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About this Newsletter

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The Speak Up, Epping! Communications Group is pleased to announce our brand new website: <u>www.speakupepping.org</u> Each new issue of the Newsletter will now only be available by downloading it from our website. You will also find late breaking news, past Newsletters, town links, calendars and all our ads with links to our advertisers' websites and spotlights on several of our businesses.

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HELP - Knitters Needed

Knit a hat for a soldier. They wear these under their helmets. Real easy pattern! See Joyce at the Town Hall for a free pattern or contact her at 679-5441 ext 101.



Epping Lions Club

Our September meeting was held downstairs at Town Hall and it was a packed house! A speaker from **Rockingham County Adult Day Program**, Krissi Hammami, gave a presentation and answered questions. Her mission was to spread the word that services of this sort are available in the area for senior citizens. Also, Robin Clements spoke on behalf of **Autism Speaks** and Epping Stars. Her goal was to raise awareness for autistic children and the programs in place to support them. Our third and final speaker was President Pam, who reviewed our first big fund-raising effort (Highnote Festival) and gave kudos to all involved. Thank you to the McPhee's for allowing us to be a part of your wonderful event.

Although vision assistance and screening is part of the Lions International "foundation", the Epping Lions would like to address the needs of our community right here in town. If anyone has ideas or suggestions of how we could best serve the town, feel free to let us know.

The Epping Lions meet on the 4th Tuesday of every month at 6:30pm in the High School Media Center. Our November meeting will be November 24th. New members and guests are always welcome! Our website is <u>http://epping.nhlions.org/</u> stop in for a visit! *Contacts...*

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Can you tell the difference between a weed and a flower?

How about an annual from a perennial?

Have you always wanted to add curb appeal, interest, design or color to your home?

Or just wanted to make a difference in your community but didn't know where to start?

Can you share with us which plants love the sun? Which ones prefer shade or which will attract birds?

If you have an interest in learning about gardening or are an avid gardener, we need you! Come join the Epping Garden Club.

We are looking for new members to learn and grow, to teach and share, young and old.

To enjoy the love of gardening and apply what we learn to our neighborhood.

If interested, join us on November 4th at 6:30 p.m. at the Harvey Mitchell Memorial Library or call Debbie at 793-4418.

Senior Moments

-Submitted by Irene R. Cote

The Epping Watson Academy Senior Citizens Club recently celebrated our 10th anniversary. There was a great party but we also began filling the time capsule to be buried soon and not dug up for fifty years. We also planted a beautiful red maple tree at the site of the Watson Academy. Of course, we had our pictures taken in front of the 17ft tree but we were pretty clever as well. Our mascot, Julia Hardy was at the front in our picture along with the time capsule. This photo will go into the capsule with information about the event and all the names. Naturally, we will not be around when the capsule is retrieved but it is our hope that little Julia, who is now six years old, will be. We also hope she will remember everyone in the picture. She will certainly enjoy seeing how much the tree has grown. As a matter of fact, the children at Epping Recreation will also enjoy the tree and they will be the ones who will bury the time capsule. They are also looking forward to putting things inside the capsule that may be described in fifty years as "What's That?" We've already tested them. We showed them a piece of carbon paper that will go into the capsule. Can you imagine what they imagined? They had no clue.

The Club is now getting ready to send packages to the service men and women overseas. We plan to send several boxes of useful items as well as our homemade cookies. They should get these packages before Christmas. We do have a few names of local service people but if anyone knows of someone who is either in Iraq or Afghanistan, please let the Club know. We would love to do something special for them. Some of the ladies in the Club are knitting caps for the soldiers. They like to wear them under their helmets and they especially love to get hand made ones. We even have a 99 year old senior, who is the mom of one of our members, knitting away and she has already delivered more then twenty caps. She's quite a lady!

The local Food Pantry is another project we enjoy supporting. Food items and funds are being collected at each meeting.

For more information about the Club, please call the Recreation Department at 679-3301.

Rockingham Activities for Seniors Side by Side for Independent Living: A Program for Older Adults, their Families and Caregivers

Rockingham County Adult Medical Day Program and NAMI NH (*National Alliance on Mental Illness NH*) are pleased to offer the following series of <u>free</u> educational sessions for individuals interested in caregiver issues. Sessions will be held on Tuesdays 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. from October 27 thru November 10 at the Rockingham County Complex, 117 North Road, Brentwood.

Topics will include: Meeting Caregiver Needs: Supports for the Support Person on October 27, Understanding Depression in Older Adults on November 3 and Wellness and Healthy Living on November 10.

Individuals are welcome to attend all sessions, or just select the ones of particular interest. Registration is FREE, though pre-registration is required. For more information or to register, contact: Bernie Seifert at (603) 714-1737 or email: <u>bseifert@naminh.org</u>.



Remember that you can now find the Leddy Center in the new theater in Ladd's Lane in Epping and all classes and private lessons and all productions are now being held at the new location. We hope all of Epping will come and enjoy our beautiful new theater.

Upcoming productions at the Leddy Center this fall include "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory"

from October 30 to November 15 and "A Christmas Carol" from December 4 to 13.

Join us for a fabulous Season 2009! Ticket prices are \$18 and \$16. Ticket Office hours are Monday through Friday from 3:00 - 5:00 p.m.

And vote now online at the Leddy Center website for which show you'd like to see this summer. The choices are:

Camelot **HMS** Pinafore None of these Either of these Call us at 679-2781 or visit us online at www.leddycenter.org.



ETV Schedule Channel 22 - ETV - Schedule - live programs

Selectmen Monday - Nov. 2 - 7 pm Monday - Nov. 9 - 7 pm Monday - Nov. 16 -7 pm Monday - Nov. 23 - 7 pm Monday - Nov. 20 - 7 pm These Monday Night programs will be rebroadcast: 1/2 hour after meeting Tuesday - 7 pm Wednesday - 11 am Thursday - 3 pm Monday - 2 am Water & Sewer Tuesday - Nov. 17 - 7 pm **Firewards** Tuesday - Nov. 24 - 7 pm These Tuesday Night programs will be rebroadcast: 1/2 hour after meeting Wednesday - 7 pm Thursday - 11 am Monday - 3 pm Tuesday - 2 am **Budget Committee** Wednesday - Nov. 18 - 7 pm **Zoning Board of Adjustment** Wednesday - Nov. 4 - 7 These Wednesday Night programs will be rebroadcast: 1/2 hour after meeting Thursday - 7 am Monday - 11 am Tuesday - 3 pm Wednesday - 2 am

School Board

Thursday - Nov. 5 - 7 pm Thursday - Nov. 19 - 7 pm These Thursday Night programs will be rebroadcast: 1/2 hour after meeting Monday - 7 am Tuesday - 11 am Wednesday - 3 pm Thursday - 2 am

The December schedule was not available by our deadline date. There are also school sports games that have not been scheduled as yet. You may find the latest information on the ETV Bulletin Board (Channel 22).



