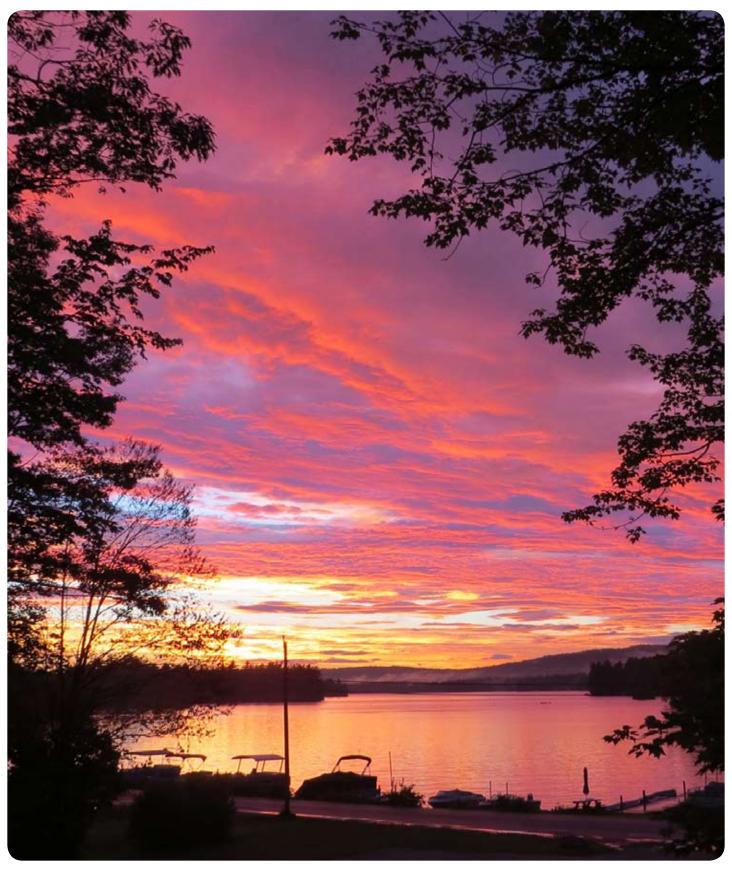
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PUBLIC DISPLAYS OF COMMITMENT

Some of you may remember the days when kissing and hugging in public was called a "public display of affection." The Bow Lake Camp Owners Association (BLCOA) has contributed many "public displays of commitment" to the Lake and its surroundings. One example can be seen in front of the Grange Hall. In case you don't know, the BLCOA has contributed the wreath every year since 2001 for the display. The monument reads "In Remembrance of All Those Who Served Our Country with Honor. This memorial stone was obtained from Fort Constitution circa 1796, Portsmouth Harbor, New Castle, N.H. Placed here by the Bow Lake Camp Owners Association in the year 2001."

Other examples of BLCOA's public commitment are construction of the Public Dock on the Strafford end of Bow Lake; supporting the fireworks (this year July 3); hosting the Day at the Dam (July 4 rain or shine); the Lake Host program; water testing; and the Memorial Tree Planting Program. If you believe in supporting the Lake and its watershed area, then join BLCOA; you don't

have to own a house on the Lake to be a member. The family membership fee is only \$25, which you can purchase online at www.blcoa.org. Also, plan to join us on July 23 at the Chicken BBO (a bargain at \$15 per person) and on August 13 at the Lobster Cookout (cost is \$25 per person). You can also buy these on line. These are several events that BLCOA holds to raise money to support its many public commitments.





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4th ANNUAL BEAN HOLE BASH RACE

Coe-Brown Northwood Academy students Hannah Daly and Jake Snow are hosting their senior project, the 4th Annual Bean Hole Bash Race, at 9:30 am on Saturday July 30, 2016. The start of the race will be at Coe-Brown Northwood Academy, and the finish will be at the Northwood Meadows State Park. The distance options for the race are a 2.5 mile Trail Bounce/Walk and a 5.5 mile Saddleback Mountain Run.

The 2.5 mile Trail Bounce/Walk will start at Coe-Brown. The race will start on Rt. 4 and proceed to the Northwood Meadows. Runners and Walkers will do one loop around beautiful Meadow Lake and head back to the entrance of the Northwood Meadows for the finish.

