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Also, check out our **Facebook** page! Join us for more late-breaking news and events that did not make our Newsletter deadline.

What's Up, Watson!



Great News and much progress!! The 3-inch diameter steel pipes are in!! The first attempt at installing them using a do-it-yourself jackhammer did not go well. Coastal Basement Systems was the only company of many we called that could/would drive the piles through the dried mud and rocks on short notice. Bill and Kevin are experts with their heavy commercial jackhammers! They had to add a lot of water to get them in, but all three pipes now rest on ledge approximately 5½ feet down and were installed within three hours. This was the toughest part of the restoration work so far and they were fantastic!

Charlie and Selectman Tom Dwyer spent a lot of time balancing the amount of lift of the main girder and adjacent floor joists to get the floors level. It was a huge balancing act. Then, they installed joist hangers on each joist along that main girder to reinforce the first floor framing. Tom spent a lot of time at Watson and his help is greatly appreciated. Lastly, during these last two months, the second floor doorframes were adjusted so they now open and close freely.

With this hard work completed, the next step is to cut off the tops of the pipes to a few inches above the basement floor level and cast a concrete pad over them to form a footing to support the new replacement column. Then this single supporting column will be installed and the framing restoration will be complete. We are sure to meet the deadline to claim the insurance reimbursement for the restoration work. The first floor will get new carpet; removing the wall there left a fair amount of bare floor exposed. The wall around the furnace in the basement must be rebuilt, the basement ceiling repaired and new basement lights installed. The existing first and second floor walls will be cleaned up and painted, the electrical lines repaired and the building can then be used again. We are waiting on bids for the final work before setting an opening date; we will post it on the town website as soon as it's finalized.

Even though the restoration is not yet complete, this seems like a good time to thank the rest of the folks who helped get Watson back into service again. Carol Clapp helped write the LCHIP (Land and Community Heritage Investment Program) grant proposal; the Watson committee and alumni lobbied for and supported the restoration work. Bruce Chapman, Deputy Fire Chief, made many trips to Watson to deal with the alarm system. Without him we would have had to listen to constant beeping. Valerie McKenney, School Superintendent, provided support and encouragement with refreshments and multiple visits to see the Watson restoration workers. Nicole Bizzaro's comments and enthusiasm, in addition to her leading the grant writing effort, were also very much appreciated. Thanks to the Selectmen for approving the grant proposal and the budget to get this work done. Thanks to the voters for approving the budget last March. We appreciate Maggie Stier from the New Hampshire Preservation Alliance and all her encouragement and support as we went through the process. A big thank you to LCHIP for granting the money; that would not have been possible without funding from our NH legislature, including Senator Russell Prescott and Representatives Jeffrey Harris, Michael Vose and former Representative Barbara Helmstetter.

Submitted by Sandy Goodspeed



Watson Restoration in Progress



State requests conservation of Lamprey River water

Posted Aug. 2, 2015 at 12:02 PM CONCORD, N.H. (AP) — The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Service is requesting that residents, businesses and other water users in the Lamprey River watershed voluntarily conserve water until higher flows return. Department officials said warm weather and limited rainfall over the last few weeks are causing low flow levels that hurt the ability of the river to support both human uses and aquatic life. The request covers the communities of Durham, Lee, Epping, Raymond, Candia, Deerfield, Northwood, Barrington, Freemont, Newfields and Newmarket, all of which can affect stream flows in the 50-mile Lamprey River. The state officials noted that water suppliers are not at risk of running out of water. However, decreasing the water use will reduce the stresses on the river at this time, they said.

Outside Watering Ban in Epping

The mandatory outside watering ban in effect in Epping continues. Epping town wells are currently at critically low levels and water conservation is very important. The Town is working hard to bring two new wells online, but that process will not be complete before next spring.

Senior Moments

The Club continues to collect for the Food Pantry and enjoy the homemade soups at the Community Church Soup Cafe that also supports the cause.

We got a new list of items our soldiers want, so we went shopping. It looked like Christmas back at the meeting with so much stuff. Member Lorraine Bateman, our liaison, got it to the right contacts. Thanks Lorraine.

Our recent lunch date on the deck of Shilbey's Restaurant at Alton Bay had a wow moment when a powerboat sped by and splashed the waves under our feet. Some lunch dates have gone astray but we always have a backup plan. So, in November we're headed to Paddy's Restaurant at Pease after a few hours of shopping at the Christmas Tree Shop. How we suffer.

Plans are to visit the larger Emergency 911 located in Laconia soon. New members who have not seen it will be impressed. Our spies tell us there is a Holy Grail Restaurant nearby. We'll check it out for you. Another trip we'd like to make, before Old Man Winter finds us, is the NH Bindery in Bow. No date set for that yet.

Mr. Mer Henderson spoke about World War II at our October meeting. We didn't want him to stop so he agreed to return. It was like the history book came alive right before us with facts and stories we didn't know or didn't remember. He certainly is a MUST speaker for anyone.

As soon as we learn the dates of the Light Show at Loudon Race Track, we're gone. I'm not going to mention what we do before the Light Show. You know.

Thank you Epping American Legion for hosting our Christmas party on December 10th. Our chef, Misty has the menu on her memo board and we're shopping for gifts. A surprise is in store for the guests this year. Can't tell a surprise but the next Newsletter will reveal if it was a success ...or not.

We welcome new members: Mary Boyle, Carole Alves, Robert and Betty Bouchard and Judy Paul.. We're growing and lovin' it.

Great news – we're going home to Watson

Academy for Christmas! We're so excited we don't know how to thank everyone who is making this a reality. We'll figure it out though - soon.

This is a health tip – a member of our club who is a sweet, gentle, spirited lady did NOT get her Shingles shot but she DID get the Shingles and it was very painful. So, I'm relaying her message - Seniors - please get your Shingles shot - IT'S FREE!!!!

Another..gotta....It's always difficult eating cupcakes without a face full of frosting. A gal on TV figured it out. Simply slice the cupcake in half horizontally, turn over the top, press it back onto the bottom half and voila! A cupcake/whoopie pie!

. A healthy, peaceful Christmas season is our wish to you all. Take the time to enjoy it, we will.

Submitted by Irene R. Cote, Secretary

News From the Town

Town Hall Closed:

November 11th – Veterans Day

November 26th, 27th – Thanksgiving

December 25th – Christmas

January 1st – New Years

Other Town Dates:

October 31st – Trick or Treat – 5-7 pm

December 6th – Town Tree Lighting and Holiday Party – 3:30 – 5:00 pm

Please “LIKE” the Epping Town Hall on Facebook.

275th Birthday Bash Committee

The next Birthday Bash Committee meetings will be held on **Tuesday, November 17th and Tuesday December 15th**. If you would like to help with the celebration, please send your name, e-mail address and your interest to Joyce at secretary@townepping.com

Plans for celebrating the 275th Anniversary of the Town of Epping:

Saturday February 20, 2016: A Karaoke dance party at the American Legion Hall for all Epping youth 1st grade through High School. Cake and ice cream for youth and adults. Time will be 1:00 to 4:00 pm.

Friday March 18, 2016: 275th Anniversary Dance at the American Legion. Times to be decided later.

April, 2016: Our annual Canoe race plus Earth Day sponsored by the Lions Club.

Wednesday May 25, 2016: Historical presentation at the Town Hall.

June, 2016: A progressive dinner sponsored by Epping churches. Watch for details.

July 12, 2016: Epping night at the New England Dragway. Race your personal vehicles. Prizes and lots of fun

There will be an Epping night at Star Speedway, the date has not been finalized

Watch for more information on our big Epping Day. **Saturday August 20th**. Parade, Floats, Bike decorations, Games, Food and much more. Watch for details in future Speak Up, Epping Newsletters and on the Epping 275th Anniversary Facebook page.

Submitted by Cliff Cray, Chairman

For Sale – Celebrate Our Birthday!

Birthday Pottery Mugs are for sale for \$15, Matching Plates are \$20. “Epping Air” soy candles are \$15. T-shirts are available in two colors, Royal and Sky Blue, and two sizes, \$15 Adult and \$12 Youth. Town Flags are \$50. All are being sold from the Selectmen’s Office at the Town Hall.

T-shirts and Flag



In and Around Epping

The Dollar Tree is open. The Liquor Store should be opening the middle to end of November. Taco Bell has begun construction next to Wendy’s on 125. The construction on The Beach Plum is progressing, also the construction on Valvoline.

Cell Phones for Our Troops

Donate your old cell phone.

More than 150,000 troops are serving overseas and are away from their families. Please make a donation of your old cell phone so they can call home, providing these soldiers with a much needed connection to their loved ones. There is a drop off box at the Epping Town Hall for your convenience.

The Pease Greeters Need Our Help!

The Pease Greeters, hundreds of volunteers, meet our Armed Forces any time of day or night, as they pass through Pease International Airport on their way to a war zone or on their way home. For eight years, Greeters have welcomed service members on every flight with a warm meal and beverage, small gifts, a cell phone to call home and a hearty round of applause. Recently, the number of flights through Pease has increased and the Pease Greeters are in need of **monetary help**. We need to support our service men and women any way we can. If you can give any amount, please make a check payable to Pease Greeters and send or drop it off to Joyce at the Town Hall.

East West Express

Keep the East West Express in mind when planning to shop for Christmas, or anything else, in Portsmouth or Manchester. No need to drive, ride the Express!

The East West Express continues to operate at the Epping NH Park and Ride providing service between the Portsmouth Transportation Center in Portsmouth NH (East) and Manchester Airport / Downtown Manchester (West). Once you arrive at our Portsmouth stop you can hop on the Coast Trolley to get to one of many fun destinations downtown. If you are looking for something fun to do in the Queen City, we stop every two hours downtown on Canal Street, very close to several attractions including the Verizon Wireless Arena.



