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FRYEBURG TOWN MANAGER'S REPORT by Sharon Jackson

I would like to thank everyone who voted and attended the annual town meeting. We still have town reports at the town office or you can view the report on the town web page. If you have any questions concerning any of the auditing reports, please call me. We want to make sure you are receiving the accurate information, which is contrary to some of the information being passed along.

We have several committees with vacant seats that need to be filled. If you are interested in becoming a member on one of the committees, you can come into the office and fill out an application or download the application from the town web site. The application can be found in the Employment Opportunities section on the left hand directory on the main page.

The voters approved the remainder of the money needed to start the reconstruction of Maple Street, Maple Street extension, Hillside and Dana Streets. If you live on any of these streets and have questions, please call me. Tentatively, the project is scheduled to begin the first of July with a completion date the end of August. The voters also approved money to begin some of the work needed on Union Hill Road and River Road. No dates scheduled for this project yet.

The Graustein Park tennis courts will be resurfaced the first week in August. We don't have the date yet, which of course will be dependent on rain, but we will post notices of the dates and keep you informed so you can make arrangements to use other courts during the work scheduled time.

New transfer station vehicle stickers will be available to purchase at the Town Office August 1st. The stickers will be blue for the period September 1, 2014 through August 31, 2015. The cost of the sticker is \$20 and all vehicles must have the sticker on their windshield in order to use the transfer station.

We will be mailing 30-Day Notice of Liens on July 1st. Payment on the 2014 taxes, and prior years owed, will need to be paid before August 5th to avoid the lien being filed at the Registry of Deeds. If you have any questions about your balance owed, please call the office for information.

I would like to thank the West Oxford Agricultural Society for their generous donation of \$100,000, paid in lieu of taxes for their tax exempted property. This donation saves each taxpayer \$.25 on the mil rate.

The Town Offices will be closed Friday July 4th for the holiday.

Kovalenko: Leadership Graduate



Pictured left to right - Peter Malia, Jr., Viktoriya Kovalenko, Bonnie Gould, David Hastings, III, of Hastings Malia P.A.

Attorney Viktoriya A. Kovalenko of Hastings Malia P.A. is among the 12 graduates of the 2014 Leadership Program sponsored by the Mount Washington Valley Chamber.

WILD BLUEBERRY FESTIVAL

The popular Annual Wild Blueberry Festival will be held on Saturday, July 26 at the Masonic Hall on Portland Street, Fryeburg. This year's festival will feature a chicken barbecue, bake sale and games for kids of all ages. The games and bake sale will start at 3:30 and the chicken BBQ will run from 4:30 - 7:00PM. The menu includes BBQ chicken, corn on the cob, coleslaw, potato salad, blueberry muffins, corn bread, homemade blueberry pie and more.

FMI: Gail Nixon at 697-3520.
The Annual Wild Blueberry Festival is sponsored by the First Congregational Church of Fryeburg, UCC.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT from FRYEBURG WATER DISTRICT

Over the past three or four years it has become evident that certain individuals who attend the annual Fryeburg Water District's June meetings have a somewhat different interpretation of the District's Charter and By-Laws than the trustees. For the past nine years trustees have followed the intent of the customers of the Fryeburg Water Company who created the district - to have in place an organization that could purchase the Fryeburg Water Company when and if it ever came up for sale. The trustees and stockholders of the Fryeburg Water Company decided several years ago not to sell anytime in the future.

Our job was to represent what was in the best interests of those we represented, we were successful in having the town create a wellhead protection zone over the aquifer, and an independent monitoring system to insure the continued sustainability of our water source. We, the trustees, have agreed that change may be due and will plan for this as follows.

On November 4th, in conjunction with the town and state elections, the District will hold a special election for all five trustees positions: two for the remaining terms of John Weston and Dick Krasker expiring in June 2015, one for the remaining term of Jeanette Almy expiring in June of 2016, and two for the remaining term of James Oliver and the vacant position expiring in June of 2017.

