As most of you are aware, this is an extremely complicated project that has been under review for several months. More exploratory work is being done at the site and the review will continue.

One application of note is a proposal for a multi-family development on Airfield Drive next to the White Birch housing. Rye has ordinances on the books for so called "work force housing" and this would, if approved, fall under those ordinances. They may be found in the Rye Zoning Ordinance, Section 402 Multi-Family Dwellings & Multi-Family Developments and Section 403 Conservation Land Developments (CLD's) on the town website www.town.rye.nh.us.

The Planning Board has seen a concept of the project in 2016. The application process will start in June.

Respectfully submitted,
Bill Epperson, Chairman
Rye Planning Board

Message from the Police Chief

Rye Police and area police departments are taking identity theft and scam reports from residents. The person committing the crime may contact you in person; by phone, postal mail/e-mail, or through the internet to try to trick you into


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giving out personal information. To avoid falling victim to scams, watch the news and read the newspapers. The Federal Trade Commission offers information on tips about current scams. Go to consumer.ftc.gov and click on "Scam Alerts." For internet scam updates, go to the Internet Crime Complaint Center site at ic3.gov and click on the "Alerts" link. Another helpful web site for Internal Revenue Service scams is irs.gov/Individuals/Identity-Protection. The Rye Police and Rye Library have free booklets that help you understand how identity theft occurs, what steps you can take to protect your personal information, and what to do if it happens to you.

Dogs on Rye Beaches: Starting on May 27th, (the Saturday before Memorial Day) and ending September 9th (the Saturday after Labor Day), dogs are not allowed on the beaches 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. You **SHALL** carry your dog waste bag with you at all times. You cannot put your waste bag down, continue walking and come back later to remove the dog waste bag. This is new to the Town of Rye Littering Ordinance.

Beach parking advice: When you get your 2017 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. Parking enforcement will ticket vehicles without a sticker. If your permit is lost or stolen, the Town Clerk will not issue you a new sticker unless you come to the Rye Police Department to file a report.

 Please remember that 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 be a Rye resident and extinguish the fire before leaving the beach. **NO FIRE SHALL BE BUILT ON ANY SAND AREA OF ANY BEACH. THE PERSON WHO SIGNS FOR THE PERMIT MUST STAY WITH THE BEACH FIRE. ALL FIRES MUST BE EXTINGUISHED BEFORE MIDNIGHT. THE PERSON WHO SIGNS THE BEACH PERMIT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL LITTER LEFT BEHIND.**

Bicycles: All bicyclists should ride single file. Please remember that if your children are under the age of 16, they must wear a helmet. Skateboards and rollerblades on Rye Public Highways, sidewalks, and commons within the Town of Rye are prohibited. The Police Chief and Selectmen may designate certain streets, roads and ways upon which skateboards and rollerblades may be permitted. The main roads (Washington Road, Wallis Road, Sagamore Road, Central Road, South Road, Locke Road, Harbor Road and Ocean Blvd) are streets the Police Chief and Selectmen do not want this type of recreational activity taking place on for safety reasons.

Seals on the beach: Summer time is the time for baby seals to come up on our beaches. Some tips from our partners at the Seacoast Science Center are to stay 150 feet away, keep dogs away, do not offer food or water, do not pour water on seals, do not cover seals with towels or blankets, do not touch or move seals. Call 603-997-9448 to report the seal's location. A mother seal may abandon the baby seal if people are in the area. It is normal activity for seals to come up on beaches. It does not always mean they are in distress.

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

Kevin Walsh
Chief of Police

Historic District Commission Message

The Historic District, in the center of Town, survived the latest onslaught of electioneering signs this past March and is now back to normal. By the time that you read this, the trees will be in full bloom and the flowers will be abundant. Nothing better than summer in Rye. The only problem is that every relative, friend, and acquaintance knows this also and will be clamoring to schedule their annual visit to your home this summer.

I'm sure that you feel the same pride in showing your visitors around our beautiful Town and the surrounding seacoast area as I do. That said we all do our "mea culpa" when we drive through our Town Historic District and by our iconic Town Hall that pleads for attention. We stumble over our explanation of why it is in such a state of disrepair. We blame the Town leadership, the Historic District

Commission, the Heritage Commission, the past Town Hall Committees, the ultra thrifty Town voters, etc. but most of us absolve ourselves from any responsibility. In the future, I encourage us all to take responsibility for the Town Hall. Let's put our individual biases aside and work toward a solution that balances maintaining the historic character of the Town, providing an effective & safe working environment for our Town employees, and delivering a cost effective solution to the problem. Easier said than done, but doable if we really put our minds to it.

Phil Winslow, Past Chair
Historic District Commission

News from the Fire & Rescue Department

The Fire Department put the new ambulance in-service on May 5th after many months of design and planning, plan acceptance, manufacturing, equipment installation, familiarization and training, none of which would have been possible without the continued support of the townspeople, Board of Selectmen and the Budget and CIP Committees.

This unit is state-of-the-art; with modular construction, LED lighting, liquid spring suspension and touch screen electronic control panels. The most outstanding feature is the power load cot lifting system. This unit hydraulically lifts the patient and stretcher into the ambulance. We are hoping with this new feature it will ease patient care and reduce potential injury to our staff.

On May 18th the Rye Fire Department was recognized as the **EMS Service Unit of the Year (2016)** by the Portsmouth Regional Hospital. The selection for this award came from the Emergency Room Staff. The ballots included many comments on the excellent care and professionalism that our staff shows while providing excellent definitive pre-hospital care.

Also at the Portsmouth Hospital EMS award banquet it was announced that our own **Jacob MacGlashing** was selected by the Emergency Room Staff as the **EMS Provider of the Year**. It was wonderful to see Jake get recognized by his peers for the effort he puts in day in and day out to provide quality pre-hospital care to the residents and visitors to our Town. In addition to the

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outstanding care he provides to the patients he comes in contact with, Jake is also the Department EMS Coordinator helping to oversee the EMS operation, supplies, equipment and training.