Epping Lions Club

“We Serve”

We Want YOU to Join the Epping Lions Club

www.epping.nh.lions.org

<https://www.facebook.com/EppingsLionsClub>

Lions International is an international organization, primarily focused on serving the visually impaired through fundraising. Our latest

event, the Highnote festival in September, was a huge success. This year we introduced a pie in the face raffle, and everyone had a lot of fun. We also sold popcorn, coffee and 50/50 raffle tickets. Thank you to the McPhee family for continuing to support us at this event!

Our next project is a return of our popular Gas Card Raffle. We will sell a maximum of 300 tickets at \$5 each. First prize is \$300 at the gas station of the winner's choice. There will also be three \$50 winners. Tickets are available from your local Epping Lion, or come to our next meeting and check us out! Winners will be drawn at our holiday party just after Christmas, so this would make a fabulous stocking stuffer!

The Lions continue to support the eyeglass boxes, located at several locations around town, including the Epping Walmart and J&C Optical. Drop off your old eyeglasses to help others who need them.

If you're interested in learning more please visit our website: www.epping.nhlions.org or join us at our next meeting. We generally meet on the 4th Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm at the Harvey-Mitchell Memorial Library. We are always looking for new members interested in fellowship and serving your community. New ideas always welcome!

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Submitted by Debbie Moulton



TALES FROM EPPING'S PAST

Trailing a Name on an Old Stone:

Moses U. Hall of Epping

There's an old stone in the Prospect Cemetery engraved with the curious name of "Moses U. Hall." Other than that he was born in 1835 and died in 1926, little else was known about this man. So, it was decided to try digging up some more information, so to speak. The search revealed some very unexpected things about this Moses U. Hall.

His full name was Moses Uriah Hall and he was the grandson of the legendary Jude Hall, New

Hampshire's famous Revolutionary War soldier of color, some of whose own story is worth the telling here.

Jude Hall was born into slavery in 1747. He ran away from his owner, joined the Continental Army, and faithfully served our country for eight solid years to the end of the Revolutionary War. His first battle was at Bunker Hill, where he incredibly survived being thrown headlong by a cannon ball striking near him. Because of his endurance and great strength, Jude Hall was known all over New Hampshire as "Old Rock." The man stood almost six feet tall and was strong enough to lift up a barrel of cider and drink from it.

After the war, Jude Hall was given his freedom and a bit of land by Drinkwater Road in Exeter that's still known as "Jude's Pond." There he built a small one story house of two rooms and settled with his family. Most tragically, over the years, three of his four sons were kidnapped and cruelly enslaved. The one remaining son was George, who was a stonemason.

When Jude Hall died, there was nothing for George to inherit. Already himself a man of little means, George and his family were granted aid by the town of Exeter and the children helped with their education. One of his sons was Moses Uriah Hall, a young man eager to learn, and who was allowed to study alongside his employer's sons at Phillip's Exeter Academy. After a time, Moses Hall became a Civil War soldier. He came to Epping with his family after the War and lived here for many years, working hard into his old age.

Like his father before him, Moses U. Hall was a skilled stonemason and apparently had inherited some of his grandfather's fabled strength and stamina. In 1915, when he was about eighty years old, Mr. Hall paved the sidewalks on Pleasant Street. Before that, he had built a wall on Prescott Road and set the foundation for a large shoe factory in Raymond, as well as for a new one here in town. He bricked up buildings, and set walkways, stairs, fireplaces and chimneys all over town. The present Hogarth School and Murphy home on Water Street is but one example of his work.

In 1917, as our town's oldest citizen, Moses Uriah Hall became the fifth recipient of our Boston Post Cane and the first African-American to be so honored by Epping.

Mr. Hall died at well over ninety years of age. No doubt buried with military honors, this old Civil War veteran rests from a life well lived that would have made his father and his grandfather very proud indeed.

This column is dedicated to Epping's hard working Board of Cemetery Trustees.

This is 30th in a series for Speak Up, Epping!
Text/Research: Madelyn Williamson

Epping Historical Society

I can't believe it is fall already! We have had a very busy summer here at the Society. We are still working on our many collections. Our volunteers make all the difference in cataloging items, copying old newspaper clippings, sorting out vital records, and even sweeping the floor! We have had several additions to our museum this summer from family members of former Epping residents. These gifts have been residing in New Jersey for many years, and have returned home to Epping where they originated.

Have you bought your Epping Historical Society cookbook yet? The cookbooks are great! These books would make a great Christmas gift, a thank you or hostess gift, and what a great idea for a "Yankee Swap". This would be a thoughtful gift to take for the "cook" at your Thanksgiving dinner. The cookbooks are \$10.00 and can be picked up at the Historical Society, or the Town Hall. Although we are only open on Monday mornings, just call 679-2944, and I will meet you at the Society at your convenience.

We are still selling and installing bricks in the walkway. At this time we have over 35 bricks placed in the walkway. The bricks are \$50.00, with three lines for a message, with up to fourteen letters and spaces per line. It is so nice to drive by and see people "reading" the bricks. This is a great way to honor and remember our loved ones. Keep the date of **Thursday, December 3rd** open for a program at the Epping Historical Society. The program is called "Epping of Yesterday". Pictures from the Don and Buster Sanborn collection will be presented in a power point program for everyone's enjoyment. The program will have many old pictures of houses in Epping, as well as a few "colorful" people. Don and Buster presented this program for many years, and we always learned something new.

Fecteau's Store

This article was researched by Joy True, from news articles, and family histories at the Epping Historical Society.

The original store was the Milk Shed at the Epping Railroad Depot. Placid Fecteau (Tom Fecteau's father) bought the building and moved it in 1934 to its present site on Main Street. It started doing business as the Richfield Gas Station selling high octane gas. On the original credit slips, the

billhead advertised that the store sold Richfield Gas and Oil, Cigars, Cigarettes, Tobacco, Candy and Tonic. Placid Fecteau was one of the first to sell Granite State Potato Chips made in Salem, N.H. They came in bulk, and were scooped out for the customers.

Thomas Fecteau bought the business from his father in 1948. Tom expanded the store many times, leaving the wood floor an uneven patchwork of wood. Tom added to his father's inventory with ice cream, penny candy, bread, cakes and small necessary items such as shoelaces, soap, tooth powder and brushes. He removed the gas pumps when he purchased the store and added meat and groceries. At Fecteau's you could have Tom special grind a pound of hamburger to your taste. How many stores will do that today?

Tom's daughter, Marguerite Vallone, and her husband Andy Vallone purchased the store in 1972 after Tom died. They in turn expanded the store several more times, adding a clothing line, baskets, crockery and lots of country store goods. You no longer had to travel out of town to find that last minute gift. You could always find unusual gifts to buy, and with their well - stocked supply of greeting cards, your gift was complete.

If only walls could talk! Fecteau's store was the place to visit if you were a candidate for the President of the United States. This store had many political visitors, including Jack Kennedy, Estes Kefauver, George McGovern, the Clintons and many others too numerous to mention. In the 1984 Presidential election cycle, the Today show did segments from the store, and again in 1988. If you were lucky enough to stop by the store when candidates were present you were warmly greeted.

Several generations of Fecteau children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren all worked at the store. They learned to read, learned how to count, and learned to solve math problems while working. How many 6 year olds do you know that can make change from a \$100.00 bill, for a \$1.99 sale? And, counted the correct change back to the customer!

In 2003, the Vallone's made the hard decision to close the store. Fecteau's Country Store had been a mainstay for 69 years. Fecteau's store was a local icon. Soon the store was sold, and it became a popular fish market for several years. The fish market closed in 2015, and they were looking for a new owner. The property was purchased, and will become a "Beer and Wine" shop. Gregg, the new owner, has done extensive work on the building, inside and out, making it

better than new. Gregg gave the Historical Society a wonderful poster for the Richfield Gas Company that he found in the attic. We will have the poster framed to display at the Society.

We are open Mondays from 8:00 to 12:00, or whenever the flag is flying. If the hours are not convenient for you, please call 679-2944 and I can make an appointment to meet you there.

Submitted by Joy True, Curator

The Civil War Roundtable of NH



*NH graves at Soldiers' Cemetery in Gettysburg
(Photo by Bill Hallett)*

Next year, Epping is celebrating the town's 275th Anniversary. On May 20, 2016, our CWRT-NH is celebrating 25 years meeting in Epping. All are welcome to attend this and all of our meetings in the 2015/2016 season.

Attendance has no requirements, come as a guest or even better be part of history and become a member (individuals and families welcomed).

Please go onto our website www.cwrtnh.org for more information.

This is the CWRT-NH schedule for 2015-2016:

Note: The schedule is subject to change without notice. You can access the CWRT-NH website for the current schedule. If a meeting is cancelled, a notice will be put on ETV.

November 13, 2015 – Bob Korkuc – "1st Sgt. Charles Phelps of the 5th NH at Gettysburg"

December 2015 – no meeting

January 15, 2016 – Michael Schroeder (pres CWRTNH) – "Union Combined Forces: Vicksburg, MS 1862-63."

February 19, 2016 – Larry Olasky – "Civil War

Railroads"

March 18, 2016 – Bob Sullivan – "Charles Reed: Confederate Naval Raider"

April 15, 2016 – Pat Falci – "Gen. A.P. Hill at Gettysburg"

May 20, 2016 – **CWRT of New Hampshire's 25th Anniversary! SPECIAL EVENT** featuring New Hampshire's own Civil War musical group, "The Hardtacks!" **More info to come!**

June 17, 2016 – Bill Hallett – "C.S.S. Shenandoah and the End of the Civil War"

July & August – No meeting - summer break

September 16, 2016 – Don Streeter – "Civil War Town Memorials in New Hampshire"

October 14, 2016 – Chuck Veit – "Sea Mariner: Major E. B. Hunt's Rocket Torpedo of 1863!"

