



# Speak Up, Epping! Newsletter

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## About this Newsletter

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Check out our **Facebook** page! Join us for more late-breaking news and events that did not make our Newsletter deadline. You can connect with us and with other local friends, services, businesses and organizations.

## 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.

## 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.

## Senior Moments

The Epping Senior Citizens Club is approaching a bittersweet moment. We're not going to miss all that work at our past annual Yard Sales but we will miss the fun of interacting with the friends who stop and drop off stuff and friends who stop and shop. There is a problem however - we still have stuff in the back of the closet or way under the bed that has to go. The Epping Historical Society agreed to fill the void this year by having their yard sale on **May 18th (rain date, May 25th)**. Check it out, we'll probably be there along with our STUFF.

Meanwhile, with the warm weather coming so will some fun trips such as a Fisher Cat ball game, Wolfeboro museums, a long ride on the Downeaster to Freeport, ME, and much more. We've already been to the Alpaca farm, the Fish Hatchery and the fascinating Tea Room in Haverhill, MA.

May and June will be busy right here at home. Once again, you'll find us sitting in front of the Library in the hot sun on Memorial Day selling our fresh homemade goodies, ice-cold water and perhaps a surprise or two. Please stop by. We seem to be developing a nice habit of annual events, so back to the Harvey Farm in June for our annual picnic. Some people like to picnic down near the pond, we seniors like to picnic in the cow holding room where it's cool and shady. (It's also closer to the donuts and ice cream).

Our Club now has clubs. A Book Club where we exchange books each month and debate the ones we really enjoy. Also, the monthly Movie Club

is relaxing. We sit together in the O'Neil Theater on a weekday watching a good movie with popcorn in hand. Of course, these debates occur over a nice lunch. We're pleased to welcome a new member, Sandy Morrison, to the Club. Remember, we meet the second Thursday of each month at the Fire Department meeting room at 1:00 pm. In April, Ms. Kathrine Williams updated us on Trusts, Wills and important documents for senior citizens. In May we will meet at the Historical Society with sixth graders from Ms. McGeough's class to talk about World War II. Meeting with these youngsters is always a lot of fun. We have to remind them that we were kids during that time! Talk about a generation gap - it's more like the Grand Canyon!

I'll make this brief but I have to share a few of the answers when eight year olds were asked, "What is a grandparent?"

1. Grandfather is a man, Grandmother is a lady
  2. When they take us for a walk, they slow down past pretty leaves and caterpillars.
  3. They show and tell us about the colors of flowers and why we shouldn't step on "cracks".
  4. They don't say "Hurry Up!"
- How we enjoy those kids!

*Submitted by Irene R. Cote*



## Epping Lions Club

**"We Serve"**

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

We hosted the Lamprey River Canoe Race on Saturday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, or the fourth year in a row. Pam Tibbetts, our president, said. "Money raised will allow our Club to meet pressing needs in the community. Lion members thank everyone who contributes to this important work and makes a difference in our community." All the money raised from this event stays in Epping to help residents in need of vision care or hearing assistance, The Epping Lions Club has been helping residents since their inception as a club in April of 2009. They have also advised residents from other communities in their search for vision care.

The Lions continue to support the eyeglass boxes, located at several locations around town, including the Epping Walmart, Checkers Barber Shop and J&C Optical. Drop off your old eyeglasses to help others who need them. We are also looking forward to another round of vision screening in the schools.

Meeting times, posted on our web site, are generally the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm. Meetings are now held at the Epping Edward Jones office on Route 125. Check our web site – <http://epping.nhlions.org> – for the schedule of upcoming events. We are always looking for new members interested in fellowship and serving the community.

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## TALES FROM EPPING'S PAST

### Hats Off to William Plumer

"Okay, so who's this William Plumer and what about him?" I was asked.

Well, my acquaintance with Mr. Plumer began long ago in Concord, through the discovery of an old record book in which he had carefully listed each person who had died in Epping from 1768 to 1842. Having known many of them himself, he often added his own descriptive comments to an entry not only revealing more about the person, but also providing the reader with first hand information about what this old town was like back then. As an example, he names the slaves who died here and tells us something about them - and about their owners.

This gem of a journal has supplied information for my columns for years and is only one of the many penned by William Plumer, a first-rate historian, who was the founder and first president of the New Hampshire Historical Society. He was also a Baptist minister and a lawyer who began his political career as a young Epping selectman and made it all the way to the United States Senate. However, it's the man himself who speaks through his writing and who truly seemed happiest when returning home to Epping from his travels and being with his family. Their house (shown in a painting at the Historical Society) is no more, but stood on Plumer Road where Plumercrest Bed and Breakfast is now, and where he rests in the family cemetery nearby.

Born in Newburyport in 1759, and brought here

as a boy by his parents, William Plumer was the first of the three New Hampshire governors from Epping. He was the only one of them who served two terms, the only one of the three not born here, and the only one of them who is buried here.

William Plumer's father Samuel was a farmer, a shoemaker and Epping's champion wrestler who could take down a man thirty years his junior. He hoped William would also be a farmer but the boy was not cut out for it. Even so, he worked in the fields every day and years later pointed out the exact spot where he was hoeing corn in June, 1775, and clearly heard the British cannons relentlessly attacking Bunker Hill in Boston. Epping men and other rugged New England farmers, untrained and outnumbered, armed only with muskets and whatever else they could get their hands on, were there fighting for America's freedom in one of the bloodiest battles of the American Revolution.

William Plumer was a self-educated student all his life, sometimes walking for miles to borrow a book and almost always having one by his side along with pen and paper. He wrote on subjects ranging from farming to religion, to tips on healthy living such as advising that when we're young to seek out the company of our elders and when older to seek out the company of the young. He also felt that the real secret of happiness was in action, not in rest.

One of his sons described William Plumer as a good and decent compassionate man who could not stand cruelty or unfairness shown to any man or animal. Open-minded, full of life and energy, with flashing dark eyes and a clear strong voice, he was always ready and eager for any lively debate.

William Plumer's marriage to Sally Fowler of Newmarket had been predicted to her by a fortune teller. They were married for sixty-three years and were the parents of six children, including a son he named Quintus who only lived five days before dying in his father's arms. Plumer himself was laid to rest in his 92<sup>nd</sup> year in the winter of 1850. His beloved Sally died two years later.

So hats off to you William Plumer, for your example of a life well lived in fearless pursuit of truth and justice, education, religious freedom, service to your fellow man and for the common good. We're glad your parents came to Epping and proud to have had you and your family among us for so long.

**This is the seventeenth in a series of articles.**

**Text/Research: Madelyn Williamson, Epping presenter at the dedication of the Main**

**Research Room in the New Hampshire Archives to William Plumer.**

## **Epping Historical Society**

Now that the excitement of Mary Todd Lincoln's visit to Water Street has begun to subside, the Society invites you to meet another (semi) famous lady -- Harriet Dame, Civil War nurse from Barnstead, NH. Her appearance is another living history performance, this time by Lorrie O'Conner from the Civil War Roundtable. Learn how this NH native served during the Civil War and discover how she took care of our soldiers on the battlefield and during their days of hard traveling. Like the April program, this presentation on **Thursday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>** starts at 7:00 pm and concludes with light refreshments.

The Society Board regrets to inform the public that unavoidable delays have pushed back the installation of our new handicapped-accessible entranceway until August. Amazingly, the terror attack at the Boston Marathon contributed to the delay by forcing the postponement of a civil engineering competition in which the UNH student volunteers who were slated to work on our doorway were involved. By moving that event, the door project was moved forward into the start of the next UNH academic year.

Starting in January, the Society began selling personalized commemorative bricks as family keepsakes, or for installation in the brick walkway leading to the new building entrance. Several families have taken advantage of this unique opportunity to become part of Epping's history. Stop by the Society on Monday mornings to pick up an order form, or download the form from [www.eppingHistory.org](http://www.eppingHistory.org), and mail it to us. Get yours today, and support the Society's building improvements campaign.

Manufacturing of signs that detail the history of Folsom Dam will be complete in early May. The Society will begin working with volunteers to complete a trail at Mary Blair Park on which to install those signs. Once completed, the trail and signs will allow Park visitors to view and learn about the remnants of one of the most historically important sites in Epping.

Thank you for your continued support of the Epping Historical Society. Visit us on Monday mornings between 9:00 and noon, or call 679-2944 to set up an off-hours appointment.

*Submitted by Michael Vose, Library Trustee*



# Lamprey River Advisory Committee

*Submitted by Suzanne Petersen*

## Help Wanted: A River of Volunteers

The Lamprey Rivers Advisory Committee is looking for a few good people who want to be a voice for the Lamprey River and/or its five major tributaries (North Branch, Pawtuckaway, North, Little, and Piscassic rivers). These rivers were designated for state protection due to their outstanding ecology, history, and recreation.

The committee meets monthly on the fourth Thursday evening. Members come from Barrington, Brentwood, Candia, Deerfield, Durham, Epping, Exeter, Fremont, Lee, Newfields, Newmarket, Northwood, Nottingham, and Raymond. Each town is allowed up to four representatives with various interests: municipal, natural resources, business, agriculture, landowners, water supply, recreation, and history.