The 5.5 mile Saddleback Mtn. Run will start with the "Bouncers" and proceed to Northwood Meadows. The Mountain runners will split from the 2.5 mile "Bouncers" at the pond and begin their climb uphill. The 5.5 mile loop features single track, bridges, and several "hurdles" along the way. This scenic run includes great views from the top and an exciting descent back down.

Pre-registration is \$20 and must be received prior to July 20, 2016. Race day registration is \$25 and will be held at Coe-Brown, beginning at 8 am. All proceeds will benefit the Coe-Brown Basketball Programs. For more information or to register online please visit www.beanholebash.com/race. For any questions you may have regarding the race, email us at beanholebash5k@gmail.com or call Nate at 603-608-2145.

TOM BROPHY MEMORIAL BOAT PARADE

Tom Brophy launched this annual Christmas in July Boat Parade on Bow Lake 13 years ago. We carry on the tradition this year on Bow Lake on Saturday, July 9, gathering between 8 and 8:30 pm in front of Bennett's Bridge. Rain date is July 16. We will be traveling counter-clockwise around the lake. There are no fees, no registrations, and no commitments; just decorate and enjoy the fun. Lead boats will start just after 8:30 pm. Jump in and join the line at any time. For additional information, email Theresa Locke at skinnymarie@metrocast.net. All themes are allowed so get creative and add to the holiday weekend festivities. If you are on the shore, show your support with flashlights, add your own festive dock décor, or flash us your house lights! Enjoy the parade; join us this year and have fun!

Where this event is scheduled to begin at 8:30 pm, which is post sunset, proper navigational lights will be required for all participants. Additionally, there is an Administrative Rule, Saf-C 403.14, prohibiting the display of lights that might be "mistaken for, interfere with, or distract from" the required navigational lights (i.e. red/green/white lights). While our intent is not to detract from the event, we do need to ensure that other boaters who are not associated with it are aware of the course that they will be navigating. The specific rule is available at the following website: http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/rules/state_agencies/saf-c400.html.



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The Strafford Women's Club is offering tickets for sale for its Summer Raffle 2016 Fundraiser for scholarships and select community projects—One Ticket for \$1 or six tickets for \$5. Tickets are available at our Ice Cream Socials on July 6 and August 3 at the Bow Lake Grange Hall or from Carol Cooper at 942-8164. This is a pick-a-prize raffle where you choose the prize you wish to win by placing your tickets in the appropriate jar at the Social. A partial list of prizes includes gifts and/or certificates from Ady's One Stop Gift Shop; Blue Oasis Spalon (Monique Cilley); Blue Oasis Spalon (Carol Griffin); Blue Oasis Spalon (Terra Martineau); Bow Lake Community Club; Cooper Hill Pizzeria; Dunkin Donuts Northwood; Halo's Family Hair Salon; Hannaford Northwood; Heritage Hardware; Isinglass Country Store; Johnson's Seafood & Steak Restaurant; K & J's Diner; Kriya Touch Therapies (Suzanne Jenkins); Liu's Garden Chinese Restaurant; Market Basket; Nippo Lake Golf Club; Northwood Diner; Northwood Garage; Piece Time Puzzles; Rochester Country Club; Town Line Tavern; Turnout Treasures; and more to come. Winning tickets will be drawn at the second Ice Cream Social on Wednesday, August 3. You need not be present to win. Many thanks to our generous donors including AMI for our road signs!

ICE CREAM SOCIALS

Take time out of your busy summer schedule to relax and enjoy an ice cream sundae at the Bow Lake Grange Hall on July 6 from 4 to 8 pm. What is more fun and delicious than constructing you own ice cream sundae from a choice of vanilla, chocolate, or coffee ice cream? Pour on caramel or hot fudge sauce, add your choices of toppings from a variety of fruits, nuts, jimmies, and other candies. Top with whipped cream and finish off with a bright red cherry.

Then sit down at a table with your friends and family or make new acquaintances as you savor the blend of flavors and the good company.

Tickets will be sold at the door—small sundaes are \$2.50; large \$3.50. Add a homemade brownie for fifty cents or take one home for later.

While you enjoy your sundae, don't forget to buy tickets for the Pick-a-Prize Raffle, in which you choose the prizes you wish to win. Prize drawings will begin at 7:30 pm during the second Ice Cream Social on August 3, 2016.