Scouting Around Epping

Cub Scout Pack 136

Scout Pack 136 honored several guests at the pack meeting October 21. These organizations helped the pack earn back the money that was embezzled last year. Those honored were the Exeter Area New Car Dealers Association, Wal-Mart Distribution Center in Raymond NH, Rose Lynn Ice Cream of Epping and the Epping Firefighters Association and Fire Explorer Post 716. The theme of the evening was Jungle Safari. The Dens had songs and skits that represented the theme. Some of the upcoming activities are a trip to a Corn Maze at Copal House Farm in Lee, an evening at the Manchester Monarch Hockey game on Saturday January 23, and overnight on the Battleship USS Massachusetts in Fall River Massachusetts on Friday April 30.

Cub Scouts are 1st to 5th grade and information to join may be obtained from Cubmaster Matthew Cray at 679-2677 or crayjunk@comcast.net

Boy Scout Troop 136

The Troop held a Court Of Honor September 28 and gave out merit badges that were earned at Scouts receiving Rank Summer Camp. advancement: Eric Ouellette received the 2nd Class Scout rank, Dan Belliveau 1st Class Scout and Haydn Reese, Life Scout.

The troop plans on having at least one outdoor event each month. The Activities include a winter fun weekend and a Polar Bear weekend where the Scouts will build shelters to live in for the weekend. Boy Scouts begin at 10 ¹/₂ years old (and completed the 5th grade) and continue up to their 18th birthday. For information call Cliff Cray, 679-5125 or deacon100@comcast.net

Scouting for Food

The Cub Scouts and Boy Scout Troop 136 will be putting hangers on doors in all the neighborhoods of Epping on November 7. On November 14, please fill a bag with food for the needy and put it where it can be seen from the road by 9:00 a.m. and the Scouts will pick them up. If your bag is not picked up, please drop it at the Epping Community Church for the Epping Food Pantry.



In Girl Scouts, you can:

Learn a new sport; travel and go on overnights; make friends, explore science, nature, and the world around you; have a ton of fun, and make a difference in your community and the world all with other girls your age with guidance from really great adults. Girls Scouts is a place where you can be yourself, enjoy the things that interest you most, and explore new ideas. Through Girl Scouting, you will discover the fun, friendship, and power of girls together.

Girl Scout programs are available for girls Grades K-12. For more information, contact Martha Abney, Service Unit Manager - Epping/Fremont 303-9497, liber@comcast.net

or visit Girl Scouts of the Green and White Mountains at www.girlscoutsgwm.org.



Explorer Post 716 and the

Epping Fire Department

Epping Fire Department

The Firefighters association has purchased a plaque commemorating the dedication of the Safety Complex and presented it to the Selectmen on October 19. This plaque will be bolted to the front of the building in the near future,

The Fire Department is looking for new members interested in the Fire Service and or the Emergency Medical Service. All training is paid for by the fire department. For more information call the station at 679-5446 or stop by weekdays and get a tour.

Get your baby car seat inspected. Call the fire station at 679-5446 and ask for Firefighter Cole. He will make your safety seat appointment.

Explorer Post 716

The Fire Explorers will be hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive on Saturday November 7 from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm at the Epping Safety Complex at 37 Pleasant Street. There will be food and drinks courtesy of our local coffee shops and restaurants.

A food drive will be held at Wal-Mart on November 14 to benefit the Epping Food Pantry.

The Explorers have the opportunity to attend the New Hampshire State Fire Academy in Concord as well as training on all facets of the fire and EMS at their meetings held at the Epping Safety complex. For information on the Explorer Post call the station at 679-5546 or Captain Cliff Cray at 679-5125. deacon100@comcast.net

American Legion News

Sunday morning breakfasts will take place from 8:00-11:00am at the Epping R.A. Mitchell American Legion Post 51 on November 8th and December 13th. The cost is \$3.00 for adults, \$2.00 for children.

There will be a trip to Mohegan Sun on November 14. Tickets are \$40. The bus leaves the post parking lot at 7:00am. (gather between 6 and 6:30) and returns at about 8:00pm. There will be free food and drinks on the trip down.

The Children's Christmas Party is on December 12 from 1 to 3 pm. Call ahead to register your children.

On December 19, the Adult Christmas Party and potluck is from 8pm until midnight.

There is Karaoke every Friday night and every other Saturday night from 8pm to midnight and cards on Friday and Saturday nights, too.

For more information about any of these events, please call us at 679-8520 or stop by the Post. Members and guests are welcome.

The Civil War Roundtable of NH

The Civil War Roundtable of New Hampshire was founded in May, 1991, by Malcom Weatherbee and past Town Librarian, Duane Shaffer. The CWRT-NH is a group of men and women who share a common interest in the Civil War that claimed the lives of some 600,000 Americans. It is dedicated to educating, preserving and restoring this part of US History.

Meetings are held at 7:15 pm in the Town Hall. Meetings are also televised live on ETV-22.

The meeting schedule for 2009/2010 is:

2009: 2nd Friday November 13 No meeting in December

2010:

3rd Friday January 15 3rd Friday February 19 3rd Friday March 19 3rd Friday April 16 2nd Friday May 14 3rd Friday June 18 No meeting in July/August 2nd Friday September 10 3rd Friday October 15 2nd Friday November 12 No meeting in December

The CWRT-NH has a connection with Epping. Duane Shaffer has a huge interest in the history of the Civil War. Also, many Epping citizens fought in this conflict.

Please contact Vice President Dan Bennis at (603) 679-1453 with any questions or for more information. Their website is: cwrt-nh.org.

Epping Community Church ECC Contact Information

Located at the corner of Route 27 and Main Street in Epping, the Epping Community Church sponsors, organizes and hosts the Community Food Pantry, Coats of Caring, and Thursday Soup of the Day Café. Each program is available to any who find themselves in time of need.

There is no charge or fee required to receive help from the Food Pantry, for coats, scarves, mittens, or for the Thursday luncheon meal. Caring individuals make these programs possible.

During the 2009 calendar year, the food pantry program is on target for serving over 1500 families and individuals. A very special "thank you" to those who join us in caring for others. We partner with them and want you to know of their caring support!

OUR PARTNERS

St. Joseph Catholic Church Boy Scouts Food Drive Epping Elementary School Epping Middle School Epping Post Office Food Drive Starbucks, Epping Hannaford's, Raymond The Residents Club of Rockingham County Nursing Home The Bakery of John Crandall Local residents who donate eggs, garden vegetables, etc. Monetary Donations by local residents and ECC members. Volunteers who give of their time to make this possible!

The **FOOD PANTRY** is open two times weekly, January through December. Canned goods, bakery items, sundries, meats, and other staples are often available through the pantry. We realize that every want may not be met. But the FOOD PANTRY attempts to be a transitional help and temporary assistance to those for whom the FOOD PANTRY plays an important part in meeting their nutritional needs.