A big **THANK YOU** to all of our staff for a job well done and your continued efforts and dedication for the outstanding job you do every day! It does not go unnoticed, especially by the lives you touch with such quality and compassion in the care you deliver.

The process to hire a new full-time Fire Chief has begun. The advertisement has been created and posted with a closing date of June 5th, after which applications and resumes will be reviewed to select a percentage of that group to be sent essay questions. An evaluation of these questions and answers will produce a manageable number of candidates for the next step in the testing process to help match the right person for the job. To further narrow the candidate pool an assessment center will test the candidates' ability to handle different situations they will face as Fire Chief. A final interview will be conducted by the Board of Selectmen and a new Chief will be selected to lead the department. It is hoped to have the process completed and a new chief on board by the beginning of September.

Tom Lambert
Fire Chief

Conservation Commission Update

There are many properties managed by the Rye Conservation Commission (RCC) that are open for public use. The RCC wants to make everyone in Rye aware of these beautiful places and hopes that they will be used and appreciated. To help reach this goal, this is the first of a series in the town newsletter that will feature a new property each edition. This edition's featured property is **Cedar Run Woods** at the end of Cedar Run Road. Cedar Run Woods is a 27.5 acre tract that was purchased by the Conservation Commission in March, 2016. The RCC purchased this land to protect Rye's water supply since it is in the Wellhead Protection Area as well as for public recreation. There is a small parking lot at the end of Cedar Run Road that accommodates 4-5 cars. There is an old woods road that runs through the property and which offers

easy walking. The property is a lovely forest with a mix of softwoods and hardwoods. There are numerous stone walls throughout the forest that take the imagination back to the days when Rye was first settled. The woods road goes about a half mile until it crosses into private property. The private property is prominently posted with No Trespassing signs so please respect this and turn around at this point. The property is on Cedar Run Road which is the first left off South Road east of the intersection of West Road and South Road. Motorized vehicle use is prohibited.

The Conservation Commission has engaged forester Charles Moreno to update the Forest Management Plan for the town forest. The RCC had a site walk through the forest with Mr. Moreno recently so that he could point out various aspects of the forest, its health and its uses. We plan to invite the Appalachian Mountain Club to advise us on how to best deal with the sections of trails that are wet and which are being damaged by foot and bike traffic. The forest management plan will look at the health of the forest to create a strategy to keep it in a healthy state and will also develop recommendations to manage public use within the provisions of the property easement. The RCC welcomes public input and plans to have a public walking tour of the town forest with Mr. Moreno to help educate the citizens of Rye about this valuable town resource.

Francis "Mike" Garvan, Clerk
Rye Conservation Commission

Town Clerk/Tax Collector's Message

Winter is behind us, spring has sprung and summer is soon to come. Beach Stickers are now on sale at the Town Clerk's office. Please bring in your vehicle registration and payment of twenty dollars (\$20.00) for each permit requested. Beach stickers are for property owners and full time rentals. Your status as a resident or property owner will be verified before the Beach Parking Permit is issued.

All dogs needed to be registered by April 30th. Registration fees for dogs registered after May 31st will include a \$1.00 delinquent fee for each month thereafter. When registering your dog, please make sure you have an updated rabies certificate.

First issue 2017 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, self-addressed envelope with your payment. For your convenience, we have a locked mailbox to the left of the counter to receive tax payments.

Once again the State of NH is offering the Low and Moderate Income Homeowners Property Tax 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, 2017. If you need assistance completing the form, help is available by calling this office at 964-8562.

When mailing in a check payment, please specify the account number, address of the property or vehicle license number in the memo section. We are good detectives but sometime there is a delay in processing if we can't figure out where it goes.

We would like input from the residents on being open one night a week for your convenience. Outside the Town Clerk's office we will have survey forms. This does not change our regular business hours. It adds extra hours for the residents that cannot get here between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Remember this is only a survey.

Remember, we are here for you as residents. If you have any questions or need assistance, please call our office.

Happy Summer

Donna DeCotis
Town Clerk/Tax Collector

2017 Rye Memorial Day Ceremony

On Monday, May 29, 2017 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 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, Rye Junior High Marching Band, Veterans, Girl and Boy Scouts, and vintage fire trucks.

The Guest Speaker is Veteran

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Jim Willey of Rye, NH. The music and sound will be provided by Kevin Schladenhauffen, Karrie Burnett, the New Hampshire Police Association Pipes and Drums, Rye Junior High Marching Band with assistance from Seacoast Power Equipment. Cameron Conant will perform taps with James Buchan performing echo. Songs will be sung by Brody Parrott 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 Priscilla Jenness, Selectman and Bill Epperson to participants of the Rye Recreation Memorial Day Poster and Writing Contest who attend Rye Elementary School and Rye Junior High School. Recipients of the Poster Contest Awards are: Grade K, Molly Rourke; Grade 1, Keira Hagen; Grade 2, Tiana Demers; and Grade 3, Ashleigh Hancock. Recipients of the Writing Contest Awards are: Grade 4, Finn Saunders; Grade 6, Josie Sedam; Grade 7, Ava Coffey and Charlize Lingamfelter; and Grade 8, Natalie Manser and Anna Rose Marion. Posters will be available for viewing and the poems and essays will be read. Reverend Ronald Lavoie of Rye Congregational Church will give the invocation and Reverend Maurice D. Lavigne of St. Theresa Church will give 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 and 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.

Rye Senior SERVE Message

HAVE YOU SEEN THE ATTRACTIVE NEW SERVE MAGNET? Designed as a replica of the SERVE van, it is a tangible symbol of Rye Senior SERVE and the programs that SERVE volunteers provide to the senior residents of Rye. Magnets are available around the town – at the Library, Town Hall, Public Safety Building, churches and retail establishments. If you would like a magnet, call Connie Olson at 964-5170 and we will send one to you along with a description of our programs.