All profits from the Ice Cream Socials go to fund two college scholarships for Strafford high school seniors; for an eighth grade student award; and to support other worthwhile community projects. The Strafford Women's Club welcomes new members and guests to attend their monthly meetings. See the *Strafford Community Calendar* for time and place. Thank you for supporting of SWC fundraisers throughout the year.



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CONSERVATION NOTES

On the morning of May 24, a group of nine people met at the Isinglass River Conservation Reserve to pull the garlic mustard which is slowly creeping onto the property east of the Cattle Path. Garlic mustard is an aggressive invader that prevents the growth of native plants by emitting a chemical that inhibits the soil bacteria critical for nutrient and water uptake. The ideal time to pull garlic mustard is in May, while it is blooming but before it sets seed. This is the third year this patch of garlic mustard has been pulled and each year there is less and less.

On another note, two new signs, pointing the way up the Blue Link Trail to the top of Parker Mountain, were attached to the post at the intersection of the Neil Mooers Trail in the Town Forest by Gordon and Carolyn Page. Thanks to Chick Jost for making these excellent signs.

For hikes and excursions beyond our Strafford conservation lands, check the Bear-Paw Regional Greenways website. The "One Step at a Time" program of exploring Bear-Paw's preserves and conservation easements continues in July with a Wednesday morning, July 13, walk back to the Comte easement in Nottingham. Some of us walked it in late winter, but we hope to get some new hikers out to see "The Root Seller's" fields and the natural habitats beyond in their summer condition. On Saturday morning, July 30, you



can canoe or kayak with Bear-Paw on Onway Lake in Raymond, or take a walk in Hooksett on the Great Marsh Preserve. Last fall we only saw a bit of this nearly 400acre property. For the canoe and kayak crowd, check the Suncook Valley Friday Night Paddlers website. Each Friday evening from June through August a group meets for a paddle either on the river or at a local lake. Have a great time outdoors in July.



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BOW LAKE COMMUNITY CLUB NEWS

The annual Ed Gerhard concert was a perfect night of music and entertainment. Many thanks to Ed and Kelli for their generous support of the Bow Lake Grange Hall and the Food Pantry!

Our photo contest judging is nearly finished. Thank you to everyone who sent in such gorgeous area photos. Watch for winners in the next issue!

A special "thank you" to everyone who has renewed their membership or joined us this year. We are very grateful for your support. If joining us has been on your "to do" list, we'd still love to hear from you. Use the materials from last month's Calendar or sign up at bowlakecc.org.

Looking forward, Ducks O'er the Dam is on Saturday, September 3! Do you have your six-quack yet? Use the form from last month's calendar or go to our website, bowlakecc.org and find the Adopt a Duck link on the "Links" page. If you have any questions, contact David Murdoch at murdochwd@aol.com or 905-9897. It will be a quacking good time!

Only the best cooks wanted! Our annual Chili & Chowder Challenge is coming on October 8. Don't wait to sign up for this popular event; call Michelle Benger at 664-5745 to throw your chef's hat into the ring.

The long wait is finally over...our famous Pulled Pork Drive-Thru is coming to the Grange Hall on Sunday, July 3, from 5-7 pm before the fireworks. Skip the stove and the dishes and enjoy some catered family time while staking out a prime viewing spot. Who wouldn't want a plate of delicious, slow-cooked, pulled pork with all the trimmings (and a brownie!)? Drive up and let us serve you, Bow Lake style.

We love our ice cream; did you know that New Hampshire ranks in the top five states for ice cream consumption? Do your part, and come to the Strafford Women's Club Ice Cream Social and Raffle on Wednesday, July 6, from 4-8 pm. Not only will you enjoy delicious ice cream, toppings, and more; you'll be supporting local scholarships.

There is nothing like a warm plate of delicious, fluffy pancakes on a Saturday morning. Don't miss Strafford Garden Club's Blueberry Breakfast, coming to the Grange Hall on Saturday morning, July 30, from 7:30-10:30 am. You'll be rewarded with great





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Monetary donations are always appreciated and can be mailed to Ready Rides, P.O. Box 272, Northwood, NH 03261. Your gifts are tax deductible. Thank you



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The Strafford Recreational Sports Soccer program is seeking certified referees for the fall soccer season. This is a great opportunity for local high school-age youth to make some extra money during the soccer season. See the following website for information regarding referee certification: https:// sites.google.com/site/ nhreferee/instruction/ new-referee-training. If you are already certified and would like to get on our referee list, contact us. Contact Greg Sawyer or Craig Thomas with any questions: gsawyer@ metrocast.net or chomas33@yahoo.com.