Hours of Operation Thursday Mornings 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Saturday Mornings 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Our <u>COATS OF CARING</u> program provides warm outerwear such as coats, jackets, windbreakers, scarves, mittens, etc. These likenew items are donated by local individuals and businesses. Individuals are invited to come and see if there is a size that fits and a style they like. All items are provided without cost to the recipient.

Months and Hours of Operation

Mid-October—March Thursday Mornings 9:00—10:00 am Saturday Mornings 9:00—10:00 am

The THURSDAY SOUP OF THE DAY CAFÉ

provides a warm lunch and opportunity for fellowship around the table. There are generally two soup types available and always homemade from some of the best recipes around.

January through December Hours of Operation

Thursdays 11:00 am —12: 30 pm

We are grateful for the community support and to those who partner with us in this ministry.

Another program begun this year is our **<u>TELEPHONE CARE</u>** program. The design of the program is to provide a daily contact for those who find it comforting to know that once in the morning Monday through Friday an individual from the church will call to check and see that things are okay and the day has started.

Earlier this year we had an individual who did not answer the phone when one of our volunteers called. We sent an individual to check and see that things were okay. It is a kind of "friendly safety net" that many find helpful. Whether for an aging parent, a home alone elder, a shut-in or any other need, TELEPHONE CARE provides comfort and assurance knowing that someone is calling to be sure you are okay. This program is provided all year long. If you are interested in having TELEPHONE CARE for yourself or someone you love call 679-5542 and leave your name and telephone number where we may call you and talk further. There is no cost or fee associated with this program.

THIRD SATURDAY DINNERS On November 21, the dinner is Baked Ham with Green Bean Casserole, Macaroni & Cheese, Cole Slaw, Rolls & butter, Brownies & Ice Cream, Beverage. Served 5 to 7 pm, adults \$8, under 12 \$4.

A special Holiday Dinner will be served on **December 19**. This will be a reservation only dinner. Please watch updates on this website speakupepping.org for menu & price. Call 679-5542 for reservations. Check our website, find us on twitter and facebook. If you want information about our church, the congregation, any of our program ministries, dinners, etc., feel free to contact us through our email address, the pastor's email address, or contacting us through our church telephone number 603-679-5568 (If no one is present, please leave your name, phone number and inquiry. We will return your call).

FRIDAY NIGHT PIZZA has resumed from 5 to 7 pm. Many in our community enjoy pizza and knowing that they are helping us achieve our goal raising \$500,000 toward our building program. We are in need of additional space for ministries and other needed programming. Thank you all for supporting Friday Night Pizza.

New this issue are UP COMING EVENTS: ICE CREAM SMORGASBORD:

in conjunction with FRIDAY NIGHT PIZZA - Friday **November 6th**, Cost \$3

<u>CHRISTMAS</u> WREATHS: 14 inch <u>FRESH</u> Christmas wreaths will be available. All wreaths come with bows. They must be ordered by November 8th. May be picked up Friday evening Dec. 4th, between 5 & 7 pm and may be additionally decorated at this time (at no additional cost).

They may also be picked up the next morning, Saturday, Dec. 5th, between 9 & 11 am but may not be additionally decorated at this time.

SILPADA DESIGNS FUND RAISER: Saturday, Nov. 14th, 11 am to 2 pm - Get your holiday shopping done early! A fabulous collection of the finest in .925 Sterling Silver Jewelry. Over 125 pieces will be on display. Come & preview Silpada's fine collection of sterling silver, fresh water pearls, black onyx, coral, amber, blue sodalite, turquoise and much more! Jewelry does not contain nickel. If you are not able to attend and/or would like to place an order, please contact: Cindy Arnold at 603-502-3806 or April McGough at 603-742-2145. You can preview the Silpada catalogue by visiting: www.mysilpada.com/april.mcgough

25 % of total sales are to be donated to the church.

CHRISTMAS BAKERY FAIR & LUNCHEON: Saturday, **Dec. 12th**, 10 am to 2 pm.. Homemade Pies, Breads, Cookies, Coffeecakes and a whole lot more that can be eaten or brought home and frozen for Christmas. Christmas cookie decorating for kids. Plus Soup of the Day Cafe Luncheon - \$5 per person. Fish Chowder, Corn Chowder, Salad, Bread, Crackers, Coffee, Tea or Juice.

CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE: Thursday, at 7 pm, December 24th, we will hold our Annual Christmas Eve Candlelight Service. Special Bell Choir and Choir selections.

St. Joseph Church

208 Pleasant Street (Rt 27) Epping, NH 03042 679-8805 **Parish Christmas Fair, November 14**th 8:00 am to 4:00 pm All are invited to come! Pictures with Santa, baked goods, raffles, including ½ cord of wood, money raffles, theme baskets, silent auction, kid's activities. Breakfast and lunch served. Come and join the fun!

Parish Advent Penance Service

Sunday, **December 6th at 2:00 pm**

Christmas Masses

Vigil, December 24th at 4:30 pm and 7:00 pm Midnight Mass Christmas Day, December 25th 8:00 am and 10:00 am

Providence Baptist Church

Christmas Eve Candle Light Service 6:00 pm. Choir Chimes and all the old Christmas Hymns Join us each Sunday for: Life Enhancing Sunday School All Ages 9:15 am. Life Changing Worship Service 10:45 am. Nursery and Kids Church available during Service Contact: Rev. Adam W. Houston Providence Baptist Church 410 Pleasant Street Epping, NH 03042 Office: 603-679-8918

Epping Bible Baptist Church

November 1, December 6 at 6:00 pm - Evening worship service with communion.

Sundays: November 1, 8, 15, 22, 29; December 6, 13, 20, 27 8:00-9:15 am - Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall. Free! Plan to join us. 9:25 am - Sunday School for all ages 10:45 am - Morning Worship Service

- 6:00 pm Evening Worship Service
- Mondays: November 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; December 7, 14, 21, 28 6:30 pm - Faith Bible Institute at EBBC

Tuesdays: November 3, 10, 17, 24; December 1, 8 10:00 am Coffee Break Ladies Bible Study at the home of Sharon Fernie - "A Woman of Worth" Focus on the Family Series

Wednesdays: November 4, 18, 25; December 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 7:00 pm - Young Adult Group at EBBC and also 7:00 pm - Prayer meeting at Parsonage

Thursdays: November 6, 13, 20, 27; December 4, 11, 18 6:45 pm - AWANA

Fridays: November 13, 20; December 11, 18 1:00 - 2:30 pm - Food Pantry at EBBC

Saturdays; November 14, 21, 28; December 5, 19 7:00 pm - Youth Group

Special Upcoming Events

December 18 – January 4 Winter Faith Bible Elective – Doctrine of Angels November 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 Annual Supercharged Conference "Choices Made. Future Laid" Powerful preaching, Uplifting music! November 7 - 6:00 pm Supercharged Conference potluck dinner November 10 6:00 pm Conference continues November 9, 10, 11 7:00 pm Conference continues December 10 - 10:00 am Women's Ministry committee meeting December 12 - 7:00 pm Women's Ministry Christmas Tea

News from the Historical Society

Submitted by Madelyn Williamson, Curator It's a pleasure to work with our Epping Television crew. Thanks to them, some of our vintage photos of Epping are now being shown on ETV.

