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Our Annual Association Meeting



November 10th 7PM at the Windham Middle School, 112A Lowell Road.



Message from the President

The Board has committed to replacing the complete roof of ten buildings this month. The buildings that will be re-roofed are: 21/23 Hadleigh, 46/48 Hadleigh, 26/28 Hadleigh, 34/36 Hadleigh, 3/5 Blackburn, 10/12 Hadleigh, 3/5 Flat Rock, 54/56 Hadleigh, 17/19 Hadleigh and 25/27 Hadleigh. Those could change and/or more buildings could be added as the work progresses depending on circumstances.

The bulkheads are being painted this week. Thank you to Tom and Diann for cleaning our lamp post lights and replacing burned light bulbs – again. Thank you to Ron for painting our fire hydrant. Our storm drain location arrows can do with a redo. Is anyone interested in repainting the arrows that help us locate storm drains during the winter months? We are always grateful to volunteers. They contribute to community spirit, fill a sense of obligation and help us to keep our costs down.

A copy of our Master Insurance Policy letter is available on our website at:
<http://www.hadleighwoods.com/insurance.htm>

Please consider becoming a candidate for election to our Board of Directors.

Free Laptop – We have a surplus laptop available. It is a Toshiba Satellite with Celeron M Processor 1.6Ghz, 1GB RAM, wireless, Ethernet, 2-USB ports and DVD player. If no one from the community wants it, we will donate it to some charity or foundation. If any of you know of a good organization to donate it to let us know.

Richard



Note from our Management Company

Dear Homeowners,

The roofing project will begin in October. The project was quoted by three contractors ranging from small, medium and large size companies in order to get a well balanced approach to pricing and service. At the Board of Director's meeting, a roofer with the lowest bid was selected. However, he had completed work at the property in the past with satisfaction. He will work with the Architect to finalize his specifications and scheduling. At this time, we anticipate the job to start in the 2nd or 3rd week of October. This will be plenty of time to complete the project before the colder weather sets in. The Board also had quotes to review regarding plowing and landscaping. It was determined that the cost savings would benefit the association to remain with the current contractor with the addition of strict timing of tasks and repairs necessary for areas that they damage. The association continues to make repairs and improvements where necessary. The bulkhead doors will be painted in October as we prepare for the winter months. Your calls are appreciated and we are happy to help service your units as needed.

Sincerely,
Ken Foley



The NH Department of Environmental Services is urging municipalities to implement water-use restrictions. Drought conditions have become significantly worse, with over half the state in drought and extreme drought moving from the seacoast farther into southern New Hampshire. Low stream flows and low groundwater

levels are occurring across the state. Water efficiency is a crucial component to ensuring enough clean water for today and for the future. Water is a finite resource, meaning we cannot make more water to meet the increased competing demands of a growing population and economy. We also do not have full control over water quality or quantity due to the geologic makeup of our state, climate change, lingering pollution issues left by past generations, and new emerging contaminants of concern.

Beginning Wednesday, October 12th the Town of Windham will implement a mandatory ban on outdoor lawn watering. This will be a Town-wide restriction that applies to all residential private well owners.



LP tanks belong outside – never store your grill’s tank in a garage or storage shed. A small gas leak in an enclosed space can cause a huge explosion. If you’re storing your grill outside during the winter, keep the tank connected (but shutoff) and put a protective cover over the entire grill. If you’re storing the grill indoors, disconnect the tank and store it outside in an upright position away from dryer and furnace vents.



Protect the A/C compressor...or risk damage from a falling icicle – there’s no reason to wrap your entire air conditioner for the winter, and many manufacturers advise against it because it can invite rodents and cause condensation, which can lead to early corrosion. But it’s not a bad idea to set a piece of plywood on top of the unit to protect it from falling icicles.



Scarecrows



There is one town in New Hampshire where pretty much everyone gets into the Halloween spirit every October. If you happen to be in the small town of Chester and you run into a scarecrow, don't be alarmed, there are hundreds of them scattered around. The town has been going scarecrow crazy for 6 years, making over 100 per year. That means there are more than 600 scarecrows now. In reality it is a fundraising project for the Chester historical society. As you drive through town you can see a scene from the Wizard of Oz, James and the Giant Pumpkin, Humpty Dumpty, a church choir and even a hot air balloon. The scarecrows will be on display all around Chester through Oct. 31.



Shred Day October 29th 10am to 2pm

The Windham Police Department is once again hosting a Shred Day. This event is free to Windham residents. Residents can observe their private documents being shredded on site. No limit as to the amount. Help will be on hand to assist unloading vehicles.



Did You Know?

Did you know that you can have basic technology questions answered at the library by helpful teenage volunteers? The Open Help Desk program is run twice a month during the school year. It's a great volunteer opportunity for the teens, who apply for the position as Teen Tech Mentors, and commit to one 2-hour session per month. Teens have helped library users learn to use email, set up a new laptop, and everything in between. Don't know how to download an eBook? No problem. Can't attach that photo to a Craigslist post? Also, no problem. Want to see what your grandchildren posted on Facebook? Our teens can help with that too. In return for helping library users with technology issues, teens reap the benefits of learning to communicate across generations, feeling valued for the skills they might have taken for granted and earning service hours toward high school graduation. The Open Help Desk sessions are held the first Wednesday of the month 3-5pm and every third Saturday of the month, from 1-3pm.