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STRAFFORD GARDEN CLUB

The Strafford Garden Club is pleased to be offering a Program on Loons on July 11, 2016 at 2:30 pm at the Grange Hall. Our general meeting will begin at 1:00 pm. Our presenter will be Ellie Daniels, Seacoast Regional Field Biologist of the Loon Preservation Committee, who is encouraging your questions. The Program is free to all who wish to attend and is expected to be interesting and informative.

You might also want to mark your calendar for Saturday, July 30. The Garden Club will be hosting its Annual Blueberry Pancake Breakfast at the Grange Hall. The event runs from 7:30 to 10:30 am. We will be serving pancakes with homemade blueberry sauce, sausage, fruit salad, coffee, and tea. Come one, come all.

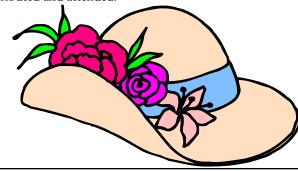
Our June monthly meeting was held on June 6. We welcomed eleven new members. The Garden Club is growing (just like our gardens).

The May outing found us traveling to Pedals in the Pines in Canterbury. Petals in the Pines offers a self-service farm stand, oodles of flowers, garden tours, and workshops to educate kids about the environment. We then enjoyed lunch at Alan's in Boscawen. After lunch we toured the Black Forrest Nursery in Boscawen which makes anyone who loves flowers and plants think they have died and gone to heaven. Massive flower arrangements hung in open gardens. Hundreds of trees and plants decorated the area. Walkways were full of gorgeous arrangements of various plants in assorted colors.

Our Annual Plant Sale was held on May 28. It was a very successful event. We sold hundreds of plants and vegetables, herb planters, dried flower wreaths, and architectural bird houses. We were also pleased to have John Ouellette join us to sell his beautiful pottery. Many lucky attendees received gifts donated by local companies (garden supplies, hanging flowers, gift certificates to restaurants and golf courses, etc.). We would like to thank everyone who contributed and attended.

If you would like more information about the Strafford Garden Club and/or our events, please do not hesitate to contact Carolyn Page at carolynenzpage@gmail.com. Membership is open to men, women, and the young and old alike. Please join us for fun and friendship. Help us beautify our Town with flowers, planters, and gardens. Learn about gardening and the environment. Join us in the outdoors for hikes, trips, and luncheons near and far.

See you at our next meeting and Loon Presentation (July 11); at the Blueberry Pancake Breakfast (July 30); and happy gardening!



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WOMEN'S BREAKFAST

The Bow Lake Church extends an invitation to all community women to come together for a once-a-month potluck breakfast. This gathering is designed for women of all ages to enjoy the fellowship of one another as well as giving the opportunity, through the easy channel of food, to become better acquainted. There is no charge, no homework, no deadline and no lists, but we do ask that everyone bring a dish to pass. Each breakfast features a new (and brief) speaker. Breakfast begins at 9 am on the first Saturday of every month in the Idlepines Room of the Church. Place settings and beverages are provided. Welcome! Come and enjoy.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Third Baptist Church will host the VBS 2016 program entitled "Cave Quest". VBS will be held from 9 am to 12 noon on July 18 to 22, with a closing program on the 22nd at 6 pm, followed by an ice cream social. Children age 4 through eighth grade may register. Students who have completed eighth grade and older may volunteer to assist. To register or for more information, please contact Pastor Muzzey at 664-7750 or email pastorhm@gmail.com.