This idea has sparked many positive comments and real interest in our town's history. We are welcoming more first time and repeat visitors of all ages and historical interests to the Society than usual for this time of year. And there's more to come on this project, so keep watching!

Come in yourself and find out what your Epping Historical Society is all about.

Hours: Mon 10am-1pm, Wed 10am-2pm.

Harvey Mitchell Memorial

Library

151 Main Street, Epping – right next door to Town Hall

(603) 679-5944

As the holidays begin their annual pull on our time and our wallets, we at the library would like to begin the season by saying thank you to our wonderful patrons. Through staff changes, policy revisions and furniture re-arrangements you have been steadfast, supporting the efforts we make to provide the best little town library we can manage. Without people to borrow books, recommend movies and attend programs the library would just be another 45 year old building full of stuff. The sense of community that we all feel here makes it a warm and welcoming place to work and to visit. We hope all of you, regardless of your life stresses, find ways to enjoy the season that is upon us.

The library will be closed for the following holidays in November and December: Wednesday, November 11 Veteran's Day Thursday, November 26 Thanksgiving Friday, December 25 Christmas Day

The library is usually open Monday through Friday from 10am to 8pm and Saturdays from 10am to 2pm.

Did you know that the library typically receives 3 to 5 boxes of donated books and other media each week? Though we try to incorporate donations into our collection, most of them end up either in our Book Sale Room or going to the transfer station for paper recycling. We send some of our donated items to a great company called Better World Books (look them up online at Betterworldbooks.com), but even they have limitations on what they will accept. Folks who make use of the Book Sale Room can find some great bargains with hardcover titles selling for 50 cents and paperbacks selling for 25 cents. Audio books (mostly on cassette) and VHS tapes sell for one dollar each and all proceeds go to the Friends of the Library. Unfortunately, the donations always seem to outweigh the sales, and our Book Sale Room is filled to bursting. Because of this, we have decided to stop accepting donations of adult books Miss Tracie will still for the foreseeable future. accept hardcover children's books and movies on DVD or VHS, but asks that you seek family members and friends to share with before you bring your donations here. We love to see hand-medown items find new homes, so consider shopping in the Book Sale Room for economical gifts to top off a stocking or round out the box you send to the cousins. The Book Sale Room is open whenever the library is open, just ask a staff person to let you in.

Speaking of staff, we now have a full library staff once again! Epping High School senior Marissa Bean was hired in October to fill the Children's Room Evening Assistant position vacated by Rebecca Day. If you visit the library between 5 and 8 pm, please introduce yourself to Marissa. We're thrilled to have her on board! In addition, we have another Epping High School senior, Dani Bennis, helping two Saturdays each month. What began as a volunteer opportunity has become an internship for Danielle and a big boost for the staff. It's great to have so many friendly local faces helping in the children's room.

Coming Up in November and December: For Adults:

Book Groups – please call 679-5944 for monthly book group selections:

New Mystery Book Group: Meets the 1st Tuesday of each month.

Eclectic Book Group: Meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month.

Dusty OI' Mystery Book Group: Meets 3rd Wednesday of each month for folks who prefer the classics.

Dessert and a Movie: a free night out for adults – Because this event falls on the 4th Thursday each month, we will not be offering movies in November and December. Watch for its return in January.

Cinema 151: This new movie series that began in September has had a slow start. Meeting during the afternoon on the second and fourth Monday of each month, this program gives adults the opportunity to see films that have been confined to the small screen for decades, back on the "big" screen with stereo sound. If you are interested in seeing one of the classics, and have time at 1:00 on Mondays, please call the library with any request you might have. We will show them if people come to see them!

Programs for Children:

Preschool Story Hour has been enjoying a busy fall, reading great seasonal stories as well as the Ladybug Picture Book Nominees for 2009. This program provides playtime, songs, stories and crafts for children ages 2 - 6. There are currently 3 Story Hour times: Wednesdays at 10:30, and Thursdays at 10:30 and 1:30. Pre registration is not required and younger siblings are always welcome. We will continue to read the Ladybug Nominees and then vote for our favorite in November. Only children in 3rd grade and under may vote making this truly a kid's book award. In December we'll explore stories about the exciting holidays that make the short days of winter more fun.

Pajama Night: 2nd Friday each month at 6:30 pm.

Wear your PJs and bring a snack to share to this fun family event for kids ages 2-8. Crafts, stories and library-wide scavenger hunt.

November 13th – "If You Give a Pig a Party"

This month we'll let the library's Story Explorers author study of Laura Joffe Numeroff lead the way to circle stories, ice cream and blanket forts.

December 11th – "Magic of Christmas"

With so many amazing stories and crafts that share the magic of Christmas, the PJ night that started them all is always a wonderful way to get in the spirit of the season.

Story Explorers:

This after school program for children in kindergarten, first and second grades meets on Tuesdays from 3:30 to 4:30. There are 3 sessions during the year, each requiring pre-registration, as the class size is limited to 10. The fall session

continues until November 10th, when we will be preparing for Pajama Night. Because we've focused primarily on our chosen author for 8 weeks, we will be having a special meeting time on the 17th to read the stories nominated for this year's Ladybug Picture Book Award. Everyone will be voting for their favorite title, and then we'll send in our results and wait to see which book wins this statewide award. Because this is a bonus class, additional children may sign up to join the group on Ladybug Voting Day.

The winter session of Story Explorers will begin in January when we begin 12 weeks of preparing a theatrical presentation of a popular children's book to perform at the April Pajama Night. The spring session will run for 8 weeks in May and June, focusing on the art and science found in so many children's books. Snack is provided by gracious volunteers and parents are requested to remain in the building during class time. Call 679-5944 to register.

Toy Play Day: 4th Saturday each month 11:00 to 1:00 (usually)

After several quiet Saturdays when the weather was just too good to be inside the Play Day on a rainy Oct. 24th was wonderfully attended. Many thanks go to volunteer Keelin Berger who created a network of masking tape roads all around the children's room for the younger kids to enjoy. Due to the holidays, there will only be one Play Day during November and December. On Saturday, December 5th we will have our annual Holiday Tea Party from 11:00 to 1:00. Guests are invited to wear their favorite "dress-up" clothes and bring a doll to play house with friends before having a fancy Tea on real china. We may just have to read some Fancy Nancy stories too!