The phone number on the magnet is that of the Rye Public Library. If you call, one of the very busy, but supportive, librarians will direct you to the program you want to reach - a ride to an important appointment; a shopping trip on the SERVE van; a daily wellness call; a seat on the van for Seacoast Repertory Theater preview performances; or a soon-to-be-announced new program to further benefit Rye's senior residents. SERVE thanks the Library staff for their generous help in connecting us with those residents who wish to be part of SERVE programs.

The magnets were introduced at the highly successful Ham & Bean Community Supper on May 13th. SERVE thanks the Rye Lions Club and the Rye Congregational Church for including us as sponsors of that enjoyable and well attended event which show-cased the community service of the sponsoring organizations. There is a lot going on in our town. SERVE invites you to participate as a user or a volunteer in our programs.

Connie Olson
Rye Senior SERVE

Mosquito Control Commission Update

During the extreme drought last year, I said I wouldn't complain about a rainy day. However, I am complaining about another rainy week. My house

smells like wet dog. My work trucks smell like wet boots and my crew is tired of being wet. I'm glad the drought has eased but more water means more mosquitoes. The wetlands are brimming with water and that's just what mosquitoes need to survive.

We were busy during March and April gearing up for the start of the mosquito season. Public notices were published in numerous local papers and posted around town. Certified letters were sent to registered beekeepers notifying them of our planned work. We eagerly awaited the State issued Special Permits. The permits arrived in April and we were given final approval to start controlling mosquito larvae.

Dragon Mosquito Control began checking various wetlands in April with larviciding beginning soon thereafter. Ice and snow lingered in many swamps well into April. Data collected throughout the month reveals normal populations of mosquito larvae in the water. It remains to be seen what the summer months will bring. Dry conditions will limit mosquito populations while a wet summer will produce more mosquitoes. One or two heavy rain events would impact the mosquito population drastically.

The new 2017 adult mosquitoes begin hatching during the warmer days in May. In the meantime, black flies keep us company while we're doing yard work and cleaning up the damages of winter. A few hibernating mosquitoes leftover from 2016 may visit you to try and get one last blood meal.

Disease activity doesn't begin until late summer and continues into November. Beginning in July, adult mosquitoes collected throughout town will be sent to the State Lab in Concord where they are tested for diseases. These disease test results tell us whether mosquitoes are carrying EEE or WNV. This guides our recommendation to spray the schools, parks and athletic fields.

This year, Dragon will be utilizing newly acquired traps specifically designed to capture ZIKA mosquitoes. The BG-Sentinel traps will be deployed throughout the southeastern part of the state to monitor the presence of *Aedes albopictus*, one of the two species known to transmit the ZIKA virus worldwide. This mosquito has spread to Massachusetts and survives the winter. If it becomes established in NH, then it will likely survive our winters too. The other mosquito that transmits ZIKA is a tropical mosquito. While it's possible that species could be imported into NH, it's highly



 RYE ART IN BLOOM 2017



“Nature’s Beauty” by Elizabeth D. Carlsen, Watercolor; Flower Arranger: Elizabeth D. Carlsen

Rye Recreation and Webster at Rye recently held the 17th Annual Rye Art in Bloom at Webster at Rye. The exhibit displayed 23 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.

1. "Autumn Blues" by Priscilla Jenness, Oil; Flower Arranger: Priscilla Jenness
2. "Bement Bridge" by Doris B. Rice, Watercolor; Flower Arranger: Margaret Gray
3. "Blue Highway Soundcheck" by Joan H. Sweeney, Photography; Flower Arranger: Jaci Grote
4. "Brittany, A Walk With My Dog" by Maddi Alana, Watercolor; Flower Arrangers: Jean Scott and Naomi Scott
5. "Crab Hunting for Breakfast" by Jillian M. Swist, Oil; Flower Arranger: Shawna M. Healy-Swist

6. "Crashing Waves" by Julie A. Hyde, Watercolor; Flower Arranger: Fran I. Hyde
7. "Creek Street, Ketchikan, Alaska" by Wilfred H. Hall, Oil; Flower Arranger: Jane Sweeney
8. "Executive Conference" by Cindy L. Courtney, Oil; Flower Arranger: Karen M. Johnson
9. "Garden Goddess" by Linda Szabo, Acrylic; Flower Arranger: Joanne F. Kalet
10. "Great Bay Sunset and Friends" by Lynn J. Joslyn, Watercolor; Flower Arranger: Holly O. Harris
11. "Insects in Grass" by Jodi Adams, Fabric; Flower Arranger: Alison Johnston
12. "Live Circle" by Marianne J. Forman, Oil; Flower Arranger: Sarah E. Oliver
13. "Market Day in Provence" by Jean B. Leopold, Oil; Flower Arranger: Judith C. Santarelli
14. "Me and My Book" by Mary Brygider, Watercolor; Flower Arranger: Linda M. Alves

15. "Mosaic Dragon" by Pamela Sheerin, Fabric; Flower Arranger: Phyllis K. Goodsell
16. "Nature's Beauty" by Elizabeth D. Carlsen, Watercolor; Flower Arranger: Elizabeth D. Carlsen
17. "October Snow" by Mary J. Vermeersch, Oil; Flower Arranger: Karen M. Johnson
18. "Primary Dinghies" by Emerzette J. Rand, Oil; Flower Arranger: Carolyn Harvey
19. "Queen Crab" by Carol A. Rodenberg, Watercolor; Flower Arrangers: Anne H. Kern and Sue Kern
20. "Summer in New Castle" by Shirley A. Lyle, Watercolor; Flower Arrangers: Elizabeth H. Field and Victoria F. Eskelsen
21. "Sunset" by Claire Russo, Acrylic; Flower Arranger: Debra J. Sleeper
22. "Tranquility" by Barbara R. Ripley, Fabric; Flower Arranger: Suzanne Nixon
23. "Vanity" by Ann Tolson, Acrylic; Flower Arranger: Deborah A. Reed



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/

2017



JULY 4TH CELEBRATION

Tuesday, July 4, 2017

Parsons Field

7:00 p.m., Live Band

At dusk fireworks by Jack Tobey & Crew

WEATHER PERMITTING - NO RAIN DATE



2017-2018 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.