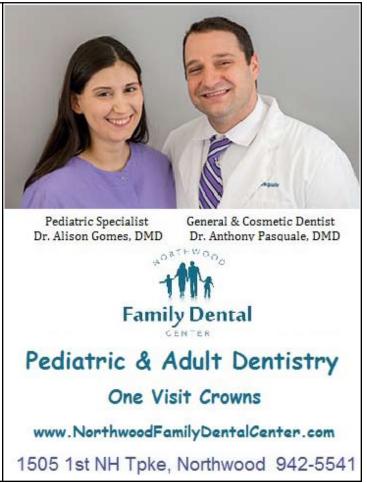
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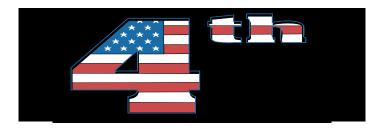
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STRAFFORD TOWN REPUBLICANS

At the June Strafford Town Republican Committee Round Table, Senator Reagan; Senate Candidate Jim Gray; State Representative Kurt Wuelper; and State Representative Candidate Michael Harrington, who is a former State Representative and an energy expert, were among the participants. We discussed energy costs in NH and potential ways of reducing them; the shortage of qualified high school graduates for trades vocations, and the state of vocational education in NH. Our education discussion concluded with talk about the proposed one-year CBA for Strafford (special school meeting on June 25) including talk about the decline in Strafford attendance from a high of 550 several years ago to the expected 380 next year.



NOTES FROM THE TOWN CLERK

Regular Business Hours: Mon/Wed/Thu–8:30 to 2:00; Tuesday-1:00 to 7:00.

Online Vehicle Renewals & Dog Licensing—You can renew your vehicle registrations and license your dogs with the Strafford Town Clerk online. Just follow the instructions on the renewal letters we send OR go to www.strafford.nh.gov (our Town website) and locate the red "Online Payments" button on the home page. The Strafford Town Clerk will process your online renewals and mail your registrations/licenses to you. It's easy and convenient. Only renewals can be processed online; allow one week for processing; all new vehicles, vehicle transfers, and new dogs must continue to be processed in person at the Town Clerk's office. We continue to offer renewal services by mail or in person at the Town Clerk's office.

The Town Hall (including the Town Clerk's Office) will be closed on the following days in July, August, and September: Monday, July 4, 2016—Independence Day; Monday, September 5, 2016—Labor Day; and Tuesday, September 13, 2016—State Primary Election—open for voting only.

Voter Registration for State Primary Election / Supervisors of the Checklist Session / State Primary Election Day—The State Primary is Tuesday, September 13, 2016. You may register to vote with the Town Clerk during regular business hours on or before Thursday, September 1, 2016; you may also register to vote at the Supervisors of the Checklist session to be held on Tuesday, September 6, 2016, from 7 to 7:30 pm at the Strafford Town Hall. Please note: Tuesday, May 31, was the last day to change party affiliation before the Primary Election. If you have not registered to vote by September 6 and wish to vote at the State Primary Election, you may register at the polling place on Election Day, September 13.

For further information or questions, please contact Diane Waldron, Strafford Town Clerk, at 664-2192 ext. 102.

STRAFFORD TOWN DEMOCRATS

The Strafford Town Democratic Committee will not meet on Tuesday, July 5. Instead, it will meet at the home of Dan and Joyce Cappiello, who are hosting a fundraising event for Andru Volinsky, an exceptionally qualified candidate for Executive Council for District 2. The five members of the NH Executive Council act as a check on the authority of the Governor. Please join us at the Cappiello home on Sunday, July 17, from 3 to 5 pm, at 18 Lakeshore Drive, Bow Lake. The current Executive Councilor representing District 2, which includes Strafford, is Colin Van Ostern, a Democrat running for Governor. For more information on the July event, please contact Bob Perry at 269-4651.

At its June meeting, the Committee received updates on local candidates. Former State Representative Bob Perry also provided background on recent legislation. Plans for house parties in Strafford and New Durham to provide opportunities for residents of House District #3 to meet various candidates are being organized. Watch for details in this column and at www. strafforddems.org.





HISTORICAL NOTES

We hope that you all enjoyed the Memorial Day parade this year and noticed our lovely banner for the Town's upcoming Bicentennial. A big thank you goes out to Wayne Hodgdon for putting his truck in the Memorial Day parade on behalf of the Historical Society. Our next Bicentennial Planning meeting will be on Monday, August 15, at 6:30 pm at the Waldron Store. The truck has a good Strafford history connection through Don Yeaton, an Austin-Cate graduate and former head of the State highway crew.