Vacation Movie Series:

During the week of December 28th there will be a movie each afternoon at 1:00 pm. Feature films newly released onto DVD will be shown in the children's room. There will be no Thursday afternoon Story Hour that week.

Friends of the Library

The Friends will be busily raising money for the library in November and December with 2 fundraisers. Throughout the month of November, the Wendy's in Epping will donate sales from 5 to 8 on Tuesday nights to our Friends group. Also, the annual **Silent Auction will begin November 9**th and run through December 5th. Donations of gift certificates, homemade items and gifts from local

businesses will be accepted until November 7th. Patrons vote with their library card number and must pay for their items by December 11th or forfeit to the next highest bidder.

We'd like to say thank you to the Friends for their \$50 donation to the Halloween Party and their purchase of a Skip Dr. machine to attempt repairs on our most "loved" DVDs. It is these special "extras" that the Friends are all about.

Remember, the Friends also host an on-going Food Pantry Donation Box in support of Epping's Food Pantry. Non-perishable items are always welcome to help neighbors who may be struggling to make ends meet. The box is located near the front door on the main level of the library.

Donate Your Old Cell Phone and Help Our Troops Call Home

More than 150,000 troops are serving overseas and are away from their families. Please make a donation of your old cell phone and provide 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. If you have any questions, please contact Joyce at 679-5441 ext 101.

Epping Recreation Department News Watson Academy 17 Academy Street

679-3301 rec@townofepping.com www.eppingrecreation.org

The Recreation Department aims to provide the residents of Epping with a broad selection of recreational, educational, and cultural leisure opportunities that will enhance the quality of life for all residents. We are always working to establish new programs and facilities that meet the community's changing needs.

Manchester Monarchs Hockey Game

Monarchs vs. Hershey Bears Saturday, November 7th Tickets at Watson Academy \$11 per person \$4 extra for a ride on the Rec. Bus (Middle School and older) Tickets on sale until October 30th Call 679-3301 for details.

Digital Cameras Needed

The Epping Recreation after school program is looking to begin a photography group with both the middle and elementary school programs and needs digital cameras in order to do so. We are seeking lightly used digital cameras with at least 4 megapixels and all of the wires and chargers that go with them. If you do not have a camera to donate but are interested in helping out we are accepting monetary donations as well. All donations can be brought to Watson Academy in Epping. Please call Sarah Kaiser at 679-3301 with questions.

TEENTalk group will meet each Wednesday at 5:30 at The Watson Academy building to:

Talk, share, listen, learn, and eat Any questions? Call 603.686.6844

To sign up or learn more about the program This program is sponsored by:

Epping/Newmarket Coalition for Youth and Families

Before and After School Programs

WAIT LIST HAS BEEN STARTED FOR THE ELEMENTARY PROGRAM! There are a few spots left in the Middle School program.

Registration is now open! Space is limited.

Sign up for five, four, three or two days per week for both programs.

\$3 per day per child for the before school program. \$8 per day per child for the after school program. Payment is due on a monthly basis.

Friends of Epping

After spending some time outdoors with the fresh air, blue sky and warm sun this summer, all of this daydreaming has caused some residents from town to think about what it would be like to have a community park here in Epping. Wouldn't it be nice to have an area where we can gather together with our families and friends for outdoor recreation and relaxation?

If you are interested in joining Friends of Epping to help enhance our community, join us during our monthly meetings at Watson Academy. We meet twice a month on the second and fourth Wednesday of the month at 6:00 pm.

Please contact Andrea Loving at 734-2826 or lovinggang@mvfairpoint.net.

Ceramics

Fridays, 3:30-4:30, Watson Academy

\$2 per class, greenware priced separately

PROGRAM DIRECTOR: Barbara Young is a multitalented volunteer and instructor. She received her certification with the National Ceramic Association in 1974 and has instructed children and adults in this exciting hobby for years. She has also taught grades 2 and 4, was the Children's Librarian at the Exeter Public Library and for the past 20 years she has been the school librarian for Epping Elementary School.

OPEN CLASSES: All Youth Ceramics classes are available to children ages 5 and up who have taken a techniques class or other ceramics class before. Whether you are a beginner or a pro, all are welcome. All tools and materials are available at the program. All you would need to bring is your enthusiasm, curiosity and creativity. Open classes are held weekly on Fridays, on an ongoing basis.

Guitar Lessons

Watson Academy, Ages 8 – adult

Guitar Lessons with experienced local musician Joseph K. Murphy. Scheduled to accommodate your needs, after school and weekends!

Pilates

Thursday Evenings starting September 3rd 5:30-6:30 pm in the Town Hall Auditorium \$10 per class or \$48 for six weeks

Improve your flexibility, balance, posture. abdominal strength and core control. Core strength and control is the key to healthy backs, balance and recovery, stamina and body symmetry. Pilates will boost the effectiveness of all your workouts and can be practiced for life.

Red Cross Classes at Watson Academy

November 14 - Adult/Child/Infant CPR 9:00 am -2:30 pm. \$60 per person November 21 - Adult/Child/Infant CPR and First Aid, 8:30 am – 5:30 pm, \$70 per person December 8 – Adult CPR 6 – 10 pm \$45 All classes are at Watson Academy. Register online at www.greatbayredcross.org.

Martial Arts Programs at EES

Both classes are offered at the multipurpose room at Epping Elementary School. Register at Watson Academy. Visit DerryATA.com for program details.

Karate Classes Grades K-8 Mondays and Thursdays, 3:15-4:00 \$65 per month Cardio Boxing - Adults Thursdays 4:00-4:45 \$10 per class

Pre School Activities

Arts and Crafts Tuesdays 9:30 am (one hour session) \$45 for each four-week session starting soon. Call for details.

Senior Citizen Field Trips

Thursday, November 19th Christa McAuliffe Planetarium in Concord, NH, \$12

More trips to come! Call 679-3301 for an update. Trips leave from Watson Academy. We use the Recreation Bus for transportation, Prices include admission and transportation. We will be stopping for lunch. Please bring extra money for lunch.

Families First of the Seacoast

In Epping: Family Morning Out. Thursdays, weekly (except Thanksgiving Day), 9:30 to 11 am, at Epping Rec. Center at Watson Academy, 17 Academy St. For children ages birth through 6 and their parents. The first half is family time, with play, song circle, creative activities, snack and story. In the second half, child care staff play with children while parents enjoy some quiet adult time and share parenting tips.

In Raymond: Parenting Classes, Wednesdays, 6:00–7:30 pm at Raymond Baptist Church Community Building, 145 Route 27.

-- Nov. 18: Have the Best Holiday Without Going Broke (presented by Karyn Blass, UNH Cooperative Extension)

-- Dec. 2 and 9: Stop the Holiday Madness: Create the Holidays Your Family Really Wants (includes a "Make It and Take It" family holiday craft activity

In Exeter: Living With Teens and Preteens. Third Wednesday of the month, 6:30 to 8 pm, at New Outlook Teen Center, 120 Front St.