A variety of interesting and relevant projects are being planned. Get in the flow and come be a part of the action! Applications for nomination are available at Town Hall. For further information, please contact Mike Russo, committee chair, at [m.russo@dover.k12.nh.us](mailto:m.russo@dover.k12.nh.us) or 942-7861 or Sharon Meeker, outreach chair, at [s-meeker@comcast.net](mailto:s-meeker@comcast.net) or 659-5441.

## Raymond Regatta and Family Fun Day

Are you ready for some serious fun? Head to the Lamprey River Elementary School in Raymond on **Saturday, June 1<sup>st</sup>**. Boaters and landlubbers will all have plenty to do.

The Raymond Regatta boat race starts and ends at the town beach behind the school. Check-in is at 9:30 am and the boat race starts at 10:00 am. Boaters will go out on the Lamprey River, circle a buoy and race back to the beach. Several regatta categories are planned so that the whole family can join in the fun. In addition to speed, prizes will be awarded for most people in a boat, oldest person in a boat, boat created with the most recycled materials, and best costume. No motors allowed! Raymond area businesses will donate gift certificates and items as prizes. Contest rules are available from the Raymond Recreation Department. The Raymond Fire Department will have a safety boat in the water.

On land, attendees can enjoy live animals, canoe safety demonstrations, food for sale by the

Boy Scouts, a bicycle safety rodeo, the NH DOT watershed model, fly-tying demonstrations, nature activities, and plenty of active games. The event runs from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. The event is free except for those entering the boat race. Registration is through the Raymond Recreation Department at 895-4735, ext.106. The boat race is \$12 per person and \$30 per group of three or more before May 28<sup>th</sup>. After that date it will be \$15 per person and \$40 per group. Early registrants will receive a commemorative water bottle celebrating the event.

The event is co-sponsored by Raymond Recreation, by the Lamprey River Watershed Association and by the Lamprey Rivers Advisory Committee. The Lamprey River Watershed Association is a non-profit organization promoting the protection and restoration of the natural resources of the watershed. The state-appointed members of the Lamprey Rivers Advisory Committee work to protect the rivers as part of the New Hampshire Rivers Management and Protection Program.

Proceeds from the race will support Raymond Recreation activities and clean water efforts of the Lamprey Rivers Advisory Committee and Watershed Association.

## National Endangered Species Day

National Endangered Species Day is on **May 17<sup>th</sup>**. The Lamprey River and its watershed are not home to any federally listed species, but three New Hampshire listed species are found here.



*Photo by Jon Bromley*

**The Blanding's Turtle** is threatened by human development of its habitat and deadly encounters with vehicles. This species takes many years to reach breeding age, and it requires large areas of land offering several different habitats. It is distinguished from other NH turtle species by its yellow throat and black, domed shell



image by [www.ct.gov/dep/cwp/view.asp](http://www.ct.gov/dep/cwp/view.asp)

The **Brook Floater Mussel** is threatened by pollutants, sedimentation, and rising water temperatures in its river habitat. This mussel is a key indicator of river health. In recent years, the number of brook floaters in the Lamprey has declined sharply, probably due to burial by sediments following severe floods.



Photo by Brendan Clifford, NHFG

The **Timber Rattlesnake** is NH's only venomous snake, but in the balance of things, these snakes have far more to fear from humans than humans have to fear from the snakes. Their biggest threat is human aggression. These snakes are docile and will not strike unless they are provoked. To separate myth from fact, please visit [http://www.wildlife.state.nh.us/Wildlife/Wildlife\\_PDFs/Timber\\_rattlesnake\\_flyer.pdf](http://www.wildlife.state.nh.us/Wildlife/Wildlife_PDFs/Timber_rattlesnake_flyer.pdf)

In addition to providing critical habitat to the above endangered species, the Lamprey River and surrounding area provide habitat to several of New Hampshire's threatened species: the bald eagle, the northern black racer, the peregrine falcon, the pied billed grebe, the spotted turtle and the wood turtle.



For more information about the Lamprey's threatened species, visit [www.lampreyriver.org](http://www.lampreyriver.org),

## The Civil War Roundtable of NH

### Meeting Schedule

**On May 17<sup>th</sup>** (3<sup>rd</sup> Friday) Dr. Bruce Heald will present "New Hampshire and the Civil War – Voices from the Granite State" (new book!)

**On June 21<sup>st</sup>** (3<sup>rd</sup> Friday) Ray Cresswell will present "Guns of Amoskeag"

**July/August** – no meetings

To all those interested, we of the CWRTNH would enjoy your presence and also your membership in our group. Bring your self, family and friends. We welcome all new enlistees (er members).

As a new recruit (er member) you would be part of a 20+ year-old Roundtable. We have hosted many well-known names who have written and spoken of the Civil War, not to mention some of our own illustrious members who have shared their knowledge.

So if you're free on a Friday night, come down to the Town Hall at 7:15 pm and take your oath (er I mean join as a member). Learn about the Civil War and in particular the role of Epping and other towns in New Hampshire who took part in this conflict.

Check our website: <http://www.cwrt-nh.org> to check our schedule and find out more about the CWRT-NH.

Thank you for your interest in advance.

*Submitted by Dan Bennis*



## Epping Garden Club

If you enjoy flowers and gardening or are interested in the Town, please come join us - we're always looking for new members. Our meetings are at 6:30 pm on the second Monday of the month in the Fire Station area of the Safety Complex. Come in the door at the back. We are also on FACEBOOK - come by and "LIKE" us! Look for announcements or late-breaking news about the Garden Club on our Facebook page, on Speak Up, Epping's Facebook page or on Channel 22. If you'd like to help or you'd like to join us, please call Eunice at 300-0064 or contact us at [epinggardenclub@gmail.com](mailto:epinggardenclub@gmail.com).

Also, we are looking for High School students who need credit for community service projects, to show on their college applications. We can use lots of help and can find a project for you. Thanks!

We will be holding a Plant and Yard Sale on **Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup>** from 9:00 am until noon in the American Legion parking lot off Route 125 in Epping (across from Telly's).

The Sale is a fundraiser for the Garden Club to earn money for its efforts to beautify the town of Epping. We're hoping to improve various locations around town, including as many intersections as possible. There will be various items for sale in the Yard Sale area and assorted annuals and perennials for sale in the Plant Sale area. If you are dividing up plants in your garden, we will be happy to accept any divisions you'd like to donate to the Sale. You can call us before hand or drop them off by 8:30 am on the 4<sup>th</sup>. If you have gardening books you no longer use, we will be happy to add them to our Yard Sale area.

Please support your town by purchasing a plant for your yard or if you prefer, you can donate it back to us and we will place it somewhere in town where it will brighten a spot you can see daily. All the money raised by our group, goes back into plants and tools needed to accomplish our goals.

If you'd like to join our Sale, there is space available at \$10 a table. You must bring your own table. Set up will be at 8:00 am and tear down at noon. This is a 3-hour sale, not a whole day event and permission is granted only for 9:00 am to noon sales - NO EXCEPTIONS.

THE EPPING GARDEN CLUB WILL NOT BE AT THE PARADE THIS YEAR, SO THIS WILL BE OUR FUNDRAISER.

Please call Eunice at 300-0064 with any questions or for more information.



## Ledd Center

"Damn Yankees" will be on stage at the Leddy Center from July 12<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup>. Mary Gatchell in Concert will follow on October 4<sup>th</sup>, "Anne of Green Gables" from October 25<sup>th</sup> to November 10<sup>th</sup> and "A Christmas Carol" from December 6<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup>.

Individual tickets are \$18 and \$16, depending on seating, and subscription series are available. The Leddy Center box office is open Monday through Friday from 3:00 to 5:00 pm. Visit or call the Leddy Center at 603 679-2781 for ticket information or order tickets online at [www.leddycenter.org](http://www.leddycenter.org).



## ETV Schedule

Channel 22 - ETV - Schedule - live programs  
Monday - May 13, Tuesday May 28; June 10, 24 -  
Selectmen - 7 pm

Tuesday - May 7, June 4 - Water and Sewer -  
7 pm

Tuesday - May 21, June 18 - Library Trustees -  
7 pm

Wednesday - May 15, June 12 - Budget  
Committee - 7 pm

Thursday - May 2, 16; June 6, 20 - School  
Board - 7 pm

Thursday - May 9, June 13 - Planning Board -  
6 pm

Friday - May 17, June 21 - Civil War Round  
Table - 7:15 pm

Monday meetings are rebroadcast:

1/2 hour after meeting

Tuesday - 7 am

Wednesday - 11 am

Thursday - 3 pm

Monday - 2 am

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Monday - 3 pm

Tuesday - 2 am

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1/2 hour after meeting

Thursday - 7 am

Monday - 11 am

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 by going 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](http://etv22.pegcentral.com/live/live_etv22.html).

## News From the Town

Epping's long time (20 years) Town Clerk and Tax Collector Linda Foley has retired and she'll be very much missed. However, we're happy to welcome Erika Robinson who was elected in March and has now taken over.

### Upcoming dates:

**May 27<sup>th</sup>** – Town Hall closed for Memorial Day

**July 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>** – Town Hall closed

## Latest News from Brickyard Square

Orange Leaf Frozen Yogurt and Subway stores are the newest occupants of Brickyard Square. New restaurants will be coming soon.



