

SEE Notices Below!

- ***VOTING DAY – Second Session TUESDAY, 3/12 11am-7pm.***
- ***Ruth Joyce Scholarship Fundraiser at Polling Place 3/12 11am-7pm***
- ***Town Report Dedication – Linda Morgan***
- ***Conservation Commission Warrant Article #19 explanation***
- ***Roads posted with Weight limit of 10 TONS***
- ***Public Banking Institute Presentation – Saturday, 3/16 11:45am***
- ***New Hampton Historical Society Program 3/21 6:30pm***
- ***NEWS – Subway relocates to Exit 23 Plaza & LRGH receives approval***

WELCOME TO THE “NEW HAMPTON CONNECTION”

E-mail notices will be sent from this office with dates, locations and times of Town Meetings, special meetings, special events, and other important town events or information. We hope you will find these notices helpful. These e-mails will not provide notice of regular scheduled meetings, deadlines, holiday hours, general information, etc. For such scheduled information, please check the town web site www.new-hampton.nh.us or call the Town Office at 744-3559. All public meeting notices are posted at the Town Office and Public Works Department. All town newspaper notices are placed in the Laconia Daily Sun.

Please talk with other New Hampton residents who may not have been contacted to see if they are interested in receiving these e-mails. I also would encourage you to get the “word out” about important information to those who may not have e-mail.

If at some future time you change your e-mail address or you wish to be removed from the list please send an e-mail to blucas@new-hampton.nh.us.

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March 8, 2013

**TOWN OF NEW HAMPTON
VOTING DAY
March 12, 2013, 11am to 7pm**

SECOND SESSION

The Second Session of the 2013 Town Meeting, to vote by official ballot on the election of town officers and the warrant articles as they may have been amended at the First Session, will be held at the Town House, 86 Town House Road, New Hampton on Tuesday, the 12th day

of March next. Polls for voting by official ballot at the Town House will open at 11:00 a.m. and will close at 7:00 p.m. unless the town votes to keep the polls open to a later hour.

Please see the town website to review the warrant and the town report: www.new-hampton.nh.us

****REMEMBER****

THE RUTH JOYCE SCHOLARSHIP BAKE SALE

The Bake Sale is held on Election Day, March 12th from 11am to 7pm.

Please support the Ruth Joyce Scholarship Fund by baking one of your favorites, buying a sweet treat for yourself or come at lunch time to vote and stay for lunch!

They greatly appreciate your support. If you can volunteer to work at the table for a couple of hours please contact Pat Provencher at 387-5327.

2012 Annual Report Dedication



Selectman Kenneth Mertz presenting flowers to Linda Morgan and informing her that the 2012 Annual Report has been dedicated to her - for her service to the community and to children. She was New Hampton's first Selectwoman serving from 1986 - 1989.

Town Warrant Article 19 -- Say What?

Article 19 on the Town Meeting Warrant will allow the town to purchase of the Elizabeth Clingan Baird property on the Snake River. Unfortunately, the legal language is confusing. This is not an appropriation; the purchase and other costs are being paid from a \$100,000 grant from the state Department of Environmental Services; and \$30,000 in matching funds and services from the Windy Waters Conservancy, New Hampshire Electric Coop Foundation, the Meredith Conservation Commission, and others.

The seller wishes to restrict the property from future development, in order to protect the wetlands that are critical to filtering the water entering Lake Waukewan. In order to do this, the purchase and sales agreement and the grant specify that Meredith will hold a conservation easement. Among other things, the easement prohibits building on the lot, and specifies permitted activities (trails, etc.)

As long as New Hampton does not violate the terms of the easement, all Meredith does is send an annual report to the state. In return, Meredith protects their water supply, and also their property values on the lake. If both Meredith and New Hampton fail to protect the property, the state will have an "executory interest" that allows it to take action.

New Hampton and Center Harbor are also protecting their water quality and therefore property values. The New Hampton Conservation Commission also acquired the abutting Jacqueline Spear property in 2010, and Center Harbor has voted to designate its side of the Snake River as Prime Wetlands, which have extra protection under state law.

The New Hampton Conservation Commission has the power to acquire property under state law with the approval of the selectmen, but does not have the power to transfer property, or a property interest like an easement. That has to come from Town Meeting, which is why this article is on the warrant. The Conservation Commission recommends this article.

Thank you.

Ralph Kirshner, Chairman
New Hampton Conservation Commission
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Warrant Article

19.) To see if the town will vote to authorize the Town of New Hampton to convey a conservation easement to the Town of Meredith (with an Executory Interest to New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services) over unimproved land, consisting of approximately 8.1 acres, situated on the northerly side of Waukewan Road and on the westerly side of Winona Brook, a/k/a Snake River, Tax Map R- 7, Lot 34, which is presently owned by Elizabeth Clingan Baird and subject to a purchase and sale agreement by the Town of New Hampton with a condition of the sale being the granting of a conservation easement as stated above? The conveyance of this conservation easement is a condition of a grant from the NH Department of Environmental Service in connection with the purchase of the property.

Road Weight Limit of 10 Tons

Effective Tuesday, March 5, 2013

Pursuant to RSA 41:11 and per Selectmen's orders, please be advised that the town's roads within the Town of New Hampton will be posted on Tuesday, March 5th, for a **weight limit of 10 tons**. It may be possible to receive a special permit to operate over posted roads for a job or operation for specific dates and times based on weather and road conditions. These permits are available from Public Works Director Jim Boucher. Please contact him to request a permit or if you have further questions at 744-8025 or leave a message at 744-3559.

Public Banking Institute Presentation

March 16, 2013

11:45am

At the Gordon-Nash Library
Judge Nash Room (lower level)

The Public Banking Institute presents Marc Armstrong, and his presentation entitled "Economic Sovereignty with Public Banking." Please join us on Saturday March 16th at the Gordon-Nash Library (lower level) in New Hampton at 11:45am. Light refreshments available. Free to the public. For more information go to www.publicbankinginstitute.org

NEW HAMPTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY PROGRAM
Family Stories: How and Why to Remember and Tell Them
Presenter: NH Humanities Scholar Jo Radner
Thursday, March 21, 7 pm
Gordon-Nash Library

Telling personal and family stories is fun – and much more: storytelling connects strangers, strengthens links between generations, and gives children the self knowledge to carry them through hard times. Knowledge of family history has even been linked to better teen behavior and mental health. In this very active and interactive program, storyteller Jo Radner will share foolproof ways to mine memories and to interview relatives for meaningful stories, and participants will practice finding, developing, and telling their own tales.

Free admission, refreshments.

WHAT'S HAPPENING?

The New Hampton **SUBWAY** has relocated from one location on NH Route 104 to another just a couple hundred feet down the road. **SUBWAY** now occupies the prior FSB bank location in Exit 23 Plaza. Renovations were completed last week and they reopened on March 6th!!!

At the February Planning Board meeting, site plan approval was granted to Lakes Region General Hospital to open a medical practice. In the same Exit 23 Plaza on NH Route 104, Lakes Region General Hospital has begun extensive interior renovations and will open their medical office on or about June 1st, with Monday – Saturday hours. We are looking forward to LRGH opening medical offices at this location on NH Route 104.

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