-- Nov. 18: Don't Get Blindsided by Alcohol and Drugs! Facilitated by Jackie Valley of the Community Diversion Program

-- Dec. 16: Solve It! Stumped By Your Teen's Behavior? Come with questions, get answers. Facilitated by Joanna Wicklein, CFL.



School District Communication

This school year the District has two big projects – upgrading the website and offering more educational programming on ETV. Both of these projects will take significant work and the plan is to gradually add more and more as the school year progresses.

Our new website is up and running. Take a look at <u>www.sau14.org</u>. The calendar function has been improved to see all school and district events or just the events for your child's school. The navigation system has also been improved to make it easier to access information and provide more school and district information.

Also keep an eye on ETV for our holiday concerts.

The District is "going green" with electronic communication. Paper and printing costs are expensive and information sometimes doesn't make it home. Epping Elementary and Epping Middle School have "gone green" with school enewsletters and Epping High plans to also follow soon. To all our parents who have already helped with this initiative, thank you!



School Board Meeting Schedule School Board meetings are televised on ETV. Summaries of the meetings are also published in The Carriage Towne News and on the District website. Regular meetings are scheduled for:

November 5 and 19

December 3 and 17

It is also budget time and budget work sessions are scheduled in between regular meetings.

<u>Influenza</u>

The District has taken special steps to minimize the impact of the flu. The best rule is: if you are sick, stay home. Students and staff that become ill at school will be isolated and sent home. Please stay home until fever free without fever reducing medications. Health advisories and information can be viewed on the District website under Parents & Community.

Epping Elementary School (EES)

Submitted by Cheryl A. MacLeay

November 2 - PTO meeting at 7:00 pm in the EES Library

November 4 – 6 - The Two Fiddlers, Jacqueline and Dudley Laufman, will be at Epping Elementary working with the 2^{nd} and 3^{rd} grade students. They will be teaching the students barn dancing.

November 6 - Barn Dance with the Two Fiddles and grades 2 & 3 at EES from 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm in the multi-purpose room.

November 9 – 13 - Parent Conference Week

Veterans luncheons all week (See following Invitation)

November 11 - No School – Veterans' Day

November 18 - Grade 1 Field Trip to the Leddy Center to see "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory"

<u>November 25 - 27</u> - No School – Thanksgiving Recess

December 7 - PTO meeting at 7:00 pm in the EES Library

December 15 - Holiday Concert for Grades 2, 3 & 5 and Second Year Band at 7:00 pm in the Middle School Gym

December 16 - Holiday Concert for Grades 1 & 4 and Beginning Band at 7:00 pm in the Middle School Gym

<u>December 24 – January 1</u> - No School – Holiday Recess

An Invitation to Epping's Veterans from Epping Elementary School – Lunch with a Veteran Program Choose one day: Monday 11/9, Tuesday 11/10, Thursday 11/12 or Friday 11/13

Epping Elementary School would like to say "Thank you!" to you by inviting you to free lunch at our school during the week of November 9 to November 13. 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: 11:25 to 11:50 for grades 4 & 5 11:55 to 11:20 for grades 2 & 3

12:25 to 12:50 for grades Full Kindergarten & 1

Whether or not you have children, grandchildren or other relatives currently attending Epping Elementary School, if you are a veteran you are invited.

If you do plan to attend, please call the school at 679-8018 or send in a note with a student relative

telling us what lunch you plan to attend. Please note that school is closed on November 11.

Thank you for your service to our country. Mark Vallone, Principal

Epping Middle School (EMS)

Epping Middle School is off to a wonderful start. Sixth grade students are planting daffodils on the hillside entrance to the Middle School. The first year the school was built, every student 6th through 8th grade planted one or two bulbs. Subsequently, each new 6th grade student has continued the tradition each fall. The bulbs will multiply and beautify our school every year, and the students will know they've been a part of it.

Our seventh graders have already gone to Nature's Classroom. One of our sixth grade teams has gone to the Polar Caves in Plymouth, NH. Our entire school has completed the NECAP testing. The eight graders held our first activity night on October 28 - a Halloween Horrors night with an art show and food. Red Ribbon Week is upon us and we will be celebrating being drug free. Parent conferences will be happening on November 24 and 25 and before we know it Christmas vacation will be here. Mark your calendar for December 9th for our winter concert.

Below is a more detailed look at some of the happenings at EMS.

Nature's Classroom

The Epping Middle School went to Nature's Classroom during the week of October 13 for four days of an exciting educational experience at the Nature's classroom site in Freedom, NH. The children were joined by Ms. Weisberg, Mr. Mosca, Mrs. Vertetis and Mrs. Bozek, Mr. DeGruttola, Ms. Lins, Mr. Christman, Mrs. Healy, Mr. Repucci, Mrs. Smith and Mrs. LaPlante. There they studied the natural environment, participated in outdoor academic classes, and joined with their teachers and classmates in a learning growing community.

Natural science was the primary task of morning field walks at Nature's Classroom. During these walks the children were shown and asked to consider the interrelationships in the outdoor world. The field groups saw plants, animals and people coexisting in complex living systems.

Afternoon class periods at Nature's Classroom allowed the students to choose from a wide variety of special interest activities. One student might want to help build a bridge while someone else might participate in an edible foods hunt and others would pick the fast paced Adventure Team course. Whichever was chosen, the goal remained the same: to demonstrate the vital link between academic subjects and real life experiences. Each Nature's Classroom teacher strove to illustrate the importance of the effective use of language arts abilities, mathematical concepts, scientific methods, and social studies skills taught in the home school. Exciting class activities provided the students and their teachers with an increased motivation to return to their learning process and a refreshed attitude toward their academic life.

The group's sense of community was strengthened by experiences like: living in a cabin with teachers and peers, helping set tables for meals, taking turns serving food, and sharing responsibility for cleaning up. These experiences, along with the overall Nature's Classroom program, help the group to develop a greater respect and appreciation for one another as valuable members of the whole community.

Square dances and campfires are two of the most popular evening events at Nature's Classroom. Some students volunteered to perform songs or skits while many others discovered the fun and excitement of live entertainment. Occasionally kids asked their teachers to dance! Other evening activities were: night hikes, science fairs and environmental hearings.

At Nature's Classroom we saw how the sun provides warmth and light for things to grow in nature, and the students who came to Nature's Classroom began to see more clearly how their school and their teachers help guide them to develop as healthy, happy individuals.

We hope that the students and their teachers returned from Nature's Classroom with a deeper sense of responsibility for their community and a stronger commitment to living in harmony with their world.

The Art of Suspense - Art and Writing Show Held at EMS!