## Scouting Around Epping

### Cub Scout Pack 136

#### **Congratulations to the Shark Patrol**

A HUGE Thank you to Eric Moulton and Peter Gibb for leading the Webelos 2 –Shark Patrol to get their Arrows of Light and cross over to Boy Scouts. Congratulations to Ryan Moulton, Timothy Gibb and Orion Forster who have worked hard to earn the coveted Arrow of Light award. Thank you to all the committee members, Den leaders, parent volunteers and members of the community that devote their personal time to make Scouts a success!

### Past Events:

#### **Pinewood Derby**

The boys had a great time racing their cars. There were 45 boys racing and some very clever

designs. Thanks to Hank for a smooth running derby this year and the pit crew and all the volunteers who chipped in.

**GRAND CHAMPION:** Congratulations to Aaron Wyatt.

### **Pack 136 Family Campout**

The boys and their families had a great time camping at Camp Carpenter in Manchester, NH. Everyone had fun.

### Upcoming Events

**May Pack meeting** at the EMS café on **Wednesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>** at 6:30 pm

**Memorial Day Parade** on **Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup>**.

Starting at the American Legion at 9 am.

### **Summer Camp**

**Resident Camp:** July 14<sup>th</sup> through the 18<sup>th</sup> at Camp Carpenter

**Day Camp:** YMCA in Portsmouth July 8<sup>th</sup> through July 12<sup>th</sup> 8 – 4 pm

### **Other ways to help the Scouts: Empties4cash fundraising program:**

We are collecting unwanted or used inkjet cartridges. We will have collection sites at the Library, the Town Hall and possibly the Community Church. If you have unwanted inkjet cartridges at home that you can donate to the Scouts, please contact Andrea Meyer at her e-mail address at [ameyer71@gmail.com](mailto:ameyer71@gmail.com).

### **Interested in Scouting? About Scouting:**

Scouting is organized into Dens by age groups: 1st grade, Tiger Cubs; 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, Wolf; 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, Bears; 4<sup>th</sup> grade, 1<sup>st</sup> year Webelos; and 5<sup>th</sup> grade, 2<sup>nd</sup> year Webelos.

The Pack consists of Dens and their families. Pack 136 meets monthly, usually on the third Wednesday of every month at 6:30 pm at the Epping Middle School. Pack meetings are filled with fun and they're a way to celebrate Scouting, promote family sense of community and reward the boys for their hard work.

### **SCOUTING = FUN, Don't miss out!**

We are looking forward to lots more fun events. Some examples of things we plan to do this school year are: Family Fun day at a corn maze, Family Bowling night out with the Pack, Attend a Monarchs game, Winter Fun Day at Camp Dion (the Webelos get to do a sleep over!), Blue & Gold Banquet, Pinewood Derby race, Rain Gutter Regatta Race, Sleepover on the SS Salem, see historic Battleships and camp overnight on a real

battleship, Fisher Cats game and camping overnight on the field. It's going to be an incredible year of Scouting. The boys will all be working hard on their badges for the year.

Thank you to the Epping Community for all of your support. The Pack would like to extend a very big thank you to the Epping Bible Baptist Church for their generous assistance in providing a wonderful, handicapped-accessible meeting place for the Bear Den. We would like to thank the Epping School System (SAU 14) for their generous donation of a handicapped-accessible meeting place for our monthly Pack meetings!

If you can't make one of our meetings but would like more information on joining Cub Scouts, please contact our **Cubmaster, Mike Page**, by e-mailing him at [michael.page.nh@gmail.com](mailto:michael.page.nh@gmail.com) or also at [cubmaster@pack136epping.org](mailto:cubmaster@pack136epping.org). Please join us on Facebook and keep track of the Pack on <http://m.facebook.com/group.php?gid=199059685109&fbf=r6c4d2187&refid=46> or for further information on our Pack, please check out our website: <http://www.pack136epping.org/calendar>

### **Boy Scout Troop 136**

The Troop is looking forward to spring and warmer camping days! After a very active outdoor schedule throughout the winter, the boys now look forward to two camping weekends on the horizon. April 20<sup>th</sup> marked the annual Webelo crossover ceremony that featured Webelo Scouts from Cub Scout Pack 136 crossing over into Boy Scouting. This year the Scouts held the ceremony at Camp Carpenter.

The District Camporee will be held in Brentwood this year, on **May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>**, and will feature "Merit Badge University." The Scouts will be selecting from a wide list of merit badge opportunities including Electricity, Native American Lore, Cooking, Fly Fishing, First Aid and Fire Safety to name a few. A large showing of Troops throughout the District is expected and should provide opportunities for the boys to meet Scouts from other neighboring towns.

Two boys advanced in Rank as Seth George achieved his Tenderfoot rank and Ryan Sylvain obtained his 2<sup>nd</sup> Class Scout rank.

The Scouts have many things planned over the next few months such as hiking, rafting and so much more. If you know a boy between the ages of 11 and 17 who would benefit from an organization like the Boy Scouts, please contact Les Houston at 679-9595.



## **Girl Scouts of the Green and White Mountains**

Girl Scout camp is traditional camping at its best, available for ALL girls!

Girls have fun and try new things in a beautiful outdoor setting. Each camp allows girls the opportunity to try traditional camp activities that may include swimming, boating, arts and crafts, ecology, hiking, and cooking out. At Girl Scout camp, girls are involved in creating the camp experience that they want. Girls brainstorm, make decisions and plan with their counselors to create a session of adventure!

Our summer staff includes college students, mothers, teachers and others who enjoy working with children. They all complete an application, references, an interview, and background check before participating in pre-camp training.

**Day Camp** experience is available for Scouts of the Green and White Mountains at:

CAMP SEAWOOD in Portsmouth, NH

Grades K to 8

Monday – Friday 9 am - 4 pm

Session 1: July 8 - 19

Session 1A: July 8 - 12

Session 1B: July 15 - 19

Session 2: July 22 – August 2

Session 2A: July 22 - 26

Session 2B: July 29 – August 2

Day camp cost range: \$180-\$350

Bedazzle Daisies \* Pixie Dust \* Cookin', Craftin':  
Craziness \* Silly Science: Sun Catchers \*  
Treasure Hunters \* Art Attack \* C.S.I.: Take the  
Stage \* Team Challenge \* Buddyettes \* Spa La La

### **Newly Added Puddleducks**

Girls entering kindergarten in September, 2013, can join the fun!

Try a little bit of everything camp has to offer – swim, boat, sing, make crafts, play games and cook out! This program is offered during the summer from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm at our Day Camps throughout New Hampshire and Vermont.

For more information about camp, call us at 888-474-9686 or visit us at [www.girlscoutsgwm.org](http://www.girlscoutsgwm.org).

### **Daisy by Mail Summer Program**

Daisy by Mail is a 10-week online program for girls entering Kindergarten and 1<sup>st</sup> Grade to earn



their Daisy Girl Scout Petals. The program kicks off in local communities. Derry, NH, Bedford, NH, Portsmouth, NH, Thetford, VT, and Littleton, NH are currently set up. A location in Concord is being worked on and there will be more locations. For more information, please contact us at <http://gsusa.ebiz.uapps.net/vp/SearchResults.aspx?Search=Daisy+by+Mail>.

## Rockingham and Strafford Counties 4-H Activities Day



*4-H member Mikayla Berger of Epping poses just after her demonstration "Guinea Pigs" at the Rockingham and Strafford County Activities Day held at the Thompson School of Applied Science on the UNH campus.*

4-H members from Rockingham and Strafford counties recently joined together for an Activities Day held at the Thompson School of Applied Science on the UNH campus. The event gives members an opportunity to showcase the public speaking, presentation, and life skills gained from their experience in 4-H. The subjects chosen are based on the youth's interests or passions.

"This event is a real challenge for some of our youth. They have been practicing with their parents and club members, and at the event, they are before a room of judges and peers. It can be very stressful. We are proud of the composure they show while presenting and of the support given to them by the entire 4-H community. The skills they practice now will last a lifetime," said Joe Drake, 4-H Program Coordinator in Rockingham County.

The next event is 4-H State Activities Day, to be held **Saturday, June 1<sup>st</sup>** at UNH and 4-H members from Rockingham County qualified to attend the June event in these four categories: Public Speaking, Action Exhibits, Demonstrations and Photography. Keelin Berger from Epping qualified with "Horses" in the Demonstrations category.

4-H is the youth development program of the UNH Cooperative Extension and has the mission to help youth acquire knowledge, develop life skills,

and form attitudes to enable them to become self-directing, productive and contributing members of society. The role of UNH Cooperative Extension's 4-H Youth Development Program is to help communities create positive youth experiences through community clubs, afterschool programs and special programs. For more information on 4-H clubs and programs in Rockingham County, call (603) 679-5616 or visit [www.bit.ly/RockCty4H](http://www.bit.ly/RockCty4H).



## Epping Fire Department

We have a certified instructor in infant seat installation. Please call 679-5546 and make an appointment to have your infant seat installation inspected.

The Epping Firefighter's Association is conducting a fundraising campaign. For more information, call 679-5446

## Explorer Post 716

The Explorers are always looking for new members. Anyone from Epping and neighboring communities ages 14 to 20 is welcome to visit us on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays from 7:00 to 8:30 pm.