We would also like to extend important thank you's to Bob Manseau for helping to keep the grass cut at the Waldron Store; to Carol Stiles for her help with mowing at Austin Hall; and to Cal and Penny Schroeder for the flowers at Austin Hall. We also owe our thanks to Jean Chartrand Ewen for her donation of display cases and bookcases to the Society. The cases were quickly put to good use at the Waldron Store. Please contact the Society if you are interested in exploring the Chaplin Genealogical Book Collection, now fully available to researchers.

Strafford Historical Society summer events: July 19 – Summer Road Trek. This year's Strafford history tour will explore the Ridge in Center Strafford, starting from Austin Hall at 6:30 pm. Summer Theatre at the Old Waldron Store on July 22, 23, and 24. This year's show is "The Savannah Sipping Society", a new comedy featuring southern charm and strong female characters—perfect for a summer evening. Shows are at 8 pm on Friday and Saturday, with a 3 pm show on Sunday.

Tickets are \$12 and will be sold in advance. Please call JoAnn Brown at 664-2225 or Nancy Hill at 664-5557 for more information. The Historical Society's Annual Yard Sale Fundraiser will run for two days—August 13 and 14, 2016— under the tent at the Waldron Store. Donations may be left on the porch of the Waldron Store or call JoAnn Brown at 664-2225 or Liz Evans at 664-7736. Rent a table for \$15 if you prefer. This is a great way to pass on your treasures to a new home while you browse for that unrecognized gem—a wonderful opportunity to support the Historical Society while winding up the summer.





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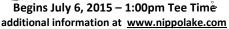
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STRAFFORD WOMEN'S CLUB

The Strafford Women's Club will be holding its July 25, 2016, meeting at 12 Noon on Bow Lake as long as the sun is shining (Beverley's porch if not). Let's celebrate Summer! Bring a brown bag lunch and enjoy the outdoors. Drinks and desserts will be provided. Questions, call Lucinda at 664-9200.

BOOK SALE AT HILL LIBRARY

The Friends of Hill Library will conduct a book sale and provide light refreshments from 10 am to 2 pm during Hill Library's Summer Reading Program closing event on August 20, 2016. If you have any books in decent condition you would like to donate to this sale, please bring them to Hill Library. Watch for more details in the August *Calendar*.

AUSTIN CATE REUNION NEWS

The Austin Cate Academy reunion luncheon will be held on August 30, 2016, at 12 noon at Johnson's Seafood & Steak Restaurant in Northwood...and Nelson McLean will be there! Come one, come all; no reservations necessary; see you there.

MUSEUM PROGRAM

Have you been to the Children's Museum in Dover? How about the NH History Museum in Concord? When was the last time you went to Strawbery Banke? Well, you could go to any one of these, bring back a receipt for your fee, and present it to the Friends of the Hill Library for a reimbursement of up to \$25. This program allows you to go to any museum and be

subsidized for at least part of your cost to visit. Any Hill Library patron can do this once a year. Just ask at Hill Library's circulation desk or go online for the forms (www.hilllibrary.org).



TOPS

It's always a great time to refocus on your personal goals. TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) meets on Tuesday evenings at 6:15 pm at the Strafford Police Station. 2015 was a great year for our chapter. Our members lost a combined total of over 112 pounds! With the support of others, you too can reach your goals! Please join us to see what our group can do for you.

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LIBRARY LINES

Read A Book – Win A Prize! Now that our Summer Reading Program is up and running, make sure you come in and log all the books you have read and earn a ticket for one of our weekly prizes. This year's theme is "On Your Mark, Get Set, Read!" Pick up your Summer Reading Packet and do a weekly craft project on Monday afternoons from 2 to 4 pm. If you feel like cooling off in air conditioning and watching a movie, then please join us every Tuesday and Thursday for our weekly Movie Time from 2 to 4 pm. If you want to hear some stories and have a craft, Story Time sessions are being held every Wednesday from 11 am to noon. And, for the month of July, Hill Library has "Gears" for patrons to explore. Come in and explore and create something new!

New to the Collection—Check out our new Suncook Inter-Library Cooperative (SILC) materials. We will be receiving 40 new audio CDs and DVDs the first week of July. Come in and check them out. All of the new items are on the back side of the white shelf on your right as you enter the Library. Check our website at www.HillLibrary.org and our Facebook page, Hill Library, for new titles to our collection. If you like ebooks or talking books, go to nh.lib.overdrive.com. You can check out three titles at a time—choose Strafford Hill Library, and when prompted for your Library card number, enter 4692 and your six digit card number.