Important information -

1. Donations of \$800 must be received in check form made out to the Fryeburg Water District, P.O.Box 184, Fryeburg by August 1st, 2014 to fund the election costs. If funds are not received all operations of the Fryeburg Water District, including elections will be suspended.
2. If sufficient funds are received nominations papers for each of the three terms will be available at the town office on August 15th.
3. Nominations papers will be due by September 15th.
4. Absentee ballots will be available at the town office by October 1st, and election will be held November 4th at the Legion Hall between the hours of 8AM - 8PM.

Once votes have been counted and certified by the current District clerk, resignation letters from each of the current trustees will be given to the District registrar of voters, along with all District records, checkbook, and computer. It will be up to the new trustees to meet, elect officers, make needed changes at the Norway Savings Bank, and decide the way forward.

All those who have served as trustees of the Fryeburg Water District over the years would like to express many thanks to the voters for their trust and confidence. It was an honor to service and we wish the new trustees well in the future.

Dick Krasker - Chairman, John Weston, James Oliver, Jeanette Almy
Trustees, Fryeburg Water District

It's mosquito season and mosquitoes can carry disease such as West Nile Virus. Symptoms generally occur 5-15 days following the bite of an infected mosquito. But don't panic! Most mosquitos are not infected with the West Nile-like virus. Illnesses related to mosquito bites are rare and patients with mild symptoms are likely to recover completely, however, you should see a doctor immediately if you develop such symptoms as high fever, confusion, muscle weakness, severe headache, or sensitivity to light.

To minimize mosquito infestation remove standing water from any container in which water accumulates and where mosquitos can breed and keep gutters and drainage areas clean. Citronella oils and candles can help repel mosquitoes. Stay indoors when mosquitoes are more likely to be biting but when outdoors, wear clothing that covers the skin, such as long sleeve shirts, pants, and socks. Apply an appropriate insect repellent, there are many different types available from natural organic to chemical compounds.



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FRYEBURG POLICE REPORT by Acting Chief Joshua Potvin



Now that summertime has finally arrived in Fryeburg we are asking motorists to be extra cautious of bicyclists and pedestrian traffic. Parents please remind your children to use crosswalks whenever possible and obey cycling safety rules when riding. Fryeburg Police Officers are geared up and prepared for a busy summer and we will do our best to keep our residents, visitors, and those passing through our town safe.

I am pleased to announce that Fiddlehead Campground is supporting my goal of progressively advancing the police department with modern training, tools and technology by funding a 5 year Taser program. Tasers are a valuable tool that modern police officers have at their disposal and this will provide your Fryeburg police officers with an extra tool for their safety and the safety of the citizens in which they protect.

Through another generous donation by Saco Valley Canoe, our Humvee is now equipped to tow our police boats. We are appreciative of the financial support provided by our local businesses.

We have hired some new reserve police officers to assist with filling the patrol and river schedule vacancies.

- Officer Cody Belyea - 21 y/o Southern NH University criminal justice graduate.
- Officer Joshua Grzyb - 26 y/o University of NE graduate with experience as a police officer in Southern Maine.
- Officer Andrew Doucette - 22 y/o criminal justice graduate from CMCC
- Timothy Libby - 45 y/o graduate of the Maine Criminal Justice pre-service academy and prior police officer experience.

AUTO facts you OUGHTA know by Fryeburg Motors

In the automotive world there are owners and then there are enthusiasts. To many, their vehicle helps define them. Some enthusiasts can park outside a store and guess which vehicle a patron might be walking towards just by their persona. None of this is a judgment, in fact, it's the way manufacturers define their own models and design a new vehicle for a specific demographic; it's marketing.

Many facets enter into the car buying equation. Whether new or used, a vehicle is a significant investment and thought should be given to the type of vehicle that most fits your wants and needs. In these days of global economics and mergers, vehicles can no longer be defined by their origin or even their parent companies pedigree. The old adage "buy American" might mean "buy a Toyota" more than "buy a Chevy" as where a vehicle is built has little to do with where it's parent company resides. None of this diminishes or defines any of the brands but it certainly shatters some old ideas and shows that not all is as was once thought.

The global economy rears it's head in the repair arena too. People will say "a Roadhugger GT is expensive to fix". I reply that any car can be expensive to fix." We've serviced cars that most would think are inexpensive and found them to be more expensive than their European counterparts, commonly believed to be "expensive cars to fix". Furthermore some seemingly expensive cars cost less to service than those believed to be inexpensive. Maybe not in all cases but enough to throw that notion out the window.