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 call Cliff Cray at 396-9436.

## Police Explorer Post 714

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

## Epping Community Church An Open Invitation

We wish to invite you to visit our church family by joining us for our Sunday service of worship or one of the many other activities at Epping Community Church. There are two principles around which we gather in His name.

1. The Apostle Paul in his letter to the Galatians, chapter five, verse one states, "It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery."

2. “Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind”; and, ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.”

You will find a welcoming congregation with open hearts. We choose not to pressure, cajole, or use legalism to attract individuals to our faith community. We choose not to commercialize the name of Christ or cheapen the meaning of the body of Christ, the church, with cheap beggarly promotions.

We choose to seek to make disciples for Christ by first being disciples ourselves. Imperfect, though saved by His grace, we seek to live and let our living and service be testimony to our faith in Him and the Covenant God has given through His Son, Jesus.

Would you like to know more about your freedom? His love for you? Your opportunity to worship freely and to experience true spiritual family? If so, then visit with us any Sunday morning and learn more about who we are and how we want you to become a part of God’s family.

#### **.Weekly Schedule for Epping Community Church**

Sunday: Choir Practice – 8:00 am; Worship – 9:00 am; Sunday School – 11:00 am.

Thursday: Bible Study and Prayer Group – 9:00 am.

Friday: Friday Night Pizza Night – 5:00 – 6:30 pm.

Saturday: Food Pantry and Coats of Caring – 9:00 – 11:00 am.

#### **Community Cares Food Pantry**

Our food pantry serviced nearly 3400 families and individuals during the 2012 calendar year. We are so appreciative of all who participate in supporting the Food Pantry through food donations, monetary donations and volunteer time. We are grateful to the partnership of local businesses, St. Joseph Catholic Church, the Epping Schools, Epping Post Office, Boy Scouts and many others who assist in such an important way toward meeting the needs of those facing times of difficulty.

#### **Monthly Third Saturday Dinner**

Occurs on the third Saturday of each month from 5:00 – 6:30 pm. We will be having Roast Turkey Dinners with all the fixings on **May 18<sup>th</sup>** and **June 22<sup>nd</sup>**. The cost is \$8 per person, \$4 under 12 and will benefit the Building Fund.

#### **Memorial Day Open House**

The morning of the Epping Memorial Day Parade, **Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup>**, the Epping Community will host an open house providing tours of the

church and its new facilities. The tours will be provided from 9:00 until 11:00 am. You are invited to see our sanctuary, fellowship hall, renovated kitchen and phase one addition which includes a new elevator.

### **St. Joseph Catholic Church**

208 Pleasant St. (Rte 27)

Epping, NH 03042

Office telephone: 679-8805

#### **May**

**Friday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>** – Healing Mass – 7 pm

**Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>** – Crowning of Mary – 9:15 am

**Monday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>** – Women’s reading group

**Wednesday, May 8<sup>th</sup>** – Holy Day Vigil, Ascension of the Lord, Mass – 7 pm

**Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup>** – Holy Day Ascension of the Lord, Mass – 7:30 am and 7 pm

**Friday, May 10<sup>th</sup>** – Praise and Worship Holy Hour – 7:30 pm

**Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup>** – Squire Supper

**Sunday, May 12<sup>th</sup>** – Mother’s Day Breakfast – 9 am

**Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup>** – Mission Dinner

**Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup>** – Memorial Day, Mass at St. Joseph Cemetery – 9 am

#### **June**

**Monday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>** – Women’s reading group

**Saturday, June 15<sup>th</sup>** – Squire Dinner

**Sunday, June 16<sup>th</sup>** – Father’s Day Breakfast 9 am

**Sunday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>** – Parish Picnic

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

### **Epping Bible Baptist Church**

Epping Bible Church is a community of Christian believers who seek to grow in maturity and in knowledge of Jesus. We average 125 people on Sunday mornings and visitors are always welcome to join us. We love to share that Jesus has come that we might have life and have it more abundantly, and are excited to teach how to find that abundant, joyful life!

Our Sunday mornings begin with a full, free breakfast starting at 8:00 am.

Sunday School is offered for all ages beginning at 9:30 am.

Our morning service starts at 10:45 am and is what we call a blended service that contains a mix

of both contemporary and traditional elements. Childcare is provided at all of our services by background checked, CPR certified volunteers.

Sunday evenings at 6:00 pm, we have an informal time for fellowship, discussions, questions and sharing.

Small groups exist for men and women who share the desire to gather regularly for mutual Christian growth through loving, learning, serving and reaching others in order to become better disciples of Jesus. They are available at various times throughout the week, including a young adults group, a men's group and a women's group.

We offer Choir for all ages. Practices are held on Sunday evenings.

Prayer meeting meets on Wednesday evenings at the church at 7:00 pm.

AWANA takes place on **Friday** nights for kids age 4 through grade 6.

Faith Bible Institute is a college level Bible course that is held on **Monday** nights at 6:30 pm.

We offer a free food pantry that takes place the second and third **Fridays** of each month at 1:00 pm.

Our goal is to serve others in our community and surrounding communities with the love of Christ and to share the Gospel of Jesus' death, burial and resurrection with everyone!

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

Pastor Ron does a devotional online each week, and is always available to serve the needs of our community.

For more information, please contact us at [www.eppingbible.org](http://www.eppingbible.org).

## West Epping Quaker Meeting House

Friends (Quakers) have been meeting in Epping since 1772. The present Meeting House was built on Friends Street in 1851 on land given by John Folsom.

We have Meeting for Worship every first and third Sunday at 10:00 am. We meet in silent meditation for an hour. If someone feels moved to share a message they are encouraged to do so. Because our group is small the meeting remains rather silent. 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, Epping

Main Desk: 734-4587

Children's Room: 679-5944

Fax: 679-5884

[www.eppinglibrary.com](http://www.eppinglibrary.com)

Despite the best efforts of our trustees, our architect and many library advocates in town, there will not be a new library building this year. We are grateful for the support of the 500+ Epping residents who voted "yes" on the new building warrant article, but the voting results made it clear that other options need to be sought to solve the Library's space issues. The Trustees hope to be working with other departments in town to find a solution that works for everyone, making use of and renovating the buildings we have in town if new construction proves to be too costly. Meanwhile, Bradley will need to continue to discard books as fast as he orders them, making room on the shelves, so if there is an older title that you need, you may have to wait for it to come from a neighboring library via our inter-library loan system. Don't be shy to ask if you don't see what you're looking for.

The staff would like to welcome and introduce our new Library Trustee, voted in by the town in March. Congratulations to Charlie Goodspeed and welcome back to Paul Miliotis. A big thank you and best wishes to outgoing trustee Heather Clark. The current Board of Trustees is as follows:

Board Chair: Michael Vose

Vice Chair: Lynn Reinhard

Secretary: Charlie Goodspeed

Treasurer: Laurie Dudley

Trustee at Large: Paul Miliotis

Library Trustees meet the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday each month at 7:00 pm. Meetings are televised on ETV-22.

The library is open Monday through Friday from 10 am to 8 pm and Saturdays from 10 am to 2 pm. The library will be **closed for services on Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup> for Memorial Day**, but the building will be open during the Memorial Day Parade between 9:00 am and noon for those who might need the facilities. Please visit the sale table out front hosted by the Seniors and enjoy Epping's community celebration. Check our website at [www.eppinglibrary.com](http://www.eppinglibrary.com) for more information on programs and services.



## **Programs for Adults**

In May we will host two programs funded by grants from the New Hampshire Humanities Council. **"Baked Beans and Fried Clams: How Food Defines a Region"** will be on **Thursday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7 pm**. Edie Clark of Yankee magazine will examine how contemporary life has distanced us from distinctive New England food, and how these classics have defined our region.

**"Lizzie Borden Took an Axe, or Did She?"** is scheduled for **Thursday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> also at 7 pm**. Dr. Annette Holba of Plymouth State University will illuminate the circumstances of the famous 1892 double homicide that took place in Fall River, Massachusetts.

**Monday Munch and Movie:** How would you like to start your week with a picnic lunch and a good movie on the big screen? For the past 2 months, the children's room has become a free movie theater for adults at **12:30 on Mondays**.

**May 6<sup>th</sup>** "Silver Linings Playbook" (2012)

**May 13<sup>th</sup>** "Three Coins in the Fountain" (1954)

**May 20<sup>th</sup>** "The Little Foxes" (1941)

**Book Clubs:** New members always welcome!

**Eclectic Book Group:** Meets on the second Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm. Discussion focuses on a wide variety of books.

**May 8<sup>th</sup>** – Hunt Club by Brett Lott

**June 12<sup>th</sup>**–The Thorn Birds by Colleen McCullough

**Dusty Old Mystery Book Group:** Meets on the third Wednesday of each month at 7:00 pm, choosing from classic mystery stories.

**May 15<sup>th</sup>** – Murder on the Orient Express by Agatha Christie

**Epping Knit Night:** Meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays at 7 pm downstairs. Comfy workspace, a mug of hot tea, free internet and the fellowship of other knitters, without the distractions at home that keep you from your knitting. Bring your own yarn and needles. For more information please contact knitting group coordinator, Marjorie Pim at [marjpim@yahoo.com](mailto:marjpim@yahoo.com).