November 11, 2016 – Clay Feeter – CWRTNH Ancestor Soldier Campaign Map

December 2016 – no meeting

*Submitted by Dan Bennis Board Member, CWRT-NH
dddbennis@msn.com (Feel free to e-mail me with any questions.)*

Lamprey Rivers Advisory Committee Fall Turnover

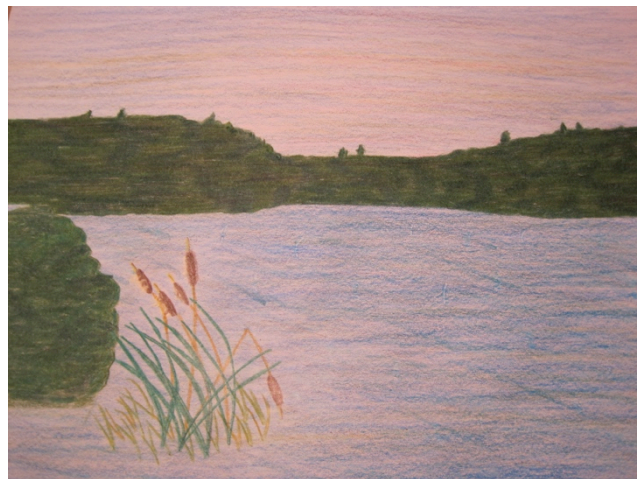


image by S.Petersen

With the onset of November, days continue to shorten, temperatures continue to drop and the natural world settles in for the harsh times ahead. Although much of the preparation is essentially a time of closure, nature is also already preparing for the next season of growth. This is true in the water as well as on land.

During the summer, water in a deep lake stratifies, forming distinct layers. At the surface and down 2 yards or so, attached plants and free-floating algae use the sun and dissolved nutrients to create new biomass and add oxygen. The water near the surface is warm due to direct energy from the sun and from contact with warm air. Meanwhile,

the water at the bottom is cold and the dominant biological activity is bacterial decomposition. The water at the bottom can become low in dissolved oxygen. Cold water and warm water have different densities. Unless the two are vigorously mixed, they remain separated, much like oil and water.

With fall's lower air temperatures and less direct sun, the water at the surface cools. The surface water and the bottom water are now a similar temperature and density. The two layers begin to mix. Oxygen-rich, nutrient-poor water from the surface sinks and oxygen-poor, nutrient-rich water from the bottom rises. This mixing is greatly enhanced by the strong winds that blow across the lake's surface, causing waves.

As winter progresses, ice forms a protective cap on the lake. The lake once again becomes layered, with lighter almost icy water (32-34°F) at the top and denser, slightly warmer water about (40°F) at the bottom. A small amount of photosynthesis takes place under the ice. Decomposition continues at the bottom, depleting oxygen and releasing nutrients. When the ice melts in spring, the water at the surface warms slightly so that the temperature throughout the lake is similar. Spring winds help to mix the lake one last time before the new season of growth begins.

Fun Fact:

Water is an unusual compound. Most liquids are densest when they are coldest. This is true with water, but only to a point. Water freezes at 32°F or 0°C, but it is densest at 39-40°F or 4°C. Ice floats because its density is lower than that of cold water.

Walking Trail Feasibility Study 2015

As part of a National Park Service "Call to Action" grant, the Lamprey Rivers Advisory Committee investigated the feasibility of creating a walking trail that follows the Lamprey River corridor from Mary Blair Park in Epping to the Sweet Trail in Newmarket.

As part of the project, nine maps were created that show where the path might go: one map shows the overall route, the other eight show detailed sections. Overall, the concept appears to be quite possible. Of course, the study revealed some barriers that will take significant time and effort to overcome: large wetlands, high-traffic arterial highways, privately held lands, and areas of dense residential development. The study also revealed that some stretches could be constructed in short order. Our Recreation Working Group will be

devoting time in the near future to see if there is local interest in developing these segments.

To view the report and the maps, please visit <http://www.lampreyriver.org/recreation-walking-trail-feasibility-study>.

Lamprey Rivers Advisory Committee Annual Report

Oct. 1, 2014-Sept. 30, 2015

LRAC Accomplishments: Representatives from towns in the Lamprey River watershed began implementing the rivers management plan with help from multiple partners. The final plan, approved on Sept. 26, 2013, is available at town offices and on www.lampreyriver.org.

Land Protection: The Wild and Scenic Subcommittee has protected 2803 acres and 9.98 miles of river frontage since 1999. An additional 260 acres will be added in late 2015.

Education and Outreach: LRAC engaged the public through a river herring fish day at McCallen Dam, events at schools and libraries, and displays at local fairs. A new children's book was written and will be available in 2016. Many articles were published in town newsletters.

Recreation: Working with the Lamprey River Watershed Association, woody material obstructing canoeists between Route 87 in Epping and Wadleigh Falls in Lee was mapped and assessed for potential relocation to improve passage. The committee designed, funded, and installed a permanent sign for the Lee Public Canoe Launch. A grant was secured from the National Park Service to do a feasibility assessment for a walking path along the river in the four lower towns. The final report is available at www.lampreyriver.org under "recreation."

Water Issues: Wild and Scenic Subcommittee funding ensured that years of volunteer water quality data were not interrupted. The water quality work group continued collating years of data from multiple sources with the goal of making these data more accessible and understandable to the public.

Project Review: The project review workgroup reviewed and commented on sixteen projects that were submitted to the state for environmental permits. These comments were considered by NHDES prior to issuance of permits. The committee notified NHDES of several issues along the river and requested follow-up.

Plans for 2016 and Issues to Watch: The full committee will continue its main duties to work on issues identified in the 2013 Lamprey Rivers Management Plan. LRAC will continue to perform

project reviews, support ecological research, fund volunteer water quality monitoring, and engage the public through its outreach efforts in nature, recreation, and history.



*Helping communities protect the
Lamprey River.*

Submitted by Suzanne Petersen



Epping Garden Club

The Epping Garden Club would like to thank everyone who stopped by to pick up a Fall Mum or a container of "Bunny Tail" grasses and even Pansies - we almost sold out! We had just a couple left that we added to our planted areas in town. Many thanks to Epping McDonald's for the use of their property for the whole weekend. Thanks Joyce for collecting the orders that came in from ETV and Facebook. I hope you know how much we appreciate all you do for us.

We are early in talking about our "Holiday Fundraiser" but it takes time to get the word out to residents and businesses in our town, that we are offering beautiful, NH grown, greenhouse fresh, Poinsettias. Traditional red is the color most people want but if you need something different, please ask and we will call the grower. We sell at a very reasonable price and will offer them in three sizes: 4.5" for \$5.00, 6" for \$8.00 and 8" for \$20.00.

The plants will come to Epping in a warm truck with a protective plastic sleeve to keep them healthy should the weather be chilly. We are working on a place we can keep them warm till they're picked up. We will update our Facebook page, Epping Garden Club, with photos of plants as they are growing, as well as time and place for picking up your order. Please add a LIKE to our page and keep up on what is happening with our Fundraiser.

It seems many worry about these beautiful plants, about their safety for children and pets: <http://extension.illinois.edu/poinsettia/facts.cfm>

We thank you so much for your continued support of our small group of dedicated volunteers who try to make a difference in our town of Epping.

The Epping Garden Club

Submitted by Eunice Miller

UNH Cooperative Extension Master Gardener Program

Do you love gardening and sharing your

experiences with others? Consider becoming a Master Gardener volunteer for UNH Cooperative Extension. This is an opportunity to share the knowledge and experiences gained from our training to educate individuals, schools, organizations and communities. A Master Gardener class is being offered in Goffstown on Tuesdays, 9 am to 4 pm., from February 9th through April 26th. The class cost is \$250 with the option of purchasing a handbook for \$25 (on-line version is free). Applications are due by December 10th. For more information, visit bit.ly/UNHCEMG, e-mail Marcy Stanton at marcy.stanton@unh.edu or call 351-3831.

UNH Cooperative Extension puts trusted information and practical know-how in the hands of citizens and businesses in New Hampshire. Extension is at work in every New Hampshire county, making the state's critical industries stronger; developing vibrant communities and municipal leaders; fostering healthy families and an informed and engaged citizenry, and keeping the state's natural resources healthy and productive.



Leddy Center

The next production in the Leddy Center's 2015 schedule will be "Charlotte's Web," on stage from **October 23rd to November 11th**. This will be followed by "A Christmas Carol" from **December 4th to 13th** to close out the season.

Individual tickets are \$18 and available online at www.leddycenter.org or by calling the Leddy box office at 679-2781, Monday through Friday, from 3:00 to 5:00 pm. Call the box office for information on group rates.



ETV Schedule

Channel 22 – ETV – Schedule of live programs

Monday–Nov. 2,9,16,23,30; Dec. 7,14,21 –

Selectmen –7 pm

Tuesday–Nov. 3; Dec. 1 – Water & Sewer –7 pm

Tuesday–Nov. 17; Dec. 15–Library Trustees –7 pm

Tuesday–Nov. 10; Dec. 8 – Conservation –7 pm

Wednesday–Nov. 4; Dec. 2 – Parks & Recreation

Commission –7 pm

Wednesday–Nov. 18; Dec. 2, 16–Budget – 7 pm

Thursday–Nov. 5, 19; Dec. 3,17 – School Board –7 pm

Thursday–Nov. 12; Dec. 10 –Planning Board –6 pm

Friday– Nov. 13; – Civil War Roundtable – 7:15 pm

Monday meetings are rebroadcast:

1/2 hour after meeting
Tuesday - 7 am
Wednesday - 11 am
Thursday - 3 pm
Monday - 2 am

Tuesday meetings are rebroadcast:

1/2 hour after meeting
Wednesday - 7 am
Thursday - 11 am
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Tuesday - 2 am

Wednesday meetings are rebroadcast:

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Tuesday - 3 pm
Wednesday - 2 am

Thursday meetings are rebroadcast:

1/2 hour after meeting
Monday - 7 am
Tuesday - 11 am
Wednesday - 3 pm
Thursday - 2 am

All dates and times are subject to change.
Please consult the ETV Bulletin Board or the Town website for any changes or updates.