So when it's time to buy, try out that fancy sedan, sporty car, or pickup truck. Cast your preconceived notions aside. Realize that life is better lived with a smile and enjoy the ride!

FRYEBURG RESCUE by Eric Meltzer

The members of Fryeburg Rescue have been busy completing our annual requirements necessary to maintain our professional licensing status. Even as volunteers we are required complete specific trainings and certifications. We are your neighbors and friends and we might not always respond wearing a uniform but we do fulfill the same stringent qualifications required of career EMS personnel. We continually train, study, and spend our own time attending classes so that we can provide the best possible care under any circumstances and we appreciate your support.

A new ambulance is on order and you will be seeing it soon. After much research and deliberation amongst our staff, Board of Directors and the recommendation of our truck committee, we have purchased a new ambulance to replace our oldest unit. The new truck is similar in style to our current units and there will be no mistaking that it's a part of the Fryeburg Rescue family. Although we strictly maintain all our equipment to ensure readiness, this most recent purchase is part of our ongoing program to incorporate the latest technology and have the most reliable equipment to serve our community.

Steve Goldsmith, Bill Kane, and Phil Remington recently went to Brownfield to teach and certify members and guests of the Brownfield Recreation Dept in CPR, First Aid, and AED use. Thanks Steve, Bill, and Phil for reaching out to the community and sharing your skills! Contact Fryeburg Rescue if you would like information on setting up CPR training for your group or business.

Make plans now to join us on Thursday, August 14th from 5:00 pm - 7:30 pm at the Fryeburg Fair Grounds in the Craft Barn for a pig roast. This is a community event and all are invited to attend. *\$8 for adults, \$4 for children under 12.

All proceeds and donations will be used towards the purchase new equipment and to help defray the cost of our new ambulance. Thank you!

If you would like to know more about the Fryeburg Rescue and how you can help, donate, or volunteer please contact us at 207-935-3024. The rewards are great and the appreciation is massive!

Fryeburg Library by Librarian, Donnette Barnes

The Library this month would like to remind all the kids ages 5-12 about our summer reading program. The theme is "Fizz, Boom, Read" all about science and nature this year. You will need a Fryeburg Public Library card (if you do not have a card, stop by the library to see how to get one), enter your name on our sign-up sheet, receive a reading packet (which includes a free kid's ticket to a Seadog's baseball game), and read and record at least ten books over your summer vacation. Then join us on Wednesday, August 20th at 10:30 am for an awards party where you will receive a certificate and a free book. Light refreshments will be served.

The other item I would like to mention this month is that Valerie Cole from SeniorsPlus is here at the library once a month to meet with anyone who questions about what is available to help support independent living and healthy aging for seniors. When you have questions about aging or disabilities, SeniorsPlus is here to help. She will be at the Fryeburg Library on Monday, July 28th from 1-4 pm. It is important that you call SeniorsPlus to schedule an appointment. Their telephone number is 800-427-1241.

Our hours are the same during the summer, which are: Mon-Wed 9am-4pm, Thurs 9am-1pm; 1:30pm-4 pm, closed Fridays, Sat 9am-12:00pm. We hope to see you at the library soon. Betsy and I are wishing you a safe and happy Independence Day.

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The last day of session this year was different from others I have experienced due to the prevalence of vetoes, and like other years there was one bill that was held until the end.

The decision on LD (Legislative Document) 1719, "An act to improve education about and awareness of Maine's health laws and resources", was delayed until the final hours. This was a bill about spending money, so the public hearing was held in the Appropriations Committee, where all spending bill end up. The fiscal detail provided read; "The bill provides one-time 2014-2015 Fund for a Healthy Maine allocations totaling \$4,978,000 for smoking prevention and health promotion programs", but what would the bill do?

The first line of spending was for education and outreach on marijuana use and its impact on youth, \$150,000. DHHS is all ready doing this. \$60K for one-time money to improve school tobacco and substance abuse policies; more money for work being done. \$475 thousand of one-time money for evidence based outreach campaigns for tobacco prevention; think anti-smoking posters. Then there is an additional \$486,000 for more tobacco prevention. The department has numerous smoking prevention programs.