Over the first two months of school every member of Epping Middle School's 8th grade Language Arts classes worked with their LA teacher, Mr. Fersch and their Art teacher, Mrs. Booth on their first major project. It started off with working on short story writing skills and was greatly enhanced as Mrs. Booth devoted her artistic knowledge in helping the students chose a piece of artwork which they then used as the setting for the suspense story based on a character they had previously created. The result of this hard work was a four-panel interpretation of a famous piece of art work that went hand in hand with a short story written by the student. In addition, each student chose music to be the soundtrack of their story and several of these pieces were shared throughout the night, both live and pre-recorded. On the night of October 28, the multi-media art show, complete with art, writing, refreshments, costumes and raffles, was enjoyed by all.

Epping High School Poets Studio

The New Hampshire Poets Studio poets in Residence include Henry Braun, Beth Brown, Priscilla Carr, and Elizabeth Gordon McKim. Together with the support of Paul Silver, DDS, Steven Jones, M.D., Daphne Chevalier, Epping High School teacher, Pat Weisberg, Epping Middle School teacher, and Samantha Ramey and Heather Crocker, Epping High School students, the NH Poets Studio is developing a 2010 Poetry Scholarship, available to students at Epping High School.

Interested students must submit poetry electronically to dchevalier@sau14.org by February 1, 2010. The 2010 theme is "Change." Verse and free verse are acceptable. Prose poems are also In addition, a five hundred word encouraged. essay on what drives your passion to create poetry must be forwarded with the poetry. The winner will be announced March 15, 2010. The recipient of the scholarship will receive Studio Master Classes, academic year Mentor Program, gift certificates, and a public reading with the Studio Poets in Residence. The young poet will be supported by his Studio Mentor in applying for a nine day poetry scholarship at Robert Bly's 2010 Great Mother Conference in Maine.

The Conference on the Great Mother and New Father seeks new ways to support creative inspiration. Poets, artists, authors, musicians, storytellers, and artists from around the nation attend the conference as teachers and mentors.

A variety of workshops are provided each afternoon giving Conference participants the opportunity to get involved in writing, art, music, dance or movement, and storytelling. Participants are encouraged to try a workshop in an area of expression that isn't considered to be their strength. The conference mission includes tapping the full potential of all who attend. Go to http://greatmotherconference.com more for information on the conference.

Dr. Paul Silver will continue to provide refreshments and conference space at Lamprey Dental Center in Raymond, as the scholarship committee continues to meet throughout the academic year. If you are interested in volunteering for technical support, publicity, sponsorship, general operations, or attending the September planning meeting, contact priscillaecarr@yahoo.com.

Email Address Changed?

If your email address has changed, please notify us through our website at: <u>www.SpeakUpEpping.org</u>.

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 (January-February) of this newsletter will be available in early January, 2010. We will accept submissions through December 21, 2009 to be included in the next issue. Please send your content, including contact information, for consideration through our website at: www.SpeakUpEpping.org

Now Accepting Business Ads!

Would your business like to advertise in this newsletter? Business card-sized ads cost just \$25.00 per newsletter issue for in-town businesses and \$35.00 per issue for out-of-town businesses. If you prepay for one year in advance you pay only \$125, which means you get your ad in at least one issue for free. We expect to send out 5-6 issues per year. We currently email this newsletter to approximately 200 homes and we distribute over 250 paper copies around town. For more information or to place an ad in the next issue, visit our website at: www.SpeakUpEpping.org

Spotlight on Business

A Step Up Bookkeeping Services LLC

A Step Up Bookkeeping Services was founded by Debbie Moulton in 2005. After receiving a Bachelor of Science degree with highest honors from Worcester Polytechnic Institute in 1990, Debbie worked in the corporate world in various roles, including computer and network support, controller and transitional CFO, and database programming. She stayed home with her kids for a few years and then took the H&R Block tax course for "something to do". She had been preparing her own taxes for many years and enjoyed this detailed work. This turned into a part-time job during the tax season. While preparing income taxes her first year, Debbie saw a need for small business owners to have their records organized throughout the year. They were missing many deductions by not keeping accurate track of receipts and cash expenses. Debbie then became certified in QuickBooks and A Step Up Bookkeeping Services was born.

At first, A Step Up was run from Debbie's home in Epping, and gradually expanded to support small businesses in Epping, Kingston, East Kingston, Deerfield, Exeter, Stratham Ravmond. and surrounding towns. A Step Up then added payroll services, including withholding and paid time off calculations and preparation of quarterly forms. In November of 2008, A Step Up moved into an office location at The Granary Building, 57 Main Street in Epping, across from The Holy Grail. The larger office space now has a dedicated conference and training room, a separate office for Debbie and an office for A Step Up's two employees – Tina Dixey and Darla Cote.

Debbie Moulton is now an Advanced Certified QuickBooks ProAdvisor[™], volunteers as the Treasurer of the Friends of Harvey-Mitchell Library and is a member of the Epping Lions. Debbie is a Board Member of the Greater Raymond Area Chamber of Commerce, and is a member of the Exeter Area Chamber of Commerce, Association of Professional Bookkeepers (AIPB), BNI, Women's Business Center and several other networking groups.

The mission of A Step Up Bookkeeping Services is to empower small businesses to succeed by relieving them of the details of financial recordkeeping, reporting and analysis. For more information, call us at 679-2022 or visit our web site at <u>www.StepUpBooks.com</u>. We offer a free initial consultation and a 100% Satisfaction Guarantee.