Always remember that Board meetings are available any time at your convenience if you go to <http://etv22@pegcentral.com>. They are usually available the day following their "live" broadcast.

"Live" video streaming is also available. Watch live meetings anywhere while they're broadcast: http://etv22.pegcentral.com/live/live_etv22.html.

The new ETV email is epplingtv22@gmail.com.



Scouting Around Epping

Cub Scout Pack 136

Cub Scouting has ideals of spiritual and character growth, citizenship training and personal fitness. The Scout Oath is a pledge of duty to God and family. The Scout Law is a simple formula for good Cub Scouting and good citizenship. The Cub Scout motto, "Do Your Best," is a code of excellence. We believe in involving families and Cub Scouting provides opportunities for families to work and play together and have fun together.

November Pack Meeting: **Wednesday, November 18th** from 6:30 to 7:30 pm at the Epping Middle School

December Pack Meeting: **Wednesday,**

December 16th from 6:30 to 7:30 pm at the Epping Middle School

How to help the Scouts:

Empties4cash fundraising program:

We are collecting unwanted or used inkjet cartridges and recycling them as a fundraiser. We have collection sites at the Library, the Town Hall and the Epping Community Church or you can give them to any Cub Scout.

For information about the program visit <http://www.empties4cash.com>.

Thank you for your support!

If you would like information about joining Cub Scouts, please contact our **Cubmaster, Jeff Falkingham** at cubmaster@pack136epping.org.

Join us on Facebook and keep track of the Pack <http://m.facebook.com/group.php?gid=199059685109&fbf=r6c4d2187&refid=46> or go to our website where you can find more Pack information at <http://www.pack136epping.org/calendar>.

Boy Scout Troop 136

This fall the boys have been very busy. The boys had a fabulous time at their Camp Fatima retreat where they were able to do the high ropes course and had a dance with the Girl Scouts.

The NH Jamboree was held at the NH Motor Speedway. There were lots of fun activities the boys were able to participate in, including Rock Climbing, Knockerball, BB Gun shooting, Shotgun Shooting, Rifle Shooting, Robotics, Pinewood Derby and many more. Saturday night included a fireworks show. Great fun was had by all.

We had our fall Court of Honor where lots of awards and rank advancements were received.

AJ J. received 2 Merit Badges: Small Boat Sailing and Space Exploration

Alex C. received the Railroading Merit Badge and BSA Mile Swim

David M. received Tenderfoot Rank and 4 Merit Badges: Art, Fingerprinting, Leatherwork and Swimming

Skip R. received 2 Merit Badges: Canoeing and Rifle Shooting

Taylor S. received 4 Merit Badges: Art, Fingerprinting, Leatherwork and Railroading

Tim G. received 5 Merit Badges: Art, Kayaking, Programming, Railroading and Swimming

Zachary H. received Tenderfoot and Second Class Ranks and 4 Merit Badges: Art, Fingerprinting, Leatherwork and Swimming

Greg M. received 2 Merit Badges: Fingerprinting and Swimming

James W. received First Class Rank and 2 Merit Badges: Fishing and Programming

Josh H. received the Kayaking Merit Badge

Patrick M. received the Fireman's Chit and 4 Merit Badges: Fingerprinting, Swimming, Leatherwork and Weather

Peter M. received 3 Merit Badges: Emergency Prep, Swimming and Weather

Tyler G. received 3 Merit Badges: Fingerprinting, Swimming and Weather

Aaron S. received 3 Merit Badges: Art, Fingerprinting and Railroading

Alex W. received Star Scout Rank, BSA Mile Swim and 6 Merit Badges: Camping, Emergency Prep, Kayaking, Pioneering, Railroading and Welding

Andrew T. received Tenderfoot and Second Class Ranks and 5 Merit Badges: Fingerprinting, Leatherwork, Railroad, Swimming and Weather

Blake Y. received Tenderfoot Rank and 6 Merit Badges: Fingerprinting, Fishing, Rifle Shooting, Leatherwork, Swimming and Weather

Lathan R. received BSA Mile Swim and 3 Merit Badges: Fingerprinting, Railroading and Swimming

Logan S. received 2 Merit Badges: Canoeing and Leatherwork

Ryan M. received the Space Exploration Merit Badge

Justin B. received 2 Merit Badges: Citizenship in the World and Kayaking

Ryan S. received Star Scout Rank and 2 Merit Badges: Environmental Science and Space Exploration

Zac O. received the Kayaking Merit Badge

We would like to thank everyone who has helped support us in our annual Popcorn and Yankee Candle fundraisers. In November and December we will be selling our 2016 Scout Calendars for \$5 a piece.

Justin B. has been working on his Eagle Project where he is refurbishing a historical trail at Mary Blair Park. He has had lots of help from the Troop and many donations from the community. The project is almost complete.

Our annual Scouting For Food community service project will take place in November. Scouts will be putting out fliers on **November 7th** to request donations for the local Community Church Food Pantry. The boys will be picking up the food donations on the morning of **November 14th**. Please help us support our community.

The boys will be camping at Camp Straw on **November 14th and 15th** following our food collection.

We will have our Christmas Court of Honor on **December 14th** at the Community Church.

If you have a son who is interested in Boy Scouts please call Scoutmaster Stephen Sylvain at 682-4801.

Submitted by Pat Oumansour



Epping Fire Department

Daylight Savings Time will end on **November 1st**. "Fall Back" Please be sure to check the batteries in your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. If you need help, call the Fire Department and we will give you assistance. Smoke Detectors Save Lives! Carbon Monoxide Detectors do, too!

On **Saturday October 31st** the Epping Fireman's Association will hold their annual Halloween Trick or Treat party at the Safety Complex with a Haunted Walk, refreshments, and of course candy!

An annual Epping and Brentwood Stuff the Bus with Christmas Presents Drive will be held from 9 am to 5 pm on **November 28th and 29th** at Walmart.

On **Sunday December 20th** Santa Claus will be escorted around Epping leaving the Safety Complex at 3:00 pm. Santa is going to take time out from getting toys ready for Christmas and is going to come to Epping on a fire truck. Listen for the sirens! When you hear the sirens, you'll know that Santa is coming to your neighborhood!

The Epping Fire Department has a certified car seat inspector on staff. However, due to a rotating schedule, please call and schedule an appointment. Deputy Chapman can be reached at 679-5446.

Burn Permits are required for **all outside burning**. Permits will be issued at the fire station 7 days a week, 6:00 am-6:00 pm. Permits **Will Not** be issued when fire danger is class 3 or above.

If you have any questions contact the fire department at 679-5446

For Daily Fire Danger and an explanation of the different danger levels, follow the link below.

<http://www.nhdfi.org/fire-control-and-law-enforcement/daily-fire-danger.aspx>

Epping Explorer Posts

Fire Department Explorer Post 716

On **Saturday November 21st** the Epping Fire Department Explorer Post will host our annual Red Cross Blood Drive at the Safety Complex. The

hours are 10:00 am to 3:00 pm.

Exploring is part of the Learning for Life program of the Boy Scouts of America. We are co-ed and welcome all youth ages 14 to 20 years of age. Our meetings are held at the Epping Safety Complex on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays 6:30 to 8:00 pm. We are career oriented and welcome youth to check out the Fire and EMS services as a possible career.

Explorers learn how to use the Fire Department equipment and do search and rescue. Once the probationary (learning) period is over, they may assist on fire calls. Explorers are allowed to ride on the apparatus if seats are available and assist firefighters with the self-contained breathing apparatus (SCBA), supervise the rescue truck and perform many other duties at a fire scene.

For more information contact Captain Cliff Cray at 396-9436 or deacon100@comcast.net.

Police Department Explorer Post 714

Youth 14 and older may also join the Police Explorer Post by calling 679-5122.

American Legion News

Children's Christmas Party in Epping

The Ladies Auxiliary of the American Legion Post 51 in Epping is hosting a Children's Christmas Party on **Sunday, December 13th, from 1 to 3 pm.** (This year it will be on **Sunday**.) It is open to Epping children and the children/grandchildren of the Members of Post 51. The eligible ages are 0-10 years old. We hear that Santa will be making a special visit! In order to make sure that Santa has a gift for all the kids, *please make sure all eligible children are signed up before the deadline date of December 6th. Prior sign up is required. No calls after that date will be accepted.* Please call Linda at 944-5429 or Janet at 944-3288 and let us know your name, your children's ages, and boy or girl. Again, the deadline date for signing up is **Sunday, December 6th**. We will have some crafts to do while we wait for Santa to arrive and there will be light snacks, juice and water. It will be held in the non-smoking Harry Bradshaw Memorial Hall of the American Legion on Route 125 in Epping (across from Telly's Restaurant).

Monthly Breakfast Buffets

Monthly second Sunday breakfasts are being held from 8:00 to 11:00 am. Come enjoy our hot Breakfast Buffets on **Sunday, November 8th** and **Sunday, December 13th** - eggs, bacon, sausage, toast, pancakes, home fries, and coffee are all piping hot and ready to be enjoyed. Bring your

newspaper and your appetite!