## **Programs for Children**

**Preschool Story Hour:** Wednesdays and Thursdays at 10:30 am.

This is a drop-in program designed for children ages 2 to 6. No registration is needed. The kids have time to explore the library, look for books and play with friends before sitting down for songs and stories with Miss Tracie, and then may participate in the related craft project if they choose. This is a great social time for preschoolers and their

caregivers.

**Group Visits:** Tuesday and Friday mornings we have larger groups of preschoolers for their own Story Hours. The two preschool classes from Seedlings Early Learning Center will be coming on Tuesday mornings from 10 to 11:30, and local family daycare providers visit on Fridays from 10 to noon.

**Pajama Night:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday each month at 6:30 pm. This year we are alternating regular Pajama Nights with PJ Movie Nights. Wear your PJs and bring a snack to share to this fun family event for kids ages 2-8 and their "chauffeurs."

**May 10<sup>th</sup>** May Pajama Night will celebrate Moms while giving Dads and kids a chance to make a special something for the deserving lady of the house.

**June 14<sup>th</sup>** PJ Movie Night featuring "Escape From Planet Earth" rated PG.

**Spring Tea Party: Saturday, May 18<sup>th</sup> 11:00 am – 1:00 pm**

Epping's youngest ladies and gentlemen are invited to an event even Fancy Nancy could be proud of. Dress in your finest party clothes OR don a fanciful costume for the occasion, and enjoy a special Tea Party complete with china teacups and a buffet of tasty treats. A dress-up area will provide the chance to try on different "looks" using items from Miss Tracie's Costume Closet, and "big kid" volunteers will help with old fashioned crafts that will not mess up your finery. Young attendees and their chaperones are asked to RSVP in the children's room so our cooks know how many to prepare for.

**\*SAVE THE DATE\*\*SAVE THE DATE\*\*SAVE THE DATE\***

**9<sup>th</sup> Annual Toy Drive** – We are now taking donations for our annual **Toy Sale** on **Saturday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>**.

Gently used toys, games, infant and toddler items and even outdoor play equipment but *no clothes or stuffed animals* will be accepted. We have a place to store items until sale day, so feel free to bring things in anytime we are open. The annual toy sale raises funds for our Summer Reading Program. We are seeking volunteers to help with the Toy Sale too, either by hanging posters around town, sorting, cleaning and pricing toys or helping set up the day before and during the sale. The children's room will be closed on **Friday, June 21<sup>st</sup>** to allow us a full day to set out all the great deals. Volunteers often get first pick from the

inventory! If you are interested in helping in any way, please contact Miss Tracie at 679-5944 or [traciehmml@gmail.com](mailto:traciehmml@gmail.com).

### Summer Reading

The summer's reading program, "**Dig Into Reading!**" will begin **Monday, June 24<sup>th</sup>** and run through the middle of August. Gardening, construction, mining, archeology and the lives of underground creatures will inspire creative themes that change each week in the form of craft projects, games and reading challenges. We have a wonderful team of middle school volunteers this year who voiced some great ideas at the Teen Lock-In in March. Kids entering 6<sup>th</sup> grade or above are eligible to volunteer and are invited to the next SRP Team meeting on **Thursday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at 4:15**. This group helps the staff create, prepare for and implement the summer program. We couldn't do it without them! As in past years, the children participating in the summer reading program will be expected to register in the children's room and log the minutes they spend reading this summer, wherever and whatever they are reading. Early readers and pre-readers may log the minutes that someone reads **to** them. For every 30 minutes on the log, the reader will receive \$1 in library money that can be spent at the SRP Store, opening on July 9<sup>th</sup>.

### Friends of the Library

This devoted group meets on the second Tuesday of each month. Curious library patrons are encouraged to stop by and find out how they too can help the library by joining the Friends.

They have green, red, blue and purple canvas tote bags for sale for \$10. For more information, call 679-5944.

### Epping Youth Coalition

There are many small groups in Epping trying to make a difference for their particular concerns. However, a Youth Coalition opportunity has been offered to Epping to unite these groups, families, students and the community, by working together to assess the particular needs of this community and brainstorm an action plan to work on making positive changes. An action plan has been put into place to start this process of ownership on the community itself. Many key stakeholders have already recognized the importance of not hurrying the process, but rather taking it slow and getting it right.

There have been three productive Epping Youth Coalition Meetings with key stakeholders and sector leaders expressing their excitement and support for starting a coalition in Epping. With the programs, resources, and assets already in existence, Epping is in a very good position to move to this next level.

Last Friday, the *Raymond Coalition For Youth* mailed out the 78 page completed grant application for a Drug Free Communities Mentoring Grant that will provide Epping with an opportunity to receive their mentoring and guidance, education and technical assistance, and ability to partner with their resources and partners. The grant, if awarded, will bring to the table the experience of what worked in their community, the knowledge of how to engage different sectors of the community, and strategies that have been successful in the long-term. This will prepare Epping to apply for our own DFC Grant next April. The desire to address local conditions and unite around a cause has been brought into the forefront recently and the community has shown its capacity to unite. A recent effort to vote in funds for a school resource officer was shot down by voters but there was a great community rally of support and effort as they saw the need for this position in their schools. The parents understand they have the power to make change and are trying to bring in resources to do just that. Through partnerships that RCFY has, Epping will be able to bring in organizations that currently help Raymond address issues around tobacco, alcohol, marijuana and other drugs. Some of these organizations include Breathe NH, Allies in Substance Abuse Prevention, National Alliance on Mental Illness, Big Brothers/Big Sisters, leaders for Youth Action groups in the schools, Sexual Assault Support Services and more.

Epping has grown in recent years and business has taken over in a big way. This has increased traffic, with people coming from many surrounding towns and bringing access to substances right to our doorstep. With the new retail density comes increased access and the lack of awareness about this issue is a big concern. Chief Wallace of the Epping police Department recently provided us with this information "*Marijuana and alcohol are widely abused by the Epping Youth, followed closely by prescription drugs. We have not had much contact with heroin and cocaine with the youth, however we do know it exists as some have experienced it. Drugs are available in town, with little effort to obtain them. .... The biggest concern for the police department is our capacity to enforce/deter*

*drug abuse due to our limited manpower and resources."*

It is very common to see groups of youth walking the streets of Epping looking for someplace to go or something to do. Having an organized structure for them or something positive to engage in, would be most helpful. We talked with Superintendent of Schools Barbara Munsey about some of the programs and ideas that RCFY has been working on, such as our *Life of An Athlete Program*, a 24 hour a day, 7 day a week, 365 days a year drug and alcohol policy. She said there was a definite need for these programs.

Training will come from many different sources to support the Epping Community. We will be attending the National Coalition Academy but we also have access to resources at RCFY and to the many years of successful work that have been accomplished in our own community. Another source is *Allies in Substance Abuse Prevention*, our regional network provider, which has access to services that can be accessed at a state level to support efforts in the Epping community. To address the outlet density and new bars and restaurants in town we can utilize the training that is provided by the *NH Liquor and Enforcement Bureau* (NHLE).

By bringing everyone together in this community and engaging them in the process, they will be invested and see the value they all collectively bring to the table. Superintendent Barbara Munsey summed this effort up very nicely. *"It is my understanding that the intent is for this coalition to serve as an umbrella for initiatives and focus us on building community in support of youth. In so doing it will lead to providing educational programs and community support for SRO and recreation. Initiatives have come and gone. This one is different because it has a unifying purpose, community-wide commitment, and supporting resources."*

*Submitted by Linda Daigle*

## **Epping Recreation Department News**

*Home of the "River Otters"*

Director: Nicole Bizzaro

Temporary office at Epping Town Hall

Cell Phone: 608-9487

[eppingrecreation@gmail.com](mailto:eppingrecreation@gmail.com)

Join us on Facebook and follow us on Twitter.

Due to structural Issues at Watson Academy, the building will be closed to the public and the Recreation Center is closed and any programs or

meetings there are cancelled until further notice. The Before and After School Programs will continue to happen at EES and EMS Cafe as scheduled. Adult Basketball will be run at the EMS Gym and Derry ATA Karate at the EES with no changes. Our Preschool Programs are on hold until we find a new space to run them due to our building issues!

If you have a meeting space scheduled at Watson Academy or need to reach the Department, please contact Nicole, Recreation Director via e-mail at [eppingrecreation@gmail.com](mailto:eppingrecreation@gmail.com) or cell at 608-9487. The temporary Rec. Office has been set up on the 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.

### **GRADES K-6 Before and After School Program**

6:45 - 8:20 am and 3:00 - 5:45 pm

The Before School Program are being held at the Epping Elementary School Gym.

The After School Program meets in the EES Gym, then goes to the EMS Cafe from 3:15 - 4:15 pm, then back to the EES Gym until closing.

We provide a safe, nurturing place for children to attend quality programming beyond the schools' hours of operation. We strive to help youth reach their full potential by allowing them to explore their physical, social and intellectual interests in a safe and fun setting. The culture of our programs emphasizes quality relationships and a healthy respect for individuality. We provide enough structure to keep everyone safe, but we also offer an open atmosphere that allows children to explore their interests in groups or on their own. Please see the Recreation Department website for more information about the River Otter program for grades K-6.