VOICES OF LEGENDS SHOW Eric Kearns' act includes vocal impersonations from artists who were popular from the 1920's through the 1970's. Hear the hit songs as they were recorded by singers like: Frank Sinatra, Elvis Presley, Dean Martin and more. Enjoy a show that will take you down memory lane with lunch at the Venezia Waterfront Restaurant, Boston, MA. Date: Thursday, July 20, 2017; Reservation Deadline: June 29, 2017; Departure Time and Location: TBD; Meal: Chicken parmesan with pasta or baked haddock, salad, vegetable, potato, rolls, dessert, coffee/tea. Fee: \$90 (Includes transportation, admission and lunch)

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 26-August 18, 2017 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 picnic 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.

(No additional charge)

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

(No additional charge)

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 4th); Full Day: \$112/wk,

Half-Day: \$60/wk

Week 1, June 26-30, Harry Potter

Calling all wizards! Spend the week honoring Harry Potter. Meet the magical sorting hat, who'll tell you what house you're in and battle some Boggarts. Get ready for Hogwarts crafts and games of Quidditch.



Week 2, July 3-July 7, L'Espresso my Lego®

Enter the wonderful world of Legos®. Build pre-designed projects and develop your own creations. Tower competitions, daily challenges, games and crafts will be based around your favorite building block. (No camp July 4th)



Week 3, July 10-14, Under the Sea

There is a whole big world on the ocean floor. Dive into ocean discovery! Explore sea creatures, build sand castles, make a Soctopus, play ocean-themed games, and more!



Week 4, July 17-21, Star Wars Episode II

Are you prepared to embark on the greatest adventure ever seen in a galaxy long ago and far away? Build your own tie fighter, upgrade your light saber, and save Princess Leia while listening to the Cantina Band. May the Force be with you!



Week 5, July 24-28, All Around New

Hampshire Discover how beautiful the State of New Hampshire is, as we explore fun facts about natural habitats, landmarks and State symbols. Cook native foods and create historical arts and crafts all week long.



Week 6, July 31- August 4,

Animation Fascination Calling all Minions, Trolls and Dragons. This week we will create crafts and play games based on our favorite animated movies. Join us for popcorn and fun under the sun.



Week 7, August 7-11, STEM-tastic

Explore the fascinating world of science, technology, engineering and mathematics through fun and creative hands-on projects and activities.



Week 8, August 14-18, Superhero

Adventures It's A Bird... It's A Plane... It's Supercamper. Become your favorite comic book character (hero or villain) and create your own. Be ready to test your super powers, build your own utility belt, cape and mask.



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 10, 2017, 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Fee: \$95



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 Public Library, Rye. Thursdays, July 13, 20, 27, August 3, 2017, 9:30-11:00 a.m. Fee: \$66 (4 classes)



YOUTH YOGA CAMP

provides a fun, empowering, educational and creative boosting experience. Enjoy yoga and other activities daily. Designed to build mindfulness, self-esteem, and connect 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 10-14, 2017, Entering Grades 3-5, Co-ed, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.; Entering Grades K-2, Co-ed, 1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. Week 2, July 17-21, 2017, Entering Grades 6-8, Girls, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. Fee: \$100/wk, includes yoga mat



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). The registration deadline is one week prior to each camp. Week 1, July 10-14; Week 2, July 31-August 4; Week 3, August 14-18, 2017. Entering Grades 3-8, 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Fee: \$279/wk



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 10-14, 2017

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

Week 2, July 31-August 4, 2017

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 Timothy Riese, PGA Head Professional. Each session will cover set-up, full swing and short game. Held at Pease Golf Course, 200 Grafton Road, Portsmouth, NH.

Tuesdays, July 11, 18, 25, August 1, 2017, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Fee: \$139 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.

June 26-30, 2017, 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Fee: \$210/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 27, July 4, 11, 18, 2017, 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Session 2, Tuesdays, July 25, August 1, 8, 15, 2017, 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, weather permitting.

Session 1, Tuesdays, June 27, July 4, 11, 18, 2017, 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Session 2, Tuesdays, July 25, August 1, 8, 15, 2017, 6:00-7:00 p.m.

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



BASKETBALL CAMP instruction for grades 1-4 is provided by Anne Haky, Girls Varsity Basketball Coach and Physical Education Teacher for Windham High. Instruction for grades 5-6 is provided by Brett Mulvey former Junior Varsity Boys Coach at Portsmouth High School. 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 10-14, 2017

Entering Grades 1-2 Co-ed, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Entering Grades 3-4 Co-ed, 12:30-3:30 p.m.

Week 2, July 17-21, 2017

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

Entering Grades 5-6 Boys, 12:30-3:30 p.m.

Fee: \$100/wk, includes t-shirt & participation award

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.



Wednesdays, July 12, 19, 26, August 2, 9, 2017

K-2, 3:30-4:30 p.m.; Grades 3-5, 4:30-5:30 p.m.; Grades 6-8,

5:30-6:30 p.m.; Adult, 6:30-7:30 p.m.; HS, 7:30-8:30 p.m.

Fee: \$62.50 per session (5 lessons)

LEGO® CAMPS instruction is provided by Kevin Husson. This program is for youth entering grades 1-6 and held in the cafeteria at Rye Junior High School. Campers attending more than one session need to bring a snack and drink each day. *Participants do not take LEGOs/Projects home.*



Session 1, LEGO® Robotics Using LEGO® Education WeDo, participants will learn about gears, circuits, and computer programming as they construct different robots. Incredible machines will be designed and built using the new LEGO® Mindstorm EV3! Drag-and-drop software will be used to bring projects to life!