The Buffet is \$6.00 a plate, \$4.00 per child and worth every penny!

High Awards at 4-H Horse Show



4-H member Keelin Berger of Epping was awarded the Lake Region Show Series Award (Top Gymkhana Exhibitor) at the NH State 4-H Horse Show. Berger is a member of the Fremont Peppermint Ponies 4-H Club.

4-H Members from across New Hampshire gathered at the Deerfield Fairgrounds on July 17, 18 and 19 for the NH State 4-H Horse Show. 4-H members work for months to prepare themselves and their animals and qualified at their previously held county event in order to participate at the State Horse Show.

Ninety 4-H members participated in show events, including a horse knowledge quiz, horse judging, fitting and showmanship, and several styles of horse showing including riding, driving, and in-hand classes. Those showing their horses work together as a team with the junior leaders from their county. During the event, run by over 30 4-H volunteers, the youth do all the work to prepare

and show their animals with assistance from other youth 4-H'ers.

The Rockingham County 4-H members who earned High Awards at 2015 NH State 4-H Horseshow included: **Karissa Martin of Epping, Junior Horse Rider Quiz and Judging Combine Award** and **Keelin Berger of Epping, Lake Region Show Series Award (Top Gymkhana Exhibitor)**.

Our last issue had a picture of Karissa. We were able to obtain a picture of Keelin for this issue.

Submitted by Donna Funtal

Epping Community Church

Ladies Aide: The Ladies Aide will be taking orders for 14" Christmas wreaths beginning this Sunday, **November 1st**. All orders must be in with payment no later than **November 8th**. Order forms are available on the table in the Narthex. Pick up date for the wreaths is planned for **Saturday, November 28th** between 8 am and 10 am. Purchase price per wreath is \$10.00.

Ladies Aide Pizza Buffet following worship on **Sunday, December 13th**. The pizza buffet will feature cheese or pepperoni pizza, your choice for a donation to help support the work of the Ladies Aide. The Sunday before (**December 6th**) if you wish to order an entire pizza to take home you may enter your name on a sign up sheet provided that morning in Fellowship Hall. Take home pizzas are \$10.00.

Our **Third Saturday Dinners** continue to be very popular. We serve from 5:00 to 6:30 pm. On **November 21st** we will be offering a Roast Turkey Dinner with all the trimmings. The dinners cost \$9.00 for adults and \$4.50 for children.

Thanksgiving Service—Union Church of Danville: We have been invited again this year to bring the Thanksgiving Eve worship at the Union Church of Danville. The date is **November 25th** at 7:00 p.m. It would be wonderful if we could fill at least half of the church with our church family. The time together is a wonderful way to usher in a spirit of thanks giving and preparation for entering into the season of expectancy, Advent. Put this event on your calendar and plan to join in for a wonderful worship service.

Advent and Christmas: Advent begins Sunday, November 29th. For four Sundays we will prepare for the celebration of the birth of Jesus. Our Christmas Eve service of Song and Candle lighting will be **Thursday, December 24th** at 7:00 pm.

Building Dedication: We will soon be

announcing the Sunday morning in which we will officially dedicate our new building addition, the Brodhead Annex. We will gather on that morning for our worship service to thank God for his wonderful blessings, abiding presence and faithfulness.

The Mission We Support: Through our General Budget the first 10% received through general offerings is budgeted toward missions inreach* and outreach*. The Spiritual Development Committee has oversight for the services we provide and support. Following are the missions we support (these are not listed in any order of priority or need).

- Heifer International: www.heifer.org (outreach on global scale)
- Bethany Children's Home: www.bethanyhome.org (outreach with children's emphasis)
- Church World Service: www.cwsglobal.org (outreach on a global scale)
- Red Bird Medical Mission: www.redbirdconference.org (outreach within Continental U.S.)
- CHIA: chiamissions.org (outreach South of the Continental U.S.)
- Pastor's Discretionary Fund (local inreach and outreach)
- Local Missions Support (local inreach and outreach)

Support beyond and outside of our General Budget

- Epping Community Cares Food Pantry (has its own governing board and focuses on local outreach – Jennifer Yergeau is chair of the board and coordinates food pantry, coats of caring and Soup of the Day)
- Coats of Caring – coats, mittens, scarves (local outreach)
- Thursday Soup of the Day Café (local inreach and outreach)
- Thanksgiving Dinner for Others – served here at the church in fellowship hall on **Thanksgiving Day** from 11 am until 12:30 pm. (local inreach and outreach). Where there are needs we deliver the Thanksgiving lunch to the shut-in's home. (Kevin Murphy heads up food preparation, etc.)
- Tele-Care – daily telephone calls to those who wish to be called. The program provides assurance that someone will be in touch when the individual lives alone. (Mary Savage is our contact person and coordinator for this program)

St. Joseph Catholic Church

208 Pleasant St. (Rte 27)
Epping, NH 03042
Office telephone: 679-8805

Mass schedule weekdays:

Monday 8:00 am

Tues, Thurs, Fri. 7:30 am

Wednesday 7:00 pm

Mass schedule weekends:

Saturday 8:00 am

Sunday 8:00 am, 10:30 am and 6:00 pm

November

Mondays – Adoration – Noon to 9 pm

First Friday, Nov. 6th Adoration – 8 am to midnight

First Saturday, Nov. 7th Adoration – midnight to 7:45 am

Fridays – Adoration – 8 am to 7 pm

November 18th – Healing Service – 7:30 pm

November 26th – Thanksgiving Mass – 9:00 am

December

Mondays – Adoration – Noon to 9 pm

First Friday, Dec. 4th Adoration – 8 am to midnight

First Saturday, Dec. 5th Adoration – midnight to 7:45 am

Fridays – Adoration – 8 am to 7 pm

No Healing Service

December 12th – Christmas Concert – 5 pm

Christmas Masses

December 24th – 4 pm, 7 pm and 10 pm

December 25th – Christmas Mass – 10 am

If you have any questions, please call the Rectory Office 679-8805 or check our website at <http://stjosepheppingnh.com> for further information.

Epping Bible Baptist Church

Epping Bible Church invites you to join them throughout the week at 243 Pleasant Street in Epping.

Our Sunday mornings begin with a full, free breakfast starting at 8:15 am, followed by Sunday School for all ages at 9:30 am and morning service at 10:45 am. Sunday evening service begins at 5:00 pm. Families are welcome.

Sunday School features classes for all ages, from 2 year olds all the way to adults.

A free nursery for children – infants through four years – is provided during the morning and evening services. Children ages four through third grade are invited to Junior Church during the morning service after praise and worship time.

Wednesday nights they have a Bible Study,

currently going through the Gospel of Mark, at 6:30 pm at the parsonage..

The Awana program (ages three through grade 6) will start again in the fall. The weekly Friday night meetings help children learn about God's Word. There is also morning cubbies (ages 3 and 4) Awana group on Friday mornings at 9:30 am. Please contact Dora Brown at 702-2650 or at awana@eppingbible.org.

Our services can be seen on Sunday mornings on ETV – channel 22, and on our website.

Epping Bible Church is located at 243 Pleasant Street, Epping. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Ron Townsend at 247-0405 or PastorRon@eppingbible.org. Visit them online at www.eppingbible.org.

West Epping Quaker Meeting House

The West Epping Meeting grew out of the Seabrook Quarterly Meeting in the middle of the 18th century. Records show that Joshua Folsom was a recorded minister among Friends in the community in 1772 – though he may have commenced his activities even earlier. The present Meeting House was built in 1851. The surrounding tall pines, dating from this period, have been a distinguishing feature of West Epping Village.

West Epping Friends meet for silent worship at 10 am every first and third Sunday of the month. We welcome visitors to our meetings to join with us. For those who would enjoy just visiting the Meeting House they may call the Clerk, Fritz Bell, at 244-1119 for a tour.



Harvey-Mitchell Memorial Library

Epping's Public Library

151 Main Street

734-4587 (Adult Dept.)

679-5944 (Youth Dept.)

679-5884 (Fax)

harvmitch@gmail.com

www.eppinglibrary.com

Youth Dept. e-mail: hmmlyouth@gmail.com

Youth Dept. Facebook page:

<http://www.facebook.com/eppinglibrary>

Hours: Monday, Friday, Saturday 10 – 5

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 10 – 8

Closed:

Wednesday November 11th for Veterans Day

Thursday, November 26th for Thanksgiving

Friday December 25th for Christmas

Friday January 1st for New Years

Zentangle

Wednesdays 6 - 8 pm December 2, 9, 16

Cyndy Pinard of Raymond will teach these fun and simple sequential workshops for adults and teens on doodling with patterns to create art. Cyndy will provide paper and pens. **Limited to ten participants.** Pre-registration required at 679-5944.

To Our Patrons:

The best part about being a library director is getting to know the patrons and sharing their enthusiasm for books and authors. I am retiring in October 2019 and I look forward to four more years of discovering the best new works with you. I have been a library director since 1987 and it is a privilege to end my career in Epping. Happy holidays and have a great 2016!!

Bradley

Submitted by Bradley A. Green, Library Director

Harvey-Mitchell Memorial Library Youth Room News for November and December

HMML is heading into the holiday season with many activities!

As usual, story time is on Monday at 11:00 am and 1:00 pm and on Friday at 11:30 am. On Wednesday, the Seacoast Learning Collaborative comes in at 10:15 am for story time and library activities. Since this is an older group, we invite homeschool students to attend this program.