We no longer offer an After School Program for the 8th grade or "Drop In" program. We do offer 8th graders a CIT (Counselor In Training) at our After School Program. Some 7<sup>th</sup> graders may be considered for CIT, if they have been in our programs prior and the staff feel they would be a good fit for the program. Please contact the Recreation Director for more information at 608-9487.



## **The 8<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade CIT program**

The 8<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> Grade CIT program is back again this year. 8<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> graders who like working with children and want to gain experience can apply to be a Counselor In Training. There are School Year and Summer positions available... and it's a FREE Program.

## **Preschool Programs**

### **Preschool Soccer is BACK!**

Dates: Mondays - May 13 - June 17 (No class on May 27)

Time: 9 -10 am

Where: SAU Field - Off Cate Street, behind Tennis/ BBall Courts

Cost: \$25 per child (5 week program)

Coaches: Manon, Kristin & Nicole

### **Preschool Sports & TBall**

Dates: Wednesdays - May 15- June 12

Time: 1 – 2 pm

Where: SAU Field – Off Cate Street, behind Tennis/ BBall Courts

Cost: \$25 per child (5 week program)

Coaches: Manon, Abby & Nicole

### **Middle School Program**

Hershey Track & Field Registration Forms are Now Available.

Age: 9-14

Practice will be held at EES Field and Track starting the beginning of June (exact date TBA)

Cost: \$20 per child (covers staff, t-shirt and race fees)

Parents must provide own transportation to and from races.

Please contact Nicole at 608-9487 for more info.

Coach: Mary Ellen Colford

### **Other programs**

New This Year... We just finished up our trial year of our Learn To Ski & Snowboard Program with McIntyre Ski Area! The program was a great success and will be offered again next year. This program is a parent supported program and will require parent support, in order to be offered again next year. If you are interested in being placed on a list for more information next year, please e-mail us at [eppingrecreation@gmail.com](mailto:eppingrecreation@gmail.com).

We are currently working on a Volleyball Skills Program for children in Grades 3 - 6. If you're interested in receiving more information when we're further along in our plans, please send us an email.

## **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 Thursday and Sunday nights.

Days / Times: Thursday - 7:30 - 9:00 pm

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."

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 days used. Once you have used your ten nights, bring in your next payment of \$30 for ten additional nights. You won't be allowed to play if we don't have a signed waiver and payment. The payment covers the cost of the staff to provide this program.

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.

### **Guitar Lessons**

(Please contact Joseph directly about this program, due to the Watson Academy closure.)

For children, teens, and adults alike, taking guitar lessons at Epping Recreation is an enjoyable, affordable, and rewarding experience. Taught by a highly recommended music instructor Joseph K. Murphy, lessons are designed to challenge and educate students while personalizing the curriculum to their musical tastes and needs. Lessons are for ages 8 to adult.

Rates: \$20.00 for ½ hour or \$35.00 for 1 hour.

Contact: Joseph K. Murphy 608-8672

[josephkmurphy@gmail.com](mailto:josephkmurphy@gmail.com)

<http://rockandrollwithme.wordpress.com>

### **Zumba**

The popular dance aerobics class is back in the Epping Recreation Department! Zumba Instructor Cassandra Mullen has started classes again on Thursday nights at 7:45 pm in the Epping Middle School Café. Cost: \$35 for a 6-week session or \$7 Drop-In.

Please visit Cassandra's Facebook page for more class information and to give music choice suggestions.

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

## **Martial Arts Programs at Epping Recreation and EES (offered by Derry ATA)**

### **Karate Classes**

Grades K - 8, Mondays and Thursdays at EES,  
3:15 - 4:15 pm, \$65 per month

\*SPECIAL: New students who sign up will receive TWO FREE WEEKS!

For more information or to sign your child up, please contact Mrs. DeNapoli at 434-9444 or e-mail at [dcdenapoli1023@gmail.com](mailto:dcdenapoli1023@gmail.com).

\*\*\*ALL beginners receive a FREE Uniform!\*\*\*

## **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 pm and goes until 4:30 pm..

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](http://www.eppinglighthouse.org) or you can e-mail us at [eppinglighthouse@hotmail.com](mailto:eppinglighthouse@hotmail.com) to request a form for more information!

We are currently accepting applications for volunteers to work at our Kids Club and Teen Central.

# **Families First**

## *support for families...health care for all*

Families First is offering a parenting class called "Growing Good Kids" (no child care available) on **Friday mornings from May 3<sup>rd</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup>**, 9:30 to 11:00 am, at the SAU building, 213 Main Street, Epping. Call 422-8208, press 2 or sign up online <http://www.familiesfirstseacoast.org/programs.cfm>.

Understand the four ages and stages of development every child goes through and how to enhance your child's learning at each stage. Learn about three parenting styles and discover how to begin building a lifelong bond with your child. Learn non-violent discipline skills that really work and how you can set rules that your child can understand and follow. Discover how the power of encouragement helps children learn positive behavior at an early age. Understand the importance of taking care of yourself as well as your child. Facilitated by Allison Dillon, Early Childhood Specialist.

Exeter Family Morning Out (for ages 0-6 with parents) continues on **Thursdays (except April 25)** at Exeter Parks and Recreation 9:30-11:00 am. Please sign up online or call 422-8208, press 2.

Does your child have a chronic health condition? Partners in Health may be able to help. For families who have a child (aged 0 - 21) with an ongoing health condition, Partners in Health offers advocacy; resources; assistance in navigating school, insurance and medical systems; education, support and encouragement. Call Families First at 422-8208, ext.146, and Anna can meet with you to assess your needs.

Defusing Your Child's Temper Tantrums... Helping Siblings Get Along... Making Home Healthy... Who's In Charge?... Anger Help for Everyday Parenting... These classes and more are being offered this spring at the Families First. Check our website for details and online sign up: <http://www.familiesfirstseacoast.org/programs.cfm>.

### **Need Support at Home?**

Families First offers a free program in which a family worker will meet with you on an ongoing basis -- in your home or at another convenient location -- to help you identify needs, access services, and learn skills to reduce stress and improve family life.

Family workers can help with:

a. meeting your family's basic needs (housing, transportation, utilities, food, etc.).

b. improving your parenting skills and building strong parent/child relationships.

c. parenting a child who has a chronic illness (advocating for your child, accessing resources, navigating systems such as schools, insurance companies and medical providers).

For more information, call 422-8208, ext. 314 or visit [www.FamiliesFirstSeacoast.org/oneonone.html](http://www.FamiliesFirstSeacoast.org/oneonone.html)



## Epping School District News

This school year we will have a similar school calendar to last year's. There will be no early release days and professional development training days for staff members have been scheduled on days prior to long holiday weekends. Please visit [www.sau14.org](http://www.sau14.org) for the 2012 - 2013 School Calendar.

### 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](http://www.sau14.org) under School Board/Agenda & Minutes. Epping Television is also streaming meetings that you can watch live anywhere on your computer at: <http://etv.22.pegcentral.com>

**May 2<sup>nd</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>**

**June 6<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>**

## Epping Elementary School (EES)

### EES Volunteer Appreciation Tea

There will be a Volunteer Appreciation Tea on **June 21<sup>st</sup>** from 1:30 to 2:00 pm as a big thank you to the Epping Elementary School Volunteers. The Tea will be followed by a Volunteer Appreciation Assembly from 2:15 to 2:45 pm.

The staff and students want to express their heartfelt thanks for the service of the volunteers throughout the school year. With their help and diligence, staff and students are able to accomplish so much more!!!

### EES School Calendar

**May. 6** – PTO meeting 7:00 pm in the EES Art Room. Free babysitting in the Library

**May 6-10** – Teacher & Staff Appreciation Week

**May 6-31** – NWEA Testing

**May 6-23** – NECAP Science testing for Grade 4

**May 8** – School Nurse's Day

**May 8 & 9** – Grade 4 Field Trips to the New Hampshire State House and the Pierce Manse in Concord

**May 9** – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Parents' Information Night at EMS from 6:30 – 7:30 pm

**May 14 & 15** – Grade 1 Field Trip to the Children's Museum of NH

**May 24** – **NO SCHOOL** – Teacher Professional Development Day

**May 27** – **NO SCHOOL** – MEMORIAL DAY

**May 29** – Spring Concert for Grades 1, 3 & 5 and Advanced Band at 7:00 pm in EMS Gym

**May 30** – Spring Concert for Grades 2 & 4 and Beginning Band at 7:00 pm in EMS Gym

**June 3** – PTO meeting 7:00 pm in the EES Art Room. Free babysitting in the Library

**June 7** – Grade 3 Field Trip to SEE Science Center  
PTO Carnival from 6:00 to 8:00 pm

**June 10** – Grade 1 Field Trip to York Wild Animal Kingdom

**June 11** – Grade 4 Field Trip to Strawberry Banke and Gundalow Co. in Portsmouth

Field Day for Grades 1 & 2

**June 12** – Field Day for Grades 3, 4 & 5

**June 13** – Grade 4 Field Trip to Strawberry Banke and Gundalow Co. in Portsmouth

**June 14** – Grade 2 Field Trip to Seacoast Science Center

**June 21** – Volunteer Appreciation Tea & Assembly

**June 26** – Awards Assembly

Grades 1-4 from 9 – 11 am

Grade 5 from, 1:15 – 2:45 pm

Last Day of School for Students

**June 28** – Last Day of School for Teachers

## EES Honor Roll for 3rd Quarter of the 2012-2013 School Year

### GRADE 3

**Highest honors:** Kaitlyn Boelter, Trey Finkelstein, Jade Gagnon, Jessica Galante, Julia Hardy, Elizabeth Hobbs, Jacob Loving, Sasha McCabe, David Meyer, Kevin O'Connell, Aryaana Patnaude, Mikey Picard, Abigail Purchas, Maxwell Simpson, Jacklyn Tracy, Haley Williamson, Morgan Witmer