July 24-28, 2017, Entering Grades 1-6, 12:30-2:30 p.m.

Session 2, LEGO® Engineering Using the latest Power Functions Technology, participants will learn about gears, circuits, wheels, axles, pulleys and much more. Over 50 different projects are available to design and build including motorized cars, remote control tanks, and amusement park rides.

July 24-28, 2017, 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 7-11, 2017, 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 24-28, 2017

4 yrs - Entering K, Co-ed, 9:00-10:30 a.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.*

June 26-30, 2017

Entering Grades 2-8, Co-ed, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

Fee: \$155/wk, includes t-shirt

FALL RECREATIONAL SOCCER LEAGUE is co-ed and open to 4 yrs - grade 5, Rye and New Castle residents only.



Held September 9 to October 14, 2017. 4 yrs meet once a week

on Saturday to practice and play as a group 8:30-9:15 a.m. Grade K meet once a week on Saturday to practice and play as a group 8:30-

9:30 a.m. Grades 1-2 meets twice a week and practice and play a

game each day, Tuesdays, 5:15-6:15 p.m. and Saturdays, 9:40-10:40

a.m. Grades 3-5 meets twice a week and practice and play a game

each day, Tuesdays, 5:15-6:15 p.m. and Saturdays, 8:30-9:30 a.m.

Held at the Rye Recreation Area, 55 Recreation Road, Rye.

Fee: \$30 for 1st registrant, \$25 for each additional registrant from the same family (includes uniform shirt). Late fee of \$30 will apply to registrations received after the July 28, 2017 deadline.

The above schedule and age groupings are subject to change based on registrations received.

Rye Public Library offers Summer Reading 2017

"Shout for libraries. Shout for the young readers who use them."

—Patrick Ness

Rye Public Library Youth Department Summer Reading Programming June - August 2017

more details at ryepubliclibrary.org or 964-8401

Youth Programs:

Kickoff ! Magician Peter Boie*

Tuesday June 27 @ 6:30pm

Mother Goose Story Time (Birth to 24 Months)

Fridays 10:00 – 10:30am June 2 - August 11

Friday Family Movies *Check Website for Featured Films*

June 2, 16 @ 3:10pm; June 30-August 4 @ 3:00pm

Dumbledore's Army: All Ages Harry Potter Club

Tuesday June 6 & July 11 6:00pm

Teen Programs (*check website for details*)

Wednesdays 6:00 - 7:30pm June 28, July 12, 19

Wednesdays 4:00 - 5:30pm July 5, 26, August 2

Story Time for Toddlers & Preschoolers

Wednesdays 10:00am June 28 - August 9

Harry Potter 20 Party (20th Anniversary) All Ages

Thursday June 29 3:00 - 6:00pm

Block Party! Legos in the Library

Thursdays June 29, 13, 20, 27

Sit, Stay, Read (Reading Practice with dogs)

Thursdays: June 29; July 13, 20; Aug 10

Read with a Teen (Reading Practice)

Thursdays: July 6, July 27; August 3

Book Bites Book Club (Grades 3-5)

Mondays July 10, 24 & Aug 7 2:30-3:15pm

Teen Advisory Board Members Overnight Lock-In

Sat July 15 3:00pm until Sun July 16 9:00am

Annual Chris Rose Cookies & Milk Story Time*

Tuesday July 18 6:30pm

Chess Club for all Ages

Wednesday July 19 3:15 - 4:15pm

YAttitudes Book n' Reel (Grades 6+)

Fridays July 21, August 4 5:00 - 8:00pm

Hampstead Stage Co.: Beauty and the Beast!*

Tuesday July 25 6:30pm

Bead n Read Beading and Audiobooks*

Kids July 31, Aug 10; Teens July 17: 2:00-4:00pm

Stuffie Sleepover Story Time and Breakfast*

August 1 5:30 - 6:30pm and August 2 10:00am

Finale! Build Your Own Ice Cream Sundae*

Tuesday, August 8 6:30pm

*Weekly Themes around "Build a Better World!"
with weekly Trivia for prizes; Triple Tickets on
Thursdays*

***These programs require signing up!**

Harry Potter Movie Marathon

Thursday & Friday August 17, August 18: time TBA

RPL Wednesday Movie Matinee Series

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

6/7 *Passengers* PG-13 116 min

6/14 *Fences* PG-13 138 min

6/21 *Patriot's Day* R 133 min

6/28 *Live By Night* R 128 min

7/5 *Bridget Jones Diary* R 122 min

7/12 *The Last Word* R 108 min

7/19 *Light Between Oceans* PG-13 133 min

8/2 *Certain Women* R 107 min

8/9 *Zookeeper's Wife* PG-13 127min

8/16 *Beauty and the Beast* PG 129 min

8/23 *Gifted* PG-13 101 min

8/30 *Going In Style* PG-13 96min

Summer Music Series

Wednesday June 21 at 3:00 PM

Wednesday July 19 at 3:00PM

Wednesday August 16 at 3:00PM

Sea Brass Quintet – Local Artists-Fun!

David Polansky - Music through the Decades!

T.J. Wheeler—Blues come to Rye!

Summer Concerts fill the main Library with music and take place on the main floor

Ongoing Activities:

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

Now offering afternoon and evening sessions: Third Tuesday of each month at **2 pm and 7 pm!**

6/20 *When Breath Becomes Air* by Paul Kalanithi

8/15 *The Last Painting of Sara de Vos* by Dominic Smith

7/18 *The Rosie Project* by Graeme Simsion

Coloring for Adults: 11am on Thursdays! Materials provided.