In addition to the story times listed above, we are trying to have a special story time on one Saturday a month. This story time is planned and presented by the youth of our community. Faith Williamson held a story time on September 19th, which was also THANK A POLICE OFFICER DAY. Faith not only read a story and had a craft for the children, but invited Dan Needham, a state police officer and his dog, to visit with the children. It was a fantastic program! Now we are planning for a special Saturday program to be held on **November 21st**. Josiah, Julia and Joanna Reynolds are planning a First Thanksgiving skit to be held at 10:30 am. Please plan on joining Josiah and the rest of the Pilgrims and Native Americans for their play with a craft to follow!

Another program we are trying to set up also involves Epping youth. With the help of the local schools, we are setting up displays that show off the many talents of our youngsters. Currently, Jack Meyer's artwork is on display in the youth room. ECHOES OF PICASSO will be on display for several more weeks. Do come in and enjoy Jack's wonderful art exhibit.

On **Friday, November 6th**, the Epping students have the day off. HMML is planning on showing a movie at 1:30pm.

The youth room continues to host the Girl Scouts on Wednesday afternoon and evening. The library will be closed on Wednesday November 11th – Veterans Day, Thursday November 26th – Thanksgiving Day.

December promises to be a busy month. We are planning to have our holiday party on **Saturday, December 19th**, with a special program. Please contact the library for more information. The library will be closing early on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve. The library will be closed on December 25th, Christmas Day and January 1st, New Year's Day.

For more information call the youth room at 679-5944, e-mail at hmml youth@gmail.com, or visit us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/eppinglibrary.

Submitted by Ben Brown

Epping Y.O.U.T.H. Coalition

(Youth Organizations Unite To Help)

"WE CAN'T HELP EVERYONE, BUT EVERYONE CAN HELP SOMEONE."

WHO WE ARE: Epping Y.O.U.T.H. Coalition (Youth Organizations Unite To Help)

PURPOSE: To empower our youth to make positive choices through coordinated activities

What you can do - get Involved!

How can YOU make a Positive Life Changing Difference?

By Building Relationships Over Shared Interests!

LEAD or HELP WITH an Activity below ~ One Afternoon/week

- Bikes, BMX, Mountain Biking
- Building cool stuff with wood -- from bookshelf to shed
- Auto repair/building/modifying/restoring, Work on a Project Car
- Drag Racing
- Video games meets, tournaments, etc. Roblox
- Live Action Role Play
- Cooking
- Martial arts
- Pick-up basketball, soccer, football, Nerf dodgeball, ultimate foam frisbee
- Musician jam sessions or start a small band
- Art of some form
- Drama, Comedy and/or Movie Making. Literary -- story/poem writing
- Singing, How to Dance or Gymnastics

- Jewelry-making
- Computer or Electronics building/repair
- Trendy Hair-do's -- How to do Do's ... and/or Cosmetology
- Group Games
- Sewing, Clothes Design...Knitting, basket-weaving, or crafts

Next Meetings: 3rd Wednesdays, **November 18th** and **December 16th**

For more information: Contact Linda Daigle at eppingYOUTH44@gmail.com
<https://www.facebook.com/EppingYouthCoalition>

Submitted by Linda Daigle

Epping Parks & Recreation Department News

Home of the "River Otters"

Director: Nicole Bizzaro

Temporary office at Epping Town Hall

Cell Phone: 608-9487

eppingrecreation@gmail.com

Join us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter

If you need to reach the Department, please contact Nicole, Recreation Director via e-mail at eppingrecreation@gmail.com or cell at 608-9487. The temporary Rec. Office has been set up on the 2nd floor at the Town Hall. Enter the main door and go up the stairs. There will be registration forms and other information available there. Any program payments can be given to staff at programs or can be mailed to us at 157 Main Street, Epping, NH 03042. Please make checks out to "Town of Epping." We appreciate your patience while we figure out our building issues.

Please follow us on Facebook for latest program updates, changes and announcements.

We are working on a few new preschool and adult programs for fall so stay tuned!

Town of Epping Halloween Fun October 31st

Town of Epping Trick or Treating – 5-7 pm

Goblin's Gala at the Fire Department and Pumpkin Stroll – 6-8 pm. There will be shuttle service from the Town Hall to and from the Safety Complex.

Help celebrate Epping's Birthday

In 2016, the Town of Epping will turn 275 years old! We are currently collecting names of interested residents who would be willing to serve on the Birthday Celebration Committee! Please send us an e-mail to eppingrecreation@gmail.com

or see Joyce in the Board of Selectmen's Office at the Town Hall if you are interested in helping.

Interested in helping out with Community Events? We can always use volunteers! Epping Parks & Recreation Department does not receive any tax dollars to run Community Events! We rely solely on donations and volunteers to offer such events! If you are interested in helping, please contact Nicole, Recreation Director at 608-9487 or send us an e-mail.

Preschool & Elementary School Program: Intro To Dance

The Diamond Dance Academy is excited to partner up with the Epping Recreation Department to offer the community an Intro to Dance program. These classes are designed to give dancers a taste of dance and what it has to offer. Diamond Dance Academy classes will be located in the Old Leddy Building on Main Street. Enter through the door to the Left of "The Porch" windows (Same entrance). All registrations and class questions should be directed to Sue at Diamond Dance Academy.

For ages 3-5 years

Focus will be on teaching children basic movement skills, class disciplines and building self-confidence. Students are given the basic fundamentals and class disciplines of Ballet and Tap in a structured, yet fun and nurturing environment. Class will meet at the Diamond Dance Academy on Saturdays 11:00 – 11:45 am. The cost is: \$70.

For ages 6-8 years

This class is a great combination of basics in Ballet and Jazz with a little Hip Hop. This class provides a variety for students looking to move and groove. Class will consist of a center warm-up to strengthen the body and increase flexibility along with traveling steps across the floor and center combinations. Class will be held at the Diamond Dance Academy on Saturdays from 11:45 am to 12:30 pm. The cost is \$70.

"We look forward to sharing our love of dance with you and your families."

Please feel free to contact Sue with questions: Diamonddancenrh@gmail.com. To register, please visit Diamond Dance Academy Online Reg. Site: <https://app.jackrabbitclass.com/reg.asp?id=519042>.

Learn to Ski or Snowboard at McIntyre!

Epping Recreation will be partnering with McIntyre Ski Area in Manchester NH to provide ski and snowboard lessons to Epping students during

McIntyre's Mighty Macs After School lesson program!

The Mighty Macs program at McIntyre teaches children the fundamentals of skiing and snowboarding in a small-group setting.

Classes are structured according to age and ability. The lessons are 2 hours long and there are 6 children per group (levels 1-3) and up to 8 children per group (levels 4+). The lessons run for 5 consecutive weeks.

Epping Recreation will be attending Snowsports Club at McIntyre on Thursdays from 4:00 to 6:00 pm beginning January 7, 2016. Lessons will take place on: Jan. 7, Jan. 14, Jan. 21, Jan. 28, Feb. 4.

Dates for McIntyre Lesson Informational Sessions (at McIntyre in the Lodge):

Sunday, November 1 from 5 pm-6 pm

Sunday, November 4 from 6 pm-7 pm

Sunday, November 7 from 5 pm-6 pm

Sunday, November 11 from 6 pm-7 pm

Sunday, November 14 from 5 pm-6 pm

Sunday, November 18 from 6 pm-7 pm

Sunday, November 21 from 5 pm-6 pm

You are welcome to attend any of the info sessions above that work for your schedule. Bring your child along and register for lessons, get fitted for rentals and check out our great selection of winter gear in the Ski Shop.

If you are interested in having your child participate in Snowsports Club, please contact Nicole Bizzaro: eppingrecreation@gmail.com.

Mighty Mac Lesson Cost (all 5 weeks)

Lessons: \$145

Rentals: \$65

Helmet: \$15

Open Ski (Lift ticket only, level 4+): \$65

Elementary School Programs

Before & After School Program:

Don't forget to turn in your Fall Before and After School program registration. You can drop it off at Town Hall to be placed in our mailbox or mail to us at 157 Main St., Epping. Children will not be allowed to attend without registration. We are in and out of the office until school starts, so please leave a message at 608-9487 or send us an e-mail at eppingrecreation@gmail.com with questions. We will respond as soon as we can. We will also be sending out e-mails with any further paperwork needed and payment schedules.

Grades K-7

6:45 – 8:25 am and 3:10-5:45 pm – Before School Program at Epping Elementary School Gym

3:15 – 4:15 pm – After School Program meets in

EES Library, goes to EMS Café & Playground, then to EES Gym till close.

Call Nicole for more information at 608-9487.

Martial Arts Programs at Epping Recreation and Elementary School (offered by Epping ATA)

Karate Classes

Mondays (EES Gym) and Thursdays (MS Stage) 3:10 – 4:15 pm, \$65 per month

For more information or to sign up your child, please contact Mrs. DeNapoli at 674-6599 or e-mail her at eppingata@gmail.com.

ALL beginners receive a FREE Uniform.

Middle/High School Programs

8th – 12th Grade CIT program is back again this year. Students who like working with children and want to gain experience may apply to be a Counselor-In-Training. School year and summer positions are available and it's FREE! For an application, please contact the Rec. Department.

Both the Application and two Reference Forms need to be returned to the Recreation Director at Town Hall, 157 Main Street, for review. Without references (non-related), applications will not be accepted. CIT positions are limited! We will call all applicants in for an initial interview with the Recreation Director and Program Director. The CIT program is not a full summer, full week program. Each CIT will be given a schedule of days and hours they will be assigned to complete their volunteer time with us. CIT's will ASSIST staff in running programs for kids, preparing materials for programs, helping with general clean up after programs and being role models for children participating in programs. Most CIT hours are completed on school grounds (no field trip hours). If a CIT shows exemplary skills in assisting children during on-grounds programs, we may contact those parents to arrange for field trip volunteer hours.