**Honors:** Will Barker, Jacob Brown, Melissa Daigle, Sydney Farris, Owen Finkelstein, Alex Greubel, Abigail Houston, Katrina Jansson, Stamatis Maschas, Patrick McTague, Wyatt Noel, Mikhail Ozols, Rachel Perron, Gracie Re, Zachary Rogers, Aaron Sable, Domenic Spinelli

### GRADE 4



**Highest honors:** Delaney Clough, Isabelle Deary, Tyson Dionne, Spencer Gaudreau, Alexa Guarante, Andrew LeBlanc, Erika MacLeod, Ryan MacVicar, Mackenzie McAniff, Taya Morgado, Arianna Murphy, Meaghan Murphy, Jenna Needham, Ciara Paley, Cassidy Wall, Abigail Walsh, Alexander Wyatt

**Honors:** Alexa Bade, Mia Boccelli, Josh Coolidge, Cody DeLorge, Nico Greubel, Emma Harrington, Owen Hayes, Alyssa Higginbottom, Kalee Hill, Ryan Hoelzel, Tayler Holt, Katrina Jennings, Scott Johnson, Madison Lambert, Jack LePage, Dillon McKenzie, Peter McTague, Jack Meyer, Ben Milbury, David Parents, Ryan Pinkham, Kaitlyn Prince, Emma Roussel, Kate Roussel, Luke Roussel, Abigail Roy, Brandon Spechuilli, Nico Spinelli, Haleigh Sullivan, Amara Stevens, Brynn Sweetsir, Payden Swidrak, Madelin Walsh, Megan Webber

#### **GRADE 5**

**Highest Honors:** Logan Aboshar, Hannah Armstrong, Muriel Bennett, Calle Bisailon, Mikayla Berger, Laura Duguie, Joe Furey, Ryan Glass, Samantha Johnson, Michael Killen, Trey Loving, Oakley Lustenberger, Olivia Parents, Hayley Pelletier, Mackenzie Rancati, Peyton Rivers, Makayla Swidrak, Faith Williamson, Joey Zheng

**Honors:** Luke Barker, Noah Bilodeau, Avalon Brown, Lyndsey Chevalier, Derek Dixey, Molly Gallagher, Trevor Hayes, Isabella Jensen, Keyghan Lewis, Peter Marrone, Jr., Karissa Martin, Hayden Miller, Ava Montalbano, Kayla Orthman, Isabella Snyder, Jacob Van Amburgh, Nathan Webber, Tyler Witmer

*Submitted by Cheryl A. MacLeay*

## **Epping Middle School (EMS)**

### **Sixth Graders Clean Up Wallis Sands**

On April 16<sup>th</sup>, in conjunction with the Blue Green Society for Marine Conservation of Portsmouth, 84 sixth grade students and 11 chaperones collected 59 pounds of trash from the beaches at Wallis Sands. This project, under the supervision of Language Arts Teacher Mandy Beidleman, is aligned with the sixth grade project theme of Global Awareness and Environmental issues.

Prior to the trip, students listened to a guest speaker from the Society on April 11<sup>th</sup>. She explained what the organization does, including its work with the protection of whales. The dangers of trash to marine life were outlined with examples such as how birds will eat plastic, which they cannot digest. They eventually die of starvation as

their stomachs seem full to them and they stop eating. Instructions were also given in the event that students come across injured animals. Students were also informed of how long it actually takes for different types of trash to break down.

Congratulations to the Yale Team for doing their part to help our environment!

### **Bullying Presentations to Be Held**

Malcolm Smith, Ph.D, Family Life and Family Policy Specialist, and Rick Allewa, Ed.D, Youth and Family Field Specialist, from the UNH Cooperative Extension, will be holding several presentations on understanding bullying. On **May 2<sup>nd</sup>**, grades 5-8 will attend the presentation and the faculty will attend after school. On **May 16<sup>th</sup>**, grades 9-12 will attend. The parent presentation will be held from 6:30 to 8:00 pm in the EHS gym on **May 16<sup>th</sup>**.

Topics for students will include: "How students can make a difference," and "Get involved; be an upstander." Parent information will cover: "Bullying: What Is It? Where/How Does It Occur?; 10 Myths about Bullying and Facts; Characteristics of Bullying and Cyber Bullying; Roles/Needs of Bullies, Victims and Bystanders; What Parents Can Do - with their child, with other parents and schools/youth programs.

### **EMS Pride Honor Roll for 3rd Quarter of the 2012-2013 School Year**

#### **Highest Honors in Learning:**

Meghan Galante, Allison Nee, Casey Needham, Lily O'Connell and Julianna Re from the **Yale Team (6)**; Maylee Gagnon, Konrad Hodgman and Chloe Meyers from the **Harvard Team (7)**.

#### **Highest Honors Work Habits/Effort:**

Meghan Galante, Allison Nee, Casey Needham, Lily O'Connell and Julianna Re from the **Yale Team (6)**; Maylee Gagnon, Victoria Maestas, Chloe Meyers, Rebecca Milbury and Katie Pelletier from the **Harvard Team (7)**; Emily Donovan, and Sophie Jordan from the **Dartmouth Team (8)**.

#### **Honors in Learning:**

MiKayla Ball, Addison Bickford, Sarah Braese, Hunter Bullock, Benjamin Colban, Ryan Donovan, Madison Downing, Kori Ellis, Colin Farris, Benjamin Fowler, Meghan Galante, Gage Gaudreau, Amber George, Gracia Jordan, Owen Joyal, Emilie LeBlanc, Matthew LeBlanc, Adam LePage, Megan Marasca, Ashley Martin, Maya Martin, Rachel Martin, Cerys McCabe, Alexis McDuffee, Destiny McKay, Casey Munguia, MacKenzie Newman, Jennifer Nikolova, Zachary Oumansour, Christopher Peck, Haskel Pim, Richard Pitkanen, Kiana Pond, Shelby Prestridge, Lauren Robbins,

Michaela Sable, Morgan Shanley, Abby Simard, and Ashlyn Vensel from the **Yale Team (6)**; Marissa Adams, Keelin Berger, Jacob Bisailon, Gaven Blakney, Everett Brown, Jr., Evelyn Carleton, Emma Coolidge, Jesse Ellis, Rianna Greenwood, Veronica Hackett, Parker Holt, Morgan Lambert, Damien LoPresti, Victoria Maestas, Rebecca Milbury, Katie Pelletier, Catriona Poulin, Tyler Wall, Kayla Wells, and Caleb West from the **Harvard Team (7)**; Madelyn Bentz, Emily Colban, Emily Donovan, Sophie Jordan, Carson Lustenberger, Brandi McKay, Danielle McKay, Jacob McKay, Michael McKay, Jr., Brenna Osgood, Sabrina Patterson, Matthew Pipitone, and Sophia Randall from the **Dartmouth Team (8)**.

*Submitted by Bruce Christie*

## Epping High School (EHS)

### EHS Honor Roll for 3rd Quarter of the 2012-2013 School Year

#### GRADE 9

**Principal's List:** Hanna Elizabeth Chomas, Patrick Michael Doherty, Abigail Lauren Dulin, Ryen Elizabeth Gallagher, Bradley Jameson George, Glenn William Hagan, Madeline Renee Marchisio, Noelle Ann Nee, Cameron Osgood Baxter, Bryce Owen Pietrini, Sabrina Alyssa Portes, Hunter Diane Quist, Elizabeth Jordan Powell, Alexa Dawn Wells, Bryanna Mae Wilson

**Honors:** Nicholas Cullen Arsenault, Justin Michael Bacon, John Patrick Boomhower, Madeline Lee Fowler, Matthew Kenneth Furey, Jessica Rose Gosselin, Dylan Joseph Greenwood, Jordan Nicole Higginbottom, Melissa Eve Hinton, Ashley Elizabeth Krenzer, Deanna Nicole McCullen, Chloe Patricia Pelletier, Zyan Anthony Prestridge, Katelyn Marie Sable

**Honorable Mention:** Thomas Howard Ayer, Zachary Ryan Bickford, Adriana Grace Brooks, Olivia Mae Goodrich, Brittany Elizabeth Kaiser, Ashley Morgan MacLeod, Danea Jaynee Welch

#### GRADE 10

**Principal's List:** Jeremy James Barbosa, Sarah Virginia Clements, Janet Desvira, Spencer Hughin Holt, Jennifer Morgan Jarosz, Evan Caird Silva, Rachel Eve Stone, Devon W Toland