Mah Jongg Club: Every Tuesday and Thursday at 12:30 pm. American style Mah Jongg

Drawing Together Sketchbook Group:

Military Book Discussions:

Every Tuesday at 9:30 am. Pressure-free art practice.

First Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm. 6/1, 7/6, 8/3

Knitting with Mary:

Chair Yoga with Amelia: Supported stretch & breath practice.

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

Monday mornings at 9:30

Learn to Play Bridge: with Skip Page. Every Tuesday 3:30-5:30 pm. Beginners welcome!

FRIENDS OF THE RYE PUBLIC LIBRARY

New members welcome! Monthly meetings 2nd Tues @ 6pm on Summer hiatus

Regular meetings resume in September 2017

Discounted Museum Passes: borrow 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	Strawbery 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	Seacoast Science Center, Rye
Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, MA	Woodman Institute Museum, Dover

Museum Passes Donated by the Friends of the Rye Public Library

Computer Tutor or Device Advice Sessions

Monday or Friday mornings or Thursday evenings

Call to schedule an hour-long one-on-one session to answer your specific computer or device-related questions including security, how to borrow downloadable content through RPL, or help with your Windows, Mac, Android, or iOS device. This service is free to anyone.

Tech Talk Computer Classes

These classes are on Wednesdays from **9:30 AM - 11:00 AM** and sponsored by the Friends of the Rye Public Library. Call 964-8401 to register for classes.

June 21	Uninvited Guests: Tips & Tricks for Securing your Browser
July 19	Facebook: Security, Ads & Groups
Aug 23	Exploring RPL's Electronic Resources for your Devices

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

Mosquito Commission Update

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unlikely it could survive our winter temperatures.

Residents who do not want their wetlands treated may use our No-Spray Registry on our website at www.DragonMosquito.com/No-Spray-Registry or write to Dragon Mosquito Control, P.O. Box 46, Stratham, NH 03885. Be sure to include your name, physical address, phone number, and a description of your property with boundaries. Otherwise, your property may be treated. Anyone who submitted a request in 2016 may contact the office to reaffirm your request. Inquiries may be emailed to help@dragonmosquito.com or call the office at 734-4144. Check out our web site: www.dragonmosquito.com where you can request a larval survey, read more about what we do or click on the link to follow us on Twitter or Facebook.

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

Heritage Commission Update

One of the obligations of a Heritage Commission is to work to preserve historic buildings.

Engineering studies of town hall have shown that the building is structurally sound, but needs shoring up in places and aged clapboards and other exterior wood needs replacement before it can be painted. Rye Heritage Commission is continuing to fulfill its obligation by seeking grant money and other funding to address these and other town hall needs.

The commission meets the first Thursday of each month at 6:30 PM at town hall and welcomes citizen input on these and other historic preservation issues in Rye.

Alex Herlihy
Rye Heritage Commission

Energy Committee Update

The Rye Energy Committee is pleased to announce the Energize 360 Campaign launch presentation on June 15 at the Rye Library.

Energize 360 is a grass roots, community-led initiative created by

volunteers from Dover, Durham, Lee, Northwood, Portsmouth and Rye. The campaign is not sponsored by the Town of Rye. The campaign seeks to make it easier for residents and businesses to find the right solutions to reduce home energy use and generate clean solar energy.

The campaign brings together information about energy audits, weatherization, energy efficiency and solar renewable energy with reliable partner companies to provide the products and services. Any resident who chooses to participate in Energize 360 will get a free home site visit, a comprehensive home energy analysis and a Home Heating Index score specific to their residence from partners Yankee Thermal Imaging and ReVision Energy. Energize 360 partners will offer energy audits, weatherization, solar electric systems and complementary technologies, as well as help in qualifying for rebates and incentives. Those who participate will benefit from a group discount for the products and services provided.

In addition, the Energize 360 Campaign offers a community "Social Fund". As the program's solar installation partner ReVision Energy has committed to donating one solar panel to a community energy project for every household that signs up for a solar installation. As more people participate, the larger the social fund will grow. At the end of the campaign, all of those who participated will have the opportunity to vote on how the community social fund will be used, whether it is on the local school, municipal building or somewhere else.

We would like to encourage you to spread the word to your friends and neighbors so more town residents become involved in the Campaign. The more residents who participate the larger the savings will be. And by participating we will help the social fund become large enough to make the community energy project something we can all be proud of.

The Energize 360 Campaign is open to all Rye residents and businesses from now until August 31st. Plan to attend the presentation on June 15th from 7:00 – 8:00pm at the Rye Library to learn more about it. For more information about Energize 360 go to <http://energize360.org/> or call 603-679-1777.

Rye Energy Committee
Danna Truslow
Susan Anderson
Howard Kalet
Tom Pfau

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

Spring is here and summer is right around the corner. Let's get ready for summer. In this issue, we want to talk about recycling your garden plants.

A few things to remember when you are planting your gardens. All the containers that plants come in can be recycled. Ask your local garden centers if they will take back the empty containers. Most garden centers will. That way the containers can be used again for another crop and kept out of the landfills.

Certain plants can be given a second chance for another growing season. Chrysanthemums are not always done in at the end of the growing season in the fall. Cut back the foliage of potted chrysanthemums and plant them in the ground in the fall and you might be surprised that you can get a second season out of them. Geraniums and impatiens can be brought indoors for the winter. Treat them as indoor plants for the winter and they will be ready to go back outside in the spring. Lastly dahlia bulbs can be dug up at the end of the season. Place the bulbs in a container and store them in a cool dry space in the basement for the winter. Plant the bulbs in the spring and you will have colorful plants all summer long.