Adult Programs

Adult Basketball

Want to play some adult basketball? Come join The Epping Recreation Department for some pick up co-ed basketball in the Epping Middle School Gym on Sunday nights.

Day / Time: Sunday – 7:00 – 9:00 pm

Location: Epping Middle School Gym

Cost: \$30 for 10 nights – Please make check out to the "Town of Epping." If paying in cash, please

bring exact change.

Each participant is required to sign a waiver form prior to playing and payment. Waiver forms will be available at the gym. We will have a sign-in sheet, to keep track of the days used. Once you have used your ten nights, please bring in your next payment of \$30 for ten additional nights. You will not be allowed to play if we do not have a signed waiver and payment. The payment covers the cost of the staff to provide this program.

Please check our Facebook page for updates on programs, including cancellations. We will also notify you via e-mail of any program changes, so please provide a current e-mail address.

Zumba

Zumba is currently on hold due to the Instructor's illness. Please check Facebook for updates.

<http://www.facebook.com/zumbawithcassandra>.

2015 UNH Ski Sale

Skis/Boards/Skates/Apparel

Sunday, November 1, 2015

At the UNH Field House

8:30 am – 4:30 pm

Great deals on new and used equipment

Free Raffle for NH Ski Area Tickets

Bring your equipment to SELL!

Great Family Deals! Huge Inventory!

Used equipment MUST be brought into the Field House on the day of the event between 8 and 9:30 am to be added to the sale. Pick up for unsold items will open at 4 pm.

For more information, contact Cory Schwartz:

corys@unh.edu 512-2317 or

brian.blank@unh.edu/969-4424

Non Profit Not a school sponsored event

The Porch

We are a not-for-profit organization.* Our goal is to demonstrate the unconditional love of God to our community by building relationships, meeting physical and financial needs, and sharing the Gospel of Jesus that transforms lives.

Epping Lighthouse will benefit the community in numerous ways, including:

Running a youth center for teenagers

Running a children's after-school program

Giving financially to families who are in need

Providing free family counseling

Organizing various programs for teenagers to service others

*We are currently waiting on the IRS to give us our final paperwork.

Kids Club

Our kids club is for kids in grades 1-5.

We will provide free pick up from EES, and provide snacks and drinks at no charge.

We have a structured time of singing, Bible Time and Game Time.

The club starts at 3:15 and goes until 5:00 pm.

Teen Central

Our Teen Central is geared for grades 6-12.

We offer pool, ping-pong, air hockey, and foosball.

We also have computers, a TV, board games and provide snacks and drinks at no charge.

Teen Central opens at 2:30 and goes till 4:30.

We provide classes and other events throughout the year as well.

We require all of our workers to complete a background check.

If you are interested, please check us out at www.eppinglighthouse.org or you can e-mail us at eppinglighthouse@hotmail.com to request a form.

Families First

support for families...health care for all

Epping Family Morning Out *Fridays, 9:30-11 am (except 11/27, 12/25, 1/1).* For children ages birth to six, with parents or other caregivers. Children will explore age-appropriate crafts and other activities, have positive play with peers and adults, and enjoy songs, stories and snack. Facilitator: Patricia Keck. Held at the SAU 14 Building (213 Main Street, Epping). Cost: Free Pre-registration not needed.

Exeter Family Morning Out *Thursdays (except 11/26, 12/24, 12/31), 9:30-11 am.* For children ages birth to six, with parents or other caregivers. Children will explore age-appropriate crafts and other activities, have positive play with peers and adults, and enjoy songs, stories and snack. Facilitator: Patricia Keck. Held at Exeter Parks and Recreation (32 Court Street, Exeter). Cost: Free Pre-registration not needed

For information call 422-8208, press 2, or visit <http://www.familiesfirstseacoast.org/programs.cfm>

Holiday Classes:

Family Holiday Traditions

Thursday morning, December 10, 9:30 am

What are you looking forward to this holiday season? What would you *like* to be looking

forward to? Come to this class to get ideas for inserting new traditions into your family's holidays and keeping these traditions around for years to come. Facilitated by Parkie Boley.

Cost: Free

Register now.

Make Your Own Holiday Gifts or Decorations

Tuesday evening, December 22, 6-7:30 pm

Join us in creating homemade holiday gifts and ornaments. During the first half of the evening, parents will learn tips on how to set up for projects (that can get messy!) with kids. The kids will be next door having a light dinner.

During the second part of the evening, parents and children together will make gifts and ornaments to take home. With Parkie Boley and Allison Dillon

Cost: Free

Register now.

Thankful Turkey Craft

During the weeks leading up to Thanksgiving, take some time with your kids to identify what they are thankful for. Their answers may surprise and delight you. And you'll get a festive decoration to boot! To find the directions, for the craft, go to



to
kidhaven.com and search for A Very Thankful Turkey.

All parents and children are welcome at our Parenting Classes, Parent-Child Groups and Parent Groups. **Advance registration is needed for most programs and is always needed for childcare;** please go to FamiliesFirstSeacoast.org and click on the Register for Family Programs button, or call 422-8208 x2.

Epping Students in the News

Spencer Holt joined Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute's Class of 2019. More than 1,400 freshmen

joined the Rensselaer community in Troy NY on August 31st with the first day of classes. They hail from 46 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and from countries all over the world.

Kayla MacLeod has enrolled as a member of the Class of 2019 at Colby-Sawyer College in New London, NH. MacLeod is a Child Development major.



Epping School District News

School Board Meeting Schedule

The Epping School Board holds regular meetings at 7:00 pm in the Epping Town Hall. The public is invited to attend. Meetings are also televised by ETV. Agendas and minutes are posted on the district website at www.sau14.org under School Board/Agenda & Minutes. ETV is also streaming meetings that you can watch live on your computer at: <http://etv.22.pegcentral.com>.

November 5th and 19th

December 3rd and 17th

Epping Elementary School (EES)

EES School Calendar

Nov. 2 – PTO meeting 7:00 pm in the EES Art Room. Free babysitting in the Library

Nov. 5 – Eagle Day – Veterans Day Assembly at 9:50 am

Nov. 6 – **NO SCHOOL** – Teacher Professional Development Day

Nov. 9,10,12,13 – Veterans Friendly Lunch Days

Nov. 11 – **NO SCHOOL** – Veterans Day

Nov. 13-23 – Student Council Food Drive

Nov. 17 – Grade 1 Field Trip to the Music Hall

Nov. 18 – EES National Honor Society Induction Ceremony for 4th Grade – 6:30 pm in EMS gym

Nov. 25-27 – **NO SCHOOL** – Thanksgiving Recess

Dec. 3 – Craft Fair – 6:00- 8:00 pm

Dec. 7 – PTO meeting 7:00 pm in the EES Art Room. Free babysitting in the Library

Dec. 7 – Chorus performs at Rockingham Nursing Home

Dec. 15 – Winter Concert for grades 1, 2, & 3 in EMS Gym – 6:30 pm

Dec. 16 – Winter Concert for grades 4 & 5, Band & Chorus in EMS Gym – 6:30 pm

Dec. 24-Jan. 1 – **NO SCHOOL** – Holiday Recess

EES Elections were held and the following students elected:

National Elementary Honor Society

President	Nathan McTague
Vice President	Aiden Dyer
Secretary	Leah Hackett
Treasurer	Daniel Johnson & Pacy Morgado

Student Council

President	Olivia Gosselin
Vice President	Sophie Bade
Secretary	Brooke Bacon
Treasurer	Sam Gosselin

Crafters and Vendors Needed for EES Craft Fair Thursday, December 3rd from 6 to 8 pm

The Epping Elementary School Art's Committee is sponsoring a Holiday Craft Fair to raise money to support our awesome Artist-in-Residence program. We are looking for Crafters and Vendors to come share their wares, too. Part of the appeal of this fair is that kids of all ages can come and make a variety of crafts to take home with them that day while their parents shop. This frees Mom and Dad to visit the various vendor/craft tables.

The event will take place at the Epping Elementary School multi-purpose room on **Thursday, December 3rd from 6-8 pm** with set-up starting at 5 pm. We supply the tables and they are \$15 per table for new vendors. Returning vendors' discount is \$10 per table. We are also asking for a small product/craft donation for our raffle. Please fill out the vendor application below and return it to Sarah Boudreau at Epping Elementary School, 17 Prospect Street, Epping, NH 03042 by November 20th. Please also enclose your check made out to EES with "Holiday Fair Fee" in the memo. If you have questions, please call Sarah Boudreau at 679-8018. Thank you!

An Invitation to Epping's Veterans From Epping Elementary School Lunch with a Veteran Program

Choose one day:

Monday, November 9th
Tuesday, November 10th
Thursday, November 12th
Friday, November 13th

Epping Elementary School would like to say "Thank you!" to veterans by inviting you to a free lunch at our school during Veterans Day week. This is a very informal event with veterans seated

at the tables with students. Any veteran who attends will be recognized and introduced to all the students and thanked for his or her service.

Lunch times are:

11:20 to 11:45 for grades 4 & 5
11:50 to 12:15 for grades 2 & 3
12:20 to 12:45 for kindergarten
12:25 to 12:50 for grade 1

You don't have to have children, grandchildren or other relatives currently attending Epping Elementary School. If you are a veteran, you are invited.

If you plan to attend, please call the school at 679-8018 or send in a note with a student relative or by mail, telling us what lunch you plan to attend. Please note that school is closed on November 11th.

Thank you for your service to our country.

Mark Vallone
Principal

Report Cards and Parent Conferences

Grades will be closing soon and that means it's time for First Quarter Report Cards and Parent Conferences for grades 1-5. To go along with changing report cards this year, parents and guardians will receive their copy before their conference with teachers. Hopefully, this will allow them time to look over the report card and be more prepared to talk and ask questions about their children's learning from classroom teachers.