**Honors:** Alexander Maxwell Hackett, Brooke Katherine Hall, Jessica Marie Hardy, Adrianna Angeline Lamparelli, Alba Maria Soto, Casey Marie Sturzo

**Honorable Mention:** Jamie Elizabeth Craig, Kaylin Adella Cray, Hannah Mezalee Mailhot, Megan Marie Mission

#### GRADE 11

**Principal's List:** Brittany Kara Bullock, Cassidy Christine Garrow, Chelsey Marie Gosselin, Alina Paulsen, Jamie Lynne Roy

**Honors:** Sydney Marie Chevalier, Shelby Terra Martin, Angus Patrick O'Leary, Jillian Claire Venuti

**Honorable Mention:** Katarina Maisoun Ashour, Taylor Leanne Barnes, Chandler Joseph Ronald Brissette, Nathan Michael Cameron, Zachary Thomas Campbell, Minette Frances Cantrall, Joseph Daniel Leclerc, Kelly Christine Seaman, Ngoc Bich Tran

#### GRADE 12

**Principal's List:** Holly Augustonovich, Sawyer James Begin, De Teng Gao, Megan Jean Illsley, Cory Robert Mills, Brianna J Parent, Kylie True Patton

**Honors:** Morgan Michelle King, Shannon Elizabeth Lee, Colleen Elizabeth McCormack, Alana Stephanie Milewski, Adam Spencer Parent, Colin Padraic James Spillane

**Honorable Mention:** John William Ayer, Scott Joseph Davidson, Linda Lou Handley, Olivia Pauline May Kimball, Janine Elise Perkins, Robert Scott Reinhold, David William Savage, Scott Eric Soucie

## Email Address Changed?

If your email address has changed, please notify Barbara Helmstetter at: [bhelmstetter@comcast.net](mailto:bhelmstetter@comcast.net).

## Newsletter Schedule

Have we missed your group or event? Please let us know. Our purpose is to include as many Epping groups and events as possible.

The next issue (**July-August**) of this newsletter will be available **on July 1, 2013**. We will accept **submissions through June 25, 2013**, to be included in the next issue. Please send your content with contact information for consideration to our Newsletter website at: [www.SpeakUpEpping.org](http://www.SpeakUpEpping.org) or by e-mail to [bhelmstetter@comcast.net](mailto:bhelmstetter@comcast.net).

Thanks for reading! - The Communications Group

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## Epping Calendar of Events for May 2013

May 2	Epping School Board meeting in Epping Town Hall – 7 pm
May 2	At Library “Baked Beans & Fried Clams – Edie Clark of Yankee Magazine – 7 pm
May 3, 4, 5	Boy Scout District Camporee in Brentwood
May 3 – 24	Families First Parenting class “Growing Good Kids” on Fridays – 9:30 – 11 am
May 4	Epping Community Church Food Pantry and Coats of Caring – 9 – 11 am
May 4	Epping Garden Club Plant and Yard Sale at American Legion on 125 – 9 – noon
May 6	EES PTO Meeting in the EES Art Room – 7 pm
May 6-10	EES Teacher and Staff Appreciation Week
May 8	Eclectic Book Group at the Library “Hunt Club” by Brett Lott – 7 pm
May 8	Knit Night at the Library – 7 pm
May 8 & 9	EES 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trips to the State House and the Pierce Manse in Concord
May 9	Epping Seniors meet at the Epping Safety Complex Fire Station at 1:00 pm
May 9	EES 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Parents’ Information Night at EMS – 6:30 – 7:30 pm
May 10	Epping Bible Baptist Church Food Pantry – 1:00 - 2:30 pm
May 10	Pajama Night at the Library – 6:30 pm for kids 2 – 8 Celebrate Moms
May 11	Epping Community Church Food Pantry and Coats of Caring – 9 – 11 am
May 13	Epping Garden Club meets at the Epping Safety Complex Fire Station – 6:30 pm
May 14	Friends of the Library – 7 pm
May 14 & 15	EES 1 <sup>st</sup> Grade Field Trips to the Children’s Museum of NH
May 15	Dusty Old Mystery Book Group at the Library “Murder on the Orient Express” – 7 pm
May 16	Epping School Board meeting in Epping Town Hall – 7 pm
May 17	Civil War Roundtable of NH meeting in Epping Town Hall – 7:15 pm
May 17	Epping Bible Baptist Church Food Pantry – 1:00 – 2:30 pm
May 18	Historical Society Yard Sale (rain date May 25) in the Town Hall Parking Lot
May 18	Epping Community Church Food Pantry and Coats of Caring – 9 – 11 am
May 18	Epping Community Church Dinner – 5 – 7 pm “Roast Turkey Dinner”
May 18	Spring Tea Party at the Library – 11 am – 1 pm
May 21	Library Board of Trustees Meeting – 7:15 pm
May 22	Dusty Old Mystery Book Group at the Library – 7 pm
May 22	Cub Scout Pack Meeting in the Epping Middle School Café – 6:30 – 7:30 pm
May 22	Knit Night at the Library – 7 pm
May 23	At Library “Lizzie Borden Took an Axe, But Did She?” by Dr. Annette Holba – 7 pm
<b>May 24</b>	<b>NO SCHOOL – TEACHER PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY</b>
May 25	Epping Community Church Food Pantry and Coats of Caring – 9 – 11 am
<b>May 27</b>	<b>NO SCHOOL – MEMORIAL DAY</b>
May 27	Memorial Day Parade starting at the American Legion – 9 am
May 27	Epping Community Church Open House – 9 – 11 am
May 27	Town Hall closed – Memorial Day
May 28	Epping Lions Club meeting at the Epping Edward Jones office on Route 125 – 6:30 pm
May 29	EES Spring Concert for Grades 1, 3, & 5 and Advanced Band in EMS Gym – 7 pm
May 30	EES Spring Concert for Grades 2 & 4 and Beginning Band in EMS Gym – 7 pm



## Epping Calendar of Events for June 2013

Date	Event
June 1	Epping Community Church Food Pantry and Coats of Caring – 9 – 11 am
June 1	Raymond Regatta and Family Fun Day
June 1	4-H Activities Day at UNH
June 3	EES PTO Meeting in the EES Art Room – 7 pm
June 4	EHS Awards Night – EMS Gym – 6 pm
June 6	Epping School Board meeting in Epping Town Hall – 7 pm
June 7	EES 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Field Trip to SEE Science Center
June 7	EES PTO Carnival – 6 – 8 pm
June 8	Epping Community Church Food Pantry and Coats of Caring – 9 – 11 am
June 10	Epping Garden Club meets at the Epping Safety Complex Fire Station – 6:30 pm
June 10	EES 1 <sup>st</sup> Grade Field Trip to York Wild Animal Kingdom
June 11	EES Field Day for Grades 1 & 2
June 11	EES 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip to Strawberry Banke and Gundalow Co in Portsmouth
June 11	Friends of the Library – 7 pm
June 11	EHS Senior Dinner EMS Gym – 6 pm
June 12	Eclectic Book Group at the Library – “The Thornbirds” by Colleen McCullough – 7 pm
June 12	Knit Night at the Library – 7 pm
June 12	EES Field Day for Grades 3, 4 & 5
June 13	Epping Seniors meet at the Epping Safety Complex Fire Station – 1:00 pm
June 13	EES 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip to Strawberry Banke and Gundalow Co in Portsmouth
June 14	EES 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade Field Trip to Seacoast Science Center
June 14	Pajama Night at the Library – 6:30 pm for kids 2 – 8 – “Escape from Planet Earth” PG
June 14	Epping Bible Baptist Church Food Pantry – 1:00 – 2:30 pm
June 14	EHS Graduation – High School Field – 6 pm
June 15	Epping Community Church Food Pantry and Coats of Caring – 9 – 11 am
June 18	Library Board of Trustees Meeting – 7:15 pm
June 19	Dusty Old Mystery Book Group at the Library – 7 pm
June 20	Epping School Board meeting in Epping Town Hall – 7 pm
June 21	Civil War Roundtable of NH meeting – 7:15 pm in Epping Town Hall
June 21	Epping Bible Baptist Church Food Pantry – 1:00 – 2:30 pm
June 21	EES Volunteer Appreciation Tea and Assembly – 1:30 – 2:45 pm
June 22	Epping Community Church Food Pantry and Coats of Caring – 9 – 11 am
June 22	Epping Community Church Dinner – 5 – 7 pm “Roast Turkey Dinner”
June 22	4th Annual Toy Drive and Sale at the Library
June 25	Epping Lions Club meeting at the Epping Edward Jones office on Route 125 – 6:30 pm
<b>June 25</b>	<b>DEADLINE DATE for the July-August issue of the Newsletter</b>
June 26	Knit Night at the Library – 7 pm
June 26	EES Awards Assembly
<b>June 26</b>	<b>LAST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS</b>
June 29	Epping Community Church Food Pantry and Coats of Caring – 9 – 11 am

If you would like your next event to appear on the Calendar of Events, please send us an e-mail at [speakupepping@gmail.com](mailto:speakupepping@gmail.com) by **June 25, 2013**. Please include the date, event name, location and time.