The compost that you have been creating all winter, or you can get compost from Mr. Fox, will be ready for the garden in the spring. Things that you use in the summer for cookouts and barbecues can be composted. Some of those items are:

- All food scraps from plates
- Sugar packets
- Eggshells
- Paper napkins, plates, & towels
- Bread
- All meats & all seafood including bones & shells
- Wax Paper liners & muffin wax wrappers
- Fruits & vegetables (remove stickers)
- Teabags & tea (no staples please)
- Coffee grounds & filters
- Flowers and floral trimmings
- Some cardboard boxes
- All plant based cups & utensils (compostable)
- Wooden Stirrers & corks

Other Recycling ideas.

To keep everyday items that are still in good condition such as furniture,

(See Recycling News, page 13)

clothing, house goods out of the landfills give them a second chance. You can put those items in the "Swap Shop," but please keep the "Swap Shop" organized when putting items in there. Also, you can put items in the donation bins at the Transfer Station or donate those items to local community organizations such as the Salvation Army Store, Goodwill, Operation Blessing, Savers, The Restore, Journey Home to mention a few.

We need your help!

The Rye Recycling Education Committee still has openings for more members. We meet at the Rye Public Library on the third Tuesday of the month at 6:30 PM. All interested residents are encouraged to attend.

Remember, enjoy the summer and please recycle. The earth will thank you.

Thank you,
John Provencher, Chairman
Rye Recycling Education Committee

Rye Historical Society News

The warm weather is back and the Rye Historical Society (RHS) has returned to its Summer Hours, open most Wednesdays from 3:00-5:00pm, Saturdays 10:00am-12:00pm and by appointment during other times (just email info@ryenhistoricalociety.org).

The 2017 Summer Season programming has already started, and we have tried to find events so that you can know more about the history of your wonderful hometown of Rye.

In May, we hosted the Pontine Theatre, along with the Rye Public Library (RPL), to present a literary and historical program called "Halcyon Days, on the Beach with Ogden Nash." The presentation explored the ways in which Nash's life on the New Hampshire seashore influenced his poems, giving the reader insight into the man, his character, and his ideas about family, society, and nature.

On Memorial Day and the Fourth of July take a Rye History Trolley Tour from 10:30am-12:00pm. We meet at the Rye Public Library parking lot and tickets are \$20 (\$18 for seniors, under 18 or RHS members). Please reserve your spot by emailing info@ryenhistoricalociety.org or by calling (603) 997-6742.

On June 8 at 6:30pm we will hold a lecture at and cosponsored by the

RPL entitled, "Forgotten Frontier: Life on the Piscataqua in the Seventeenth Century" with Prof. Emerson Baker, an archaeologist and historian from Salem State College. He will also talk about his archaeological digs and what he has found on the Seacoast that gives us insight into the daily life of early settlers.

Members are invited to our Annual Meeting on Sunday, July 23 at 4pm, followed by a first ever Annual Party (details to follow). We invite all members and prospective members to this fun summer event, where you can enjoy the festivities, meet our neighbors, and learn about the things going on behind the scenes at the Rye Historical Society. If you are interested in an invitation, please email info@ryenhistoricalociety.org.

The Rye Historical Society has started a new program to highlight historically important homes and roads in Rye and Rye Beach. Called "The House/Road of the Month", a different home or road will be featured in our e newsletter and in Rye Magazine. If your home or road has historic significance, please let us know and we will consider it for highlighting this year.

In late 2016, the Toohey family generously donated \$5,000 to the RHS for researching and promoting the history of the Rye Beach precinct. Jennifer King is the research associate for the Rye Beach project. She received her Master's in museum studies/history from UNH in 2016.

The research will pave the way for highlighting and displaying these and other important aspects of the history of Rye Beach at the RHS and within the community. Among the topics that will be comprehensively researched are the hotels and boarding houses of Rye Beach (the Toohey home was one of the hotels).

All the research and programming at RHS, as well as upkeep for the Museum building, takes funding, and as a **nonprofit, nongovernmental organization**, we rely on donations and membership to make all this happen.

Our goal for 2017 is to add 100 new members to the RHS and we hope you will consider supporting us in this mission. We are well over half way there but still need your support! With this number of members, we can sustain the work of the society and the museum, add to our range of programming, expand our research and database and keep our museum open and vital.

**Become a RHS member today!
Membership Benefits Include:**

- Invitations to members only appreciation events
- Discounts on special events, exhibition previews, and community programs
- Participation and voting privileges at annual board meeting
- 10% discount on items from the Museum's gift shop
- A standing invitation to a personal tour of the museum's collection

Membership Levels:

Individual	\$10.00
Family	\$15.00
Business	\$50.00
Sponsor	\$100.00
Lifetime	\$500.00

ALL levels of donations are gladly accepted! Payment can be made via Pay Pal on our website or by check payable to "Rye Historical Society" and mailed to PO Box 583, Rye, NH 03870. Please include your name, mailing address and e-mail. Website: www.ryenhistoricalociety.org

Rye Schools: Academic Spotlight

The Rye School District defines "academic challenge" as meeting the individual student's learning needs while asking him/her to try something new, think deeper, and push him/herself slightly beyond their comfort level. Challenge for the 21st century learner includes a focus on skills for life: critical thinking and problem solving, collaboration and leadership, agility and adaptability, initiative and entrepreneurialism, effective oral and written communication, accessing and analyzing information, and curiosity and imagination.

The dedicated teachers and staff in Rye provide students with many opportunities to engage in meaningful projects that are academically challenging. Two excellent examples include the fifth grade science project at Rye Elementary School and the seventh grade argumentative writing curriculum at Rye Junior High.

At Rye Elementary School, the fifth grade students, led by Doris Gianforte, embarked on their journey of becoming young scientists. The diligent work of the students was obvious when they presented to a room full of subject matter experts, teachers and parents on February 17th. Through this project

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students developed core competencies such as conducting an investigation collaboratively to produce data to serve as the basis for evidence and how cause and effect relationships are routinely identified, tested, and used to explain change. This multi-faceted project allowed each child to complete the process at her/his individual interest and skill level.