Salem Rescue League



You are invited to the Salem Rescue League's 8th Annual Amber Moonlit Night! This is our biggest event of the year and includes dinner, a comedy show, and auctions. This year we have the hilarious comedians Jimmy Dunn and Stephen Bjork, with the well-known Mike Morin as our host for the evening. There will be a live and silent auction with many exciting items to bid on. All proceeds will help us care for and adopt the 800 animals we serve a year.

The event will be held on November 12, 2016 at the Castleton Banquet Center, in Windham. Tickets are \$50 each and can be purchased on our website. Please contact Kristie Nardini at knardini@sarlnh.org with any questions.



Sapphire Award Winner – Gratia

The sapphire represents loyalty. No one can argue that when it comes to helping out Salem Animal Rescue League's creatures, Gratia is the role model for loyalty. Gratia began volunteering her time at SARL in 2014 as a way of healing after the loss of her husband. Her few days a week working with the shelter cats quickly turned to five to six. Besides helping to maintain a healthy environment, what Gratia offers most is her love and tenderness for these homeless animals. She spends time talking quietly with them when they are frightened, playing with them when they are bored, never giving up on the ones that are acting out and making them feel special. Gratia volunteers in every aspect of the shelter, helping with fundraisers, as well. Her involvement with the collection box program that manages canisters at local business has raised almost \$10,000 in a year. She shares her generosity with the staff by bringing iced coffee or sandwiches and helping any way she can. Her generosity and selflessness is contagious and a role model to all that know her.



The Hidden Jewel Awards is a program developed by the Greater Salem Chamber of Commerce in conjunction with Salem Co-operative Bank, to honor the area's most priceless women – truly "precious gems". Women have a long history of balancing family, career, community and service.

These awards are intended to recognize & celebrate the accomplishments of women who have excelled in their chosen field, defined their role through their initiative and dedication, and established a record of leadership and involvement.



Like grandfather, like grandson

BY BILL BURT – The Eagle Tribune 9/8/016



Zachary, of Methuen, arrived to pick up his third "I Beat Burt" T-shirt in three years yesterday.

The unassuming 12-year-old said there was a person to blame for success ... his grandfather, Ed of Windham, N.H., who has won the contest twice.

"We're very close," said Zachary, a 7th grader at the Comprehensive Grammar School in Methuen. "He would always ask me to play because he knew I loved football. Then it started going online, making it easy (to enter), so I began playing."

The grandfather and grandson combo now make it a weekly venture together, oftentimes comparing games.

"We both play in another contest on Yahoo Picker," said Zachary. "I love it. We both love it."

A life-long Patriots fan, Zachary said he and his dad, Russell, watch the NFL every Sunday, especially Pats' games. He also has a second favorite team, the N.Y. Giants, which comes from the fact his grandfather started following them before the Patriots even existed.

"I root for the Giants, too," said Zachary, who has selected the Giants all three weeks. In fact, he picked against the Patriots in Week 1 against Arizona.

That probably won't happen again.

He has a secret to winning that seems to work from time to time.

"I like picking a few underdogs," said Zachary.

"I feel like I can take some risks in this contest."

His mom, Kristen, said the fact that he is an only child earns him a lot of time with grandparents.

"Zachary likes to spend a lot of time over his grandparents," said his mom. "They apparently feed him a lot better than I do. I think the he likes the football part with my dad, too."



Invisible Man

Not long ago, my parents moved into a senior housing complex. My dad's first project at his new residence was to install a wireless doorbell. After installing it, he heard the bell ring and went to see who was at the door. Nobody! The next day, he heard the bell and the same thing happened. As he was getting to know his neighbors downstairs, he told them that somebody had been ringing their bell and then disappearing. His neighbor said the same thing had happened to him. Then my dad noticed his neighbor's doorbell. It was just like his. It dawned on him that the identical bells sold at the same hardware store were on the same factory-set frequency. Sure enough, after they changed frequencies, the phantom guests quit ringing.



Handyman



ONGOING

Breakfast on Friday at 8:30 AM. An informal breakfast, open to all residents and guests of Hadleigh Woods, is held every Friday at 8:30 AM at Sammy J's Breakfast Café in Salem.

Bowling on Wednesday at 3:00 PM. The H-W "Open-To-All" bowling party is held every Wednesday afternoon at 3:00 PM at Park Place Lanes. We bowl for fun & exercise never following the rules of the game. After our fun bowling, some of us go out for a meal.

Breakfast on Sunday at 8:30 AM. A number of the Hadleigh Woods Community residents are also going to breakfast at the Southside Diner in Derry on Sundays.



Brady is back!