Submitted by Cheryl A. MacLeay

EES PTO News

The Epping PTO would like to thank all the families who participated in the "Room on the Broom" PTO Membership Drive this year. We had over 50 new families added to our membership since last year! A winning classroom will be named soon. *The Monster Mash & Haunted Hallway*, held Oct. 23rd at EES, was a "spook-tacularly" good time for families! Thank you for all the volunteers; whether donating time or goodies, we couldn't have done it without you!

The PTO has been thrilled to see so many new faces at our PTO meetings! Our numbers have continued to increase each month and the feedback from families is very positive. Thank you for your insights and help! We look forward to seeing everyone during our next meetings: **Nov. 2nd and Dec. 7th**; both held in the EES Art room @ 7pm; free babysitting will be held in the EES library. Meetings are usually kept to about an hour. We

have **REFRESHMENTS & RAFFLE GIVEAWAYS** at each meeting! If it's your first meeting or you've brought a friend....you get an extra raffle ticket! We want to thank Karen Poplaski who spoke about "68 Hours of Hunger" and Mr. Vallone who spoke about the report card during the October meeting. Both speakers were very informative.

Mid-November families will be able to pick up their Cherrydale fundraising purchases. Over 40 students won from the "big" prize list; from an ice cream social, to gift cards, a get-a-way and even a turn at the money machine; great job raising funds everyone!

EES Memo Pads will continue to be on sale all year long. EES Student Directories are now available, if you haven't ordered yours yet, please contact the PTO at www.epping-pto.com or send in a note to the EES PTO Mailbox, in the EES main office. Don't forget to *Like Us* on Facebook and stay in touch with our announcements from the *EES Cool News*.

Submitted by Bethany Marshall

Epping Middle School (EMS) EMS Pride Assembly



From left to right: Abby Walsh, Ryan Vicar, Luke Barker, Haley Williamson, Lyndsey Chevalier, Dylan Comeau, Sarah Brassil, and Michael Picard.

At the EMS PRIDE Assembly on October 8th. Students were recognized for Epping Middle School's Guiding Principles #1 and #2.

Principle #1: Respect and encourage the right to teach and the right to learn at all times. Students honored were:

- **Grade 8** - Lyndsey Chevalier
- **Grade 7** - Ryan MacVicar
- **Grade 6** - Sarah Brassil,
- **Unified Arts** - Haley Williamson

Principle #2: Be actively engaged in learning; ask questions, collaborate, and seek solutions. Students honored were:

- **Grade 8** - Luke Barker
- **Grade 7** - Abby Walsh
- **Grade 6** - Mikey Picard
- **Unified Arts** - Dylan Comeau

7th Grade Students At Nature's Classroom



At Nature's Classroom our seventh grade students and teachers had the opportunity to experience education from another perspective, outside the walls of the classroom.

Nature's Classroom is a residential environmental education program. After spending four days and three nights in September 2015, at Nature's Classroom, living and learning together, our students developed a sense of community, a confidence in themselves and an appreciation for others that has carried over to our school community.

Introducing: Google Classroom.

Google Classroom is official at EMS. Developed by Google in 2014, the Google Classroom tool allows teachers to create and organize assignments quickly, provide feedback efficiently, and communicate with their classes with ease. Google Classroom will help students organize their work in Google Drive, complete and turn in assignments, and communicate directly with teachers and peers.

EMS staff has received training from our Technology Integration Specialist, Aaron Stedfast. We are proud to say that all staff members at EMS have created a Google Classroom and our students are regularly utilizing Google Classroom in all content areas.

A Little Kindness Goes a Long Way

The theme of this year's OLWEUS anti-bullying meetings at EMS is KINDNESS. Students will be taking part in activities to strengthen our positive school community and promote kindness throughout our daily interactions with one another.

Epping Calendar of Events for November 2015

October 31	TOWN TRICK OR TREATING – 5-7 pm
October 31	Fall Festival at the Library for children ages 5-12 – 2-4 pm
October 31	Goblins' Gala and Pumpkin Stroll at Fire Station – 5-7 pm
November 1	DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ENDS – Turn clocks back!
November 1-8	Order wreaths at Epping Community Church
November 2	EES PTO meeting – 7 pm
November 3	EMS 8 th Grade Astronomy Night – 7-9 pm
November 5	Epping School Board meeting in Epping Town Hall – 7 pm
November 6	NO SCHOOL – Teacher Professional Development Day
November 6	Movie at the Library for school kids – 1:30 pm
November 7	Epping Community Church Food Pantry and Coats of Caring – 8-10 am
November 7	Scouting For Food fliers distributed
November 8	American Legion Post 51 Sunday Breakfast Buffet – 9:00-11:30 am
November 9	EMS Sports Recognition Night – 6:30-7:30 pm
Nov. 9,10,12,13	EES Invitation to Veterans for lunch
November 11	NO SCHOOL – VETERANS DAY – Town Hall and Library closed
Oct.23-Nov. 11	“Charlotte’s Web” at the Leddy Center
November 12	Epping Seniors – Trip to Christmas Tree Shop – 1 pm
November 13	Civil War Roundtable of NH meeting in Town Hall – 7:15 pm
November 14	Epping Community Church Food Pantry and Coats of Caring – 8-10 am
November 14	EHS Athletic Booster Club Holiday Craft Fair in EMS Gym – 9 am-3 pm
November 14	Scouting For Food Drive food pick-up
November 14,15	Boy Scout Campout at Camp Straw
November 17	275 th Birthday Bash Committee meeting at the Town Hall – 7 pm
November 17	Library Board of Trustees Meeting – 7 pm
November 17	EES 1 st Grade Field Trip to the Music Hall
November 18	NEHS Induction Ceremony for 4 th Graders in the gym – 6:30 pm
November 18	Epping Y.O.U.T.H. coalition meeting in SAU building – 9 am
November 18	Cub Scout Pack Meeting at Epping Middle School – 6:30-7:30 pm
November 19	Epping School Board meeting in Epping Town Hall – 7 pm
November 21	Fire Dept. Explorers Post Red Cross Blood Drive – 10 am - 3 pm
November 21	Epping Community Church Food Pantry and Coats of Caring – 8-10 am
November 21	Epping Community Church Dinner “Roast Turkey Dinner ” – 5-6:30 pm
November 21	Thanksgiving skit at the Library
November 24	Epping Lions Club meeting at the Library – 6:30 pm
November 26	Thanksgiving Dinner at Epping Community Church – 11:00 am-12:30 pm
November 26	THANKSGIVING DAY – Town Hall and Library closed
November 27	DAY AFTER THANKSGIVING – Town Hall closed
November 25-27	NO SCHOOL – THANKSGIVING RECESS
November 28	Pick up wreaths at Epping Community Church – 8-10 am
November 28	Epping Community Church Food Pantry and Coats of Caring – 8-10 am
November 28-29	Fire Dept. Stuff the Bus with Christmas Presents at Walmart – 9 am-5 pm

Epping Calendar of Events for December 2015

Date	Event
Dec. 2, 9, 16	Zentangle classes at the Library – 6-8 pm
December 3	Epping School Board meeting in Epping Town Hall – 7 pm
December 3	EES Holiday Craft Fair in multi-purpose room – 6-8 pm
December 3	Program at the Historical Society “Epping of Yesterday”
December 4-13	“A Christmas Carol” at the Leddy Center
December 5	Epping Community Church Food Pantry and Coats of Caring – 8-10 am
December 6	American Legion Children’s Christmas Party Sign-up Deadline
December 6	Town Tree Lighting and Holiday Party – 3:30-5:00 pm
December 7	EES Chorus Field Trip to Rockingham County Nursing Home – 3:30 pm
December 7	EES PTO meeting – 7 pm
December 10	Epping Seniors Christmas Party at American Legion – 1 pm
December 12	St. Joseph Christmas Concert – 5 pm
December 12	Epping Community Church Food Pantry and Coats of Caring – 8-10 am
December 13	American Legion Children’s Christmas Party – 1-3 pm
December 13	American Legion Post 51 Sunday breakfast – 9:00-11:30 am
December 13	Epping Community Church Ladies Aide Pizza Buffet after the service
December 14	Boy Scout Court of Honor at Community Church
December 15	Library Board of Trustees Meeting – 7 pm
December 15	275 th Birthday Bash Committee meeting at the Town Hall – 7 pm
December 15	EES Winter Concert Grades 1, 2 and 3 – 6:30 pm
December 16	EES Winter Concert Grades 4, 5, Band and Chorus – 6:30 pm
December 16	Cub Scout Pack meeting at Epping Middle School – 6:30-7:30 pm
December 16	Epping Y.O.U.T.H. coalition meeting in SAU building – 9 am
December 17	Epping School Board meeting in Epping Town Hall – 7 pm
December 18	DEADLINE DATE for the January-February issue of the Newsletter
December 19	Holiday Party at the Library
December 19	Epping Community Church Food Pantry and Coats of Caring – 8-10 am
December 20	Santa on the Fire Truck starting at 3 pm
December 24	Epping Community Church Song and Candle Lighting service – 7 pm
December 24-Jan. 1	NO SCHOOL – HOLIDAY RECESS
December 25	CHRISTMAS – Town Hall and Library closed
December 26	Epping Community Church Food Pantry and Coats of Caring – 8-10 am
January 1	NEW YEARS DAY – Town Hall and Library closed

If you would like your next event to appear on the Calendar of Events, please send us an e-mail at bhelmstetter@comcast.net by **December 18, 2015**. Please include the date, event name, location and time.