Warm summer evenings are a perfect time to view the heavens. Come in and check out our telescope. We also have three Kindles that can be checked out. You can use these when you download ebooks from NH Downloadable Books Consortium, accessing thousands and thousands of titles. If you haven't already, come in and find out how to download audios and ebooks with your Library card.

Hill Library Trustees—The next Trustees Meeting is Wednesday, July 13, at 6 pm. All Trustees meetings are open to the public; please join us.

Programming—Feeling artistic? Join local artist Anne Smith the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month for the Hill Library Artists' Group from 5-7 pm. Anne is also putting on two Make-and-Take craft workshops this summer. Come in July 12 and join her from 11 am to 2 pm to create your own Cereal Box Book. Next month, there will be a Stick Bound Book craft workshop on August 9 from 11 am to 2 pm.

HILL LIBRARY ART GROUP FORMED

Artists from various disciplines have joined together to form an informal artists' group and will be meeting at Hill Library from 5 to 7 pm on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month beginning on July 12. Come join local artist Anne Smith and others to work on your projects, whatever your creative area may be.

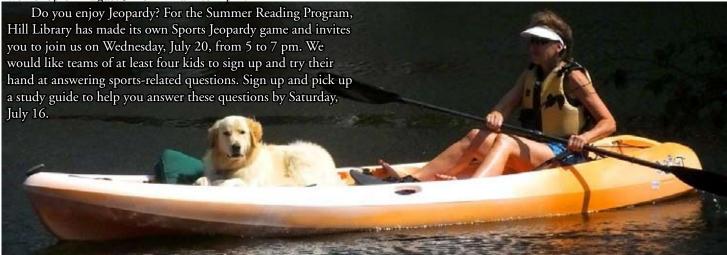
Bring your materials or just bring your ideas and join in the pleasure of shared interests. It's tough for many of us to find the time to pursue our work, so part of the purpose of this group is not only to produce our work, but to talk with peers about our work. Your participation will make the experience more pleasurable and rewarding. A group such as this can be an aid to your creativity; please join us. Direct any questions to Anne Smith at 664-2238.

SPORTS JEOPARDY PIZZA PARTY

Join us for pizza and refreshments at Hill Library on Wednesday, July 20, from 5 to 7 pm for our own game of Sports Jeopardy. We will challenge players of this quiz show with sports fact and trivia. Adults and children are encouraged to form mixed teams to play for fun and prizes. Contact Allison Keough at 664-2800 to sign up and get more information.

YO-YO SHOW AND THROW

Have you ever seen a person perform yo-yo tricks like "Walk the Dog" or "Rock the Baby? Would you like to learn how to perform these classics? You can learn much, much more. Come, join us at the Yo-Yo Show at Hill Library on Wednesdays, July 6 and 20, from 6 to 7 pm. We will be sharing and learning tricks from easy to hard. All skill levels are welcome. Everyone aged 6 to 600 is welcome. You will need to bring your own yo-yos.



Contacts

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Police Business Line664-7462
Dog Officer
Poison Control1-800-562-8236
All Emergencies911
Fire Department Business Line664-6863
Town Hall
Town Clerk's Hours (Ext. 102):
Monday, Wednesday, & Thursday
Tuesday
1.00 7.00
Tax Collector's Hours (Ext. 103):
Monday & Wednesday
Tuesday
1:00-0:00
Town Office/Selectmen's Hours (Ext. 110 or 101): Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday9:00–noon
Building Inspector's Hours (Ext. 104 or by appointment): Tuesday4:00–7:00
Planning & Zoning (Ext. 105)
Assessor (Ext. 107)
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BSA Troop 23	straffordtroop23.webs.com				
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Strafford Town Democratic Com					
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The Christian Cupboard and USDA emergency food distribution site at the Christian Center continues to serve the Town of Strafford. Persons needing food are invited to come to the Center on Thursdays between 8:00 and 10:00 a.m. for confidential emergency food distribution.