Specifically, students formulated a "big question" to tackle as it relates to their chosen subject. They gathered research and notes, which led to the development of a hypothesis. Based on their hypothesis, they identified independent and dependent variables and performed experiments with these variables. Controls for their experiments were identified and students learned to create data tables using Google Sheets to record the results. They used these data to create graphs, documented their procedures for the experiments and wrote a conclusion for their study. Finally, they created a display board of their projects and presented their findings to the audience. The subject matter experts, teachers and community members listened to the student's presentation, asked questions about the scientific process they followed and provided feedback about their research. This feedback was presented to the students who in turn sent thank you notes to those who came to hear the presentations.

Our Rye Junior High seventh grade Language Arts teacher Jennifer Miller guided her students through a module on writing research-based argumentative essays. The students were tasked with looking at the RJH Student Handbook and selecting a policy they would like to see changed or implemented. Writing these essays came after reading a novel in class, *Nothing but the Truth*, where a student decided to break the rules rather than take the appropriate measures to address the issue. After completing the book, students wrote a literary argumentative essay where they were introduced to its proper format. After the students demonstrated an understanding of the format, they were asked to write a research-based essay on a topic that they feel strongly about.

The students presented their essays to an administrative panel that challenged their position by asking questions. This provided them with an authentic experience addressing a problem and taking the appropriate measures to present their ideas, rather than simply breaking the rules, as seen by the character in the novel.

Congratulations to our teachers and students!

Rye School Board
Scott Marion, Chairperson
Kevin Brandon
Jeanne Moynahan
Margaret Honda
Paula Tssetsilas

Rye Water District News

Annual Meeting: The Rye Water District held its annual meeting at the Rye Junior High School on Saturday, March 28, 2017. Arthur Ditto was re-elected as Commissioner for a three-year term. Joshua Scott was re-elected as District Moderator for a two-year term. The Water District's annual budget of \$1,308,887 was approved. A new Expendable Trust Fund for water storage tank maintenance was approved and \$30,000 was authorized to be deposited into the fund. Also authorized was \$30,000 to be placed in the existing Distribution System Replacement and Improvement Capital Reserve Fund, \$15,000 existing Expendable General Fund Trust, and \$15,000 to be placed in the District's existing Equipment and Buildings Capital Reserve Fund.

Additional Monitoring: The Rye Water District is continuing to test and monitor its source water for PFC's and 1, 4-dioxane, with the initial sampling started in 2016. Additional samples for PFC's were taken in January 2017 and for 1, 4-dioxane in February 2017. The RWD intends to sample twice per year for these compounds. Sampling results are posted on the Town of Rye's website.

The Town of Rye has Three Water Suppliers: The Rye Water District supplies water and fire protection to the major portion of the Town of Rye. Additionally, Aquarion Water Works supplies Jenness Beach and Rye Beach Precincts, and the City of Portsmouth supplies water to the northern part of town along Pioneer Road, Sagamore Avenue, Elwyn Road, and Wentworth Road. The portions of Rye served on Wentworth Road, Harbor View Drive, Heather Drive, Elizabeth Lane, along with a section of Frontier Road are supplied by using Portsmouth Water but remain within the jurisdiction of the Rye Water District.

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.

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

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 8:00 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 before daybreak. 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 or 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.

Rye Water District Board of Commissioners can be E-Mailed at commissioners.ryewater@comcast.net

Rye Water District Commissioners
Arthur Ditto
Ralph Hickson
Thomas Clifford

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 or the Town website: www.town.rye.nh.us for up-to-date information.

June 2017

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4	5 6:00 p.m. Recreation Commission	6	7 9:00 a.m. Rye Water District 60 Sagamore Road 7:00 p.m. Zoning Board of Adjustment	8	9	10	
11	12 6:30 p.m. Board of Selectmen	13 8:00 a.m. Sewer Commission 7:00 p.m. Planning Board	14	15 7:00 p.m. Conservation Commission	16	17	
18 Father's Day	19	20 5:00 p.m. Mosquito Control Commission	21 9:00 a.m. Rye Water District Work Session 60 Sagamore Road	22	23	24	
25	26 6:30 p.m. Board of Selectmen	27 7:00 p.m. Technical Review Committee	28	29	30		

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

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

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

The following committees/commissions have member vacancies.

Rye Energy Committee	3 Member Vacancies
Rye Heritage Commission	1 Member Vacancy 1 Alternate Vacancy
Rye Historic District Commission	1 Member Vacancy
Rye Recreation Commission	1 Member Vacancy
Rye Recycling Education Committee	3 Member Vacancies

Please call the Selectmen's Office at 964-5523 or email jireland2@town.rye.nh.us for more information.



We would like to thank all the "shoppers" who frequented the Rye Farmers' Market over the past nine years. Unfortunately, the market will not be continuing as there were not enough to support a diversity of vendors and, last summer, we were down to 4 local farmers by the end of the market. We had a great nine years and enjoyed seeing so many of our neighbors taking advantage of buying fruits and vegetables from local farmers! Be sure to stop by Mel's farm stand on Washington Road for your fresh vegetables!

The Rye Farmers' Market Committee

PLANNING A YARD SALE OR AN OPEN HOUSE?

PLEASE REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING:

- Selectmen's approval is required for all signs on town-owned property, including Parsons Field and Town ROW's.
- Sign requests will be considered only from non-profit entities holding approved events on Town or School property or are for the benefit of or are sponsored by the Town.
- Commercial identification or logos on signs are not permitted.
- Sign duration is limited to 7 days.
- Size may not exceed 4 square feet. For example: 2' x 2'
- State law prohibits signs on utility poles.

JULY 4TH CELEBRATION

Tuesday, July 4, 2017

Parsons Field

7:00 p.m., Live Band

at dusk fireworks by

Jack Tobey & Crew

WEATHER PERMITTING -

NO RAIN DATE



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