Thanks for reading! - The Communications Group

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| Date | Event |
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| November 2 | EES PTO meeting 7:00 pm |
| November 3 | New Mystery Book Group at the Library 7 pm |
| November 3 | Rockingham Senior Activity "Understanding Depression in Older Adults" 10 am to noon |
| November 4 | Garden Club meeting at the Library 6:30 pm |
| November 4-6 | The Two Fiddlers at EES with Grades 2 & 3 |
| November 5 | Epping School Board meeting 7:00 pm in Epping Town Hall |
| November 5 | Epping Community Church Food Pantry 9–11 am Coats of Caring 9-10 am |
| November 6 | Barn Dance at EES with the Two Fiddlers and Grades 2 & 3 6:30 to 8:30 pm |
| November 6 | Ice Cream Smorgasbord at Epping Community Church with Friday night Pizza |
| November 7 | Fire Explorers Blood Drive 10:00 am to 2: pm at Safety Complex |
| November 7 | Epping Community Church Food Pantry 9–11 am Coats of Caring 9-10 am |
| November 7 | Rec Dept Manchester Monarchs vs Hershey Bears Hockey Game |
| November 8 | American Legion Post 51 Sunday breakfast 9:00-11:30 am |
| November 8 | Last day to order Christmas Wreaths at Epping Community Church |
| November 9 | Friends of the Library 7:00 pm Silent Auction begins and goes until December 5 |
| November 9 | Cinema 151 Classic movie series 1:00 pm in the Library |
| November 9-13 | Lunch With a Veteran Program at EES |
| November 10 | Eclectic Book Group at the Library 7 pm |
| November 10 | Rockingham Senior Activity "Wellness and Healthy Living" 10 am to noon |
| November 11 | NO SCHOOL VETERANS DAY |
| November 12 | Epping Community Church Food Pantry 9–11 am Coats of Caring 9-10 am |
| November 12 | American Legion Children's Christmas Party 1 – 3 pm |
| November 12 | New Book Group discussing The Raj Quartet by Paul Scott |
| November 13 | Epping Bible Baptist Church Food Pantry 1:00 – 2:30 pm |
| November 13 | Civil War Roundtable of NH meeting at 7:15 pm in Town Hall |
| November 13 | Pajama Night at the Library 6:30 to 7:45 for kids 2 to 8 "If You Give a Pig a Party" |
| November 13 | Silpada Designs Fund Raiser at Epping Community Church 11 am to 2 pm |
| November 14 | Scouting for Food – Pick up after 9:00 am |
| November 14 | Fire Explorers Food Drive at Wal-Mart |
| November 14 | Epping Community Church Food Pantry 9–11 am Coats of Caring 9-10 am |
| November 14 | St. Joseph's Christmas Fair 8:00 am to 4:00 pm |
| November 14 | American Legion trip to Mohegan Sun 7:am to 8:00 pm |
| November 14 | Red Cross Class in Adult/Child/Infant CPR Watson Academy 9 am to 2:30 pm |
| November 15 | Last day "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory" playing October 30 to November 15 |
| November 16 | Library Board of Trustees Meeting 7:15 pm |
| November 18 | Dusty Ol' Mystery Book Group at the Library 7 pm |
| November 18 | Grade 1 Field trip to the Leddy Center |
| November 19 | Epping School Board meeting 7:00 pm in Epping Town Hall |
| November 19 | Senior Citizen Field Trip to Christa McAuliffe Planetarium |
| November 19 | American Legion Adult Christmas Party 8 pm to midnight |
| November 19 | Epping Community Church Food Pantry 9–11 am Coats of Caring 9-10 am. |
| November 20 | Epping Bible Baptist Church Food Pantry 1:00 – 2:30 pm |

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| November 20 | T.E.M.P.O. Pie Sale– Pies delivered |
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| November 21 | Red Cross Class Adult/Child/Infant CPR and First Aid Watson Academy 8:30 am - 5:30 pm |
| November 21 | Epping Community Church Dinner 5 to 7 pm Ham dinner |
| November 21 | Epping Community Church Food Pantry 9–11 am Coats of Caring 9-10 am |
| November 23 | Cinema 151 Classic movie series 1:00 pm in the Library |
| November 24 | Epping Lions Club meeting 6:30 pm in EHS Media Center |
| November 24 | Epping Middle School Parent Conferences late afternoon and early evening |
| November 25 | Epping Middle School Parent Conferences late afternoon and early evening |
| November 25, | NO SCHOOL THANKSGIVING RECESS |
| 26, 27 | |
| November 28 | Epping Community Church Food Pantry 9–11 am Coats of Caring 9-10 am |

Epping Calendar of Events for December 2009

| Date | Event |
|---------------|---|
| December 1 | New Mystery Book Group at the Library 7 pm |
| December 3 | Epping School Board meeting 7:00 pm in Epping Town Hall |
| December 3 | Epping Community Church Food Pantry 9–11 am Coats of Caring 9-10 am |
| December 4-13 | "A Christmas Carol" at the Leddy Center |
| December 4, 5 | Pick up wreaths at Epping Community Church |
| December 5 | Epping Community Church Food Pantry 9–11 am Coats of Caring 9-10 am |
| December 5 | Annual Children's Holiday Tea Party at the Library 11 am to 1 pm |
| December 5 | Friends of the Library Silent Auction ends |
| December 7 | EES PTO meeting 7:00 pm |
| December 8 | Red Cross Class Adult CPR Watson Academy 6 to 10 pm |
| December 8 | Eclectic Book Group at the Library 7 pm |
| December 9 | EMS Winter Concert |
| December 10 | New Book Group discussing The Raj Quartet by Paul Scott |
| December 10 | Epping Community Church Food Pantry 9–11 am Coats of Caring 9-10 am |
| December 11 | Epping Bible Baptist Church Food Pantry 1:00 – 2:30 pm |
| December 11 | Pajama Night at the Library 6:30 to 7:45 for kids 2 to 8 "Magic of Christmas" |
| December 12 | American Legion Children's Christmas Party 1-3 pm |
| December 12 | Epping Community Church Food Pantry 9–11 am Coats of Caring 9-10 am |
| December 12 | Christmas Bakery Fair and Luncheon at Epping Community Church 10 am to 2 pm |
| December 13 | American Legion Post 51 Sunday breakfast 9:00-11:30 am |
| December 14 | Cinema 151 Classic movie series 1:00 pm in the Library |
| December 14 | Friends of the Library 7:00 pm |
| December 15 | EES Holiday Concert Grades 2, 3 & 5 and 2 nd year Band 7 pm in the EMS gym |
| December 16 | EES Holiday Concert Grades 1 & 4 and Beginning Band 7 pm in the EMS gym |
| December 16 | Dusty Ol' Mystery Book Group at the Library 7 pm |
| December 17 | Epping School Board meeting 7:00 pm in Epping Town Hall |
| December 17 | Epping Community Church Food Pantry 9–11 am Coats of Caring 9-10 am |
| December 18 | Epping Bible Baptist Church Food Pantry 1:00 – 2:30 pm |
| December 19 | Epping Community Church Special Christmas Dinner 5 to 7 pm |
| December 19 | American Legion Adult Christmas Party and potluck 8:00 pm to midnight |
| December 19 | Epping Community Church Food Pantry 9–11 am Coats of Caring 9-10 am |
| December 21 | Deadline date to submit material for the January-February issue of the Newsletter |
| December 21 | Library Board of Trustees Meeting 7:15 pm |
| December 22 | Epping Lions Club Meeting 6:30 pm |
| December 24 | Epping Community Church Food Pantry 9–11 am Coats of Caring 9-10 am |
| December 24 | NO SCHOOL UNTIL JANUARY 4 HOLIDAY RECESS |
| December 26 | Epping Community Church Food Pantry 9–11 am Coats of Caring 9-10 am |
| December 28 | Cinema 151 Classic movie series 1:00 p.m. in the Library |
| December 31 | Epping Community Church Food Pantry 9–11 am Coats of Caring 9-10 am |
| January 4 | BACK TO SCHOOL |

If you would like your next event to appear on the Calendar of Events, please send an email to speakupepping@gmail.com by **December 21, 2009**. Please include the date, event name, location and time.