1	Fri	7:30 pm	AA in Idlepines Room, Bow Lake Church (every Friday).	\sim
2	Sat	9:00 am	Women's Breakfast in Idlepines Room, Bow Lake Church.	
3	Sun		See Contacts page for local religious services.	
		5-7 pm	Pulled Pork Drive-Thru Dinner at Bow Lake Grange Hall sponsored by BLCC; see article.	•
		9:30 pm	Fireworks at the Dam; time approximate (rain date July 4).	Д
4	Mon	1	INDEPENDENCE DAY; Town Hall and Library closed.	/ 🔪
		9:30 am	Activities Day at Dam by BLCOA; swim races, tube races, & other fun (rain or shine).	
		5-6 pm	Free Dinner at Interfaith Community Kitchen; St. Joseph's Parish Hall, Northwood (every Monday).	
		7:00 pm	Fire Department business meeting.	
5	Tues	2-4 pm	Afternoon movie at Hill Library (every Tuesday in July).	
		5-7 pm	Cartoon and Drawing Club meets at Hill Library.	
		5:30 pm	Selectmen meet at Town Hall.	_
		6:15 pm	TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) at Police Station (every Tuesday).	NI
6	Wed	11:00 am		
		4-8 pm	Ice Cream Social by Strafford Women's Club at Bow Lake Grange Hall; see article.	
		•	Free Dinner at Community Kitchen, Christian Center, Third Baptist Church (every Wednesday).	
		6-7 pm	YoYo Show & Throw at Hill Library; see article.	\mathbf{I}
		7:00 pm	Fire Department EMS training.	
7	Thu	8-10 am	Food Pantry at Christian Center (every Thursday).	٨
,		2-4 pm	Afternoon movie at Hill Library (every Thursday in July).	\mathcal{H}
		6:30 pm	Book Club meets at Hill Library.	•
		7:30 pm	Planning Board meeting at Town Hall.	
9	Sat	8:00 pm	Christmas-in-July Boat Parade on Bow Lake; see article.	\prec
11		2-4 pm	Summer Reading Craft Project at Hill Library (every Monday in July).	
	1,1011	1:00 pm	Strafford Garden Club meeting at Grange Hall; see article.	
		2:30 pm	Strafford Garden Club Loon Program at Grange Hall; see article.	
		7:00 pm	Conservation Commission meeting at Town Hall.	_
		7:00 pm	Fire Department training.	
12	Tues	11am-2p	Make-and-Take Craft at Hill Library.	\bigcup
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		6:30 pm	Bow Lake Community Club meeting at Bow Lake Grange Hall.	\vdash
13	Wed	2-4 pm	Gears workshop at Hill Library.	
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		6:00 pm	Library Trustees meet at Hill Library.	
14	Thu	6-8 pm	Computer Help at Hill Library with Matt Olenski.	
	Fri	o o pin	Deadline for August Strafford Community Calendar.	_
	Sun	3-5 pm	Strafford Town Democrats meet at 18 Lakeshore Drive, Bow Lake; see article.	
	Mon	7:00 pm	Fire Department work session.	L
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		6:30 pm	Strafford Historical Society's Summer Road Trek; meet at Austin Hall; see <i>Historical Notes</i> .	
20	Wed	-	Sports Jeopardy and Pizza at Hill Library.	
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22	Fri	8:00 pm	Summer Theater by Historical Society at Old Waldron Store; see article for details.	N
	Sat	5-7 pm	BLCOA's Annual Chicken Barbecue at Whitcher's; see insert.	
-5	out	8:00 pm	Summer Theater by Historical Society at Old Waldron Store; see article for details.	
24	Sun	2:00 pm	Sew & Chat at Hill Library.	T
	oun	3:00 pm	Summer Theater by Historical Society at Old Waldron Store; see article for details.	
25	Mon	12 noon	Strafford Women's Club brown bag lunch at the Lake; see article.	
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27	Wed	6:00 pm	School Board meeting in Strafford School Library.	
28	Thu	6-8 pm	Computer Help at Hill Library with Matt Olenski.	
29	Fri	6-8 pm	Evening of Poetry at Hill Library with Skip Manning and Carla Desrosiers.	
30		-	0aBlueberry Pancake Breakfast by Strafford Garden Club at Bow Lake Grange Hall.	~
20		9:30 am	Bean Hole Bash Race; see article.	
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