The bill contained \$410,000 for outreach campaigns on obesity and the impact of food and beverage choices in schools. \$126K for physical activity and nutrition education outreach for child care providers. \$90,000 for school-based health centers in Portland. One half million dollars to collect data on oral health treatment. Then there is \$246,000 to prevent oral disease and tobacco use in young families, more posters.

The list continues until we spend \$4,978,000 on programs all ready being funded by the Department of Health and Human Services. The Governor vetoed LD 1719 and the veto was sustained. LD 1719 was now dead and this action left \$5 million available for other purposes. I was one of those who were advocating for this money to help fund nursing homes because Maine has a growing problem with nursing home funding.

Maine funds its nursing homes by way of the reimbursement rate that is paid by the State for Medicaid patients, and it has been a number of years since the rate has been increased. Medicaid is the primary way Maine's nursing homes are funded and also there are Medicare and private pay woven into the mix. Remember, nursing homes are a business and market forces and profit and loss bear down on them like any other business.

A friend of mine called to complain about the nursing home her husband was in. Quality of care and short staffing were the major points. These issues can be traced back to available funding. Not enough money coming in to reward staff and promote longevity and therefore a frequent turnover. Nursing homes actually lose money daily on Medicaid patients.

With the Governor's veto, the \$5 million was available and many of us wanted to use it for nursing care. This \$5 million would have brought in and addition almost \$8 million in federal funds. A bill was brought to the Appropriations Committee and then to the floor and ultimately killed. Nursing homes were out almost \$13 million.

And this is the way things go on the last day; "we can't have and so you will not have it either", and all to the detriment of nursing homes.

District 70 State Representative, Helen Rankin



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IMPORTANCE OF EDUCATION

I began this month by announcing I am running for State Representative of District 70 which now includes: Brownfield, Fryeburg, Hiram, Lovell and Porter. I will miss my constituents in Parsonsfield, but I look forward to meeting new friends in Lovell.

Recently, Senator Hamper and I had the honor of presenting the Secretary of State's 8th grade Citizenship Award to two outstanding students. The recipients were, Elise Richardson at Molly Ockett Middle School in Fryeburg and Camden Bibro at Sacopee Valley Middle School in Hiram. This is a very prestigious award and richly deserved by two outstanding students. Congratulations to both of you.

I was delighted and impressed to see a large audience present at both schools to honor, not only the graduating students, but their teachers as well. It is so important to recognize the partnership of students, their teachers and their parents. It actually does, "take a village". Many awards were presented to students which attests to the fact that everyone is doing their part and "teamwork does work".

Unfortunately, there are people who are doing their best to denigrate Public Schools. Shame on them! Public Schools exist to assure every child has an equal opportunity for an education.

All of us are experiencing dramatic changes in technology in our everyday lives. Therefore it is only common sense that our children must be educated to understand future challenges. This applies to almost every available occupation. It takes time to adjust to new ideas. I certainly didn't learn to use a computer overnight. The fact is youngsters often adapt to new ideas faster and sooner than adults, so don't be afraid they won't make it because they have proved they will!

I am now getting excited to begin campaigning. I look forward to seeing old friends and meeting new friends. Have a great summer. Take time to stop and smell the roses! Hoping to see you along the way.

Dippity Dog Tips For Your Dog by Kelly Willard

Click clack what's that sound? Well that's the sound of long toe nails running down the hall. I'm betting that over the long cold winter it was difficult to get out and walk your dog, so the nails have gotten a little out of control. Have no fear dippity dog is here! Call me for an appointment and I will get those nails down as far as we can.

Few fun facts about your dog's nails:

When the nail grows so does the quick (vein in the nail) so if you're furry friend's nails are long chances are the quick is too. You need to get these nails cut back as far as possible and as close to the quick as possible which will retract the quick a bit as well. You should keep your dogs nails neat and trimmed in order to keep them healthy. You should be very careful not to cut them back too short as this can be very painful and messy for the dog. It will stress them out and make it difficult to groom their nails in the future. How often should you trim your dogs nails? Every dog is different because of the way they walk, what they eat and their activity level. My rule of thumb is - when the tip of their nail looks like a hook give me a call at 256-8108.

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