

NOVEMBER 2011



THE FREMONT NEWSLETTER

We're Building Community

FREMONT HISTORICAL SOCIETY PROGRAM & MEETING

The Fremont Historical Society will hold its next meeting on Tuesday, November 15th at 7:30 pm in the Community Room at the Public Library. After a short business meeting, FHS President Matthew Thomas will present a program titled: Interesting Tradesmen & Women of Old Poplin - now Fremont. Learn about early Tanners, Cobblers, Pottery-makers, Gunsmiths, Combmakers, Mantua-makers, Charcoal-makers, Instrument-makers, Joiners, Barbers, and other interesting tradesmen that made their living manufacturing unique items for local or regional consumption.

Anyone interested in local history is always welcome to attend any and all of the Fremont Historical Society Meetings. Refreshments will be served. For more information please call FHS President Matthew Thomas at 895 4032 or FHS Secretary Tammi Bertolami at 895 3745.

FREMONT PLAYGROUP FALL SEASON

The Fremont Playgroup 2011-2012 Fall season is here! Join the Fremont Playgroup every Friday from 9:30 to 11:00 am for play, snack, story time, and caregiver to caregiver chat! The cost is just \$3 per child for Gym, free if child is not yet walking; free at the People's United Methodist Church. (We are a non-denominational group and do not practice religion.) There is no registration or membership, just come and play when you can make it!

Upcoming Play dates are as follows:

November 4: People's United Methodist Church

November 11: Action Kids Athletics Gym

November 18: People's United Methodist Church

For questions contact Nicole Cloutier via email at nicolecloutier725@yahoo.com; call 244 2755 or visit us on Facebook under Fremont Playgroup.

PARKS & REC HALLOWEEN PARTY

The Fremont Parks & Recreation Commission invites you to The Fremont Halloween Party & Costume Parade on **Saturday, October 29th** at the Ellis School Gymnasium from 2:00 to 4:00 pm.

Come in Costume for a Halloween Parade, Games, Crafts, Music, Goodies and More For all ages!

Bring your carved pumpkin to enter a pumpkin-carving contest for all age groups! Prizes will be awarded! Baked goods and drink donations as well as volunteers greatly needed and appreciated!

For questions or to volunteer contact: Nicole Cloutier by email at nicolecloutier725@yahoo.com.

LAMPREY RIVER ADVISORY SEEKING FREMONT REPRESENTATIVE

The portion of the Piscassic River located in the northeast corner of Fremont, a major tributary of the Lamprey River, has been designated to the NH Rivers Management and Protection Program. The Lamprey River Advisory Committee (LRAC) is seeking representatives from Fremont. They have done some outstanding land conservation and public outreach projects and are an energetic, inspiring group of people. Having a

representative from Fremont is important. If you are interested, please call or email Sharon Meeker: phone: 659 5441; email: s-meeker@comcast.net. You will be recommended by the Fremont Selectmen and appointed by the Commissioner of New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services.

REBECCA RULE AT THE LIBRARY

Please join The Friends of the Fremont Library on Tuesday November 1, 2011 at 7 pm in the Community Room of the Library. Humorist and Story Teller Rebecca Rule will present her NH Humanities Council program "That Reminds Me of a Story". The Friends are able to offer this event thanks to a generous grant from the NH Humanities Council.

The evening is sure to be entertaining as Rebecca shares stories she has gathered over fifteen years. Stories speak of our history and community and she encourages audience participation as she chooses which stories to tell and asks that we share some of our own.

Rebecca Rule has written several books including *The Best Revenge: Short Stories*; *Could Have Been Worse: True Stories, Embellishments, and Outright Lies*; and *Live Free and Eat Pie: A Storyteller's Guide to New Hampshire*, and most recently, *Headin' For the Rhubarb: A New Hampshire Dictionary (well, kinda)*. If you would like to learn more about Rebecca Rule she has a blog, *Travels with Becky* at livefreeandeatpie.com and her website is mooseofhumor.com. In addition she hosts the NH Authors Series on NHPTV.

The event is free and open to the public. Light refreshments will be served. If you have any questions please contact Barbara Niland at 895 4801.

IMPORTANT DATES

* DAYLIGHT SAVINGS ENDS November 6, 2011. Don't forget to change your clocks and change batteries in Smoke & CO detectors in your home!

* **All Town Offices will be CLOSED** Friday November 11, 2011 in observance of Veteran's Day.

* **All Town Offices will be CLOSED** Thursday and Friday November 24 and 25, 2011 in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday. Office Hours scheduled for the week include:

Town Clerk: Mon 11/21 and Weds 11/23 8:00 am to 3:00 pm; Tues 11/22 10:00 am to 7:00 pm

Tax Collector: Tues 11/22 11:00 am to 2:00 pm

Selectmen's Office: Mon 11/21 8:00 am to 12 noon; Tues 11/22 & Wed 11/23 8:00 am to 4:00 pm. Selectmen meet Tuesday night 11/22 at 6:00 pm at the Town Hall, in the basement meeting room

Building Inspector: Tues 11/22 8:30 to 10:00 am and 1:00 to 4:30 pm; and Wed 11/23 5:00 to 7:00 pm

Planning & Zoning: Tues 11/23 8:30 am to 12:30 pm and 1:00 to 4:30 pm; Wed 11/24 8:30 am to 12:30 pm.

Trash and Recycling pickup will be delayed by one day.

Thursday pickup will be on Friday and Friday pickup will be on Saturday.

2011 FREMONT GIVING TREE

The Fremont Giving Tree is an annual community event at Christmas to help brighten the holidays for Fremont residents in need. This event originally created by the Fremont PTA, and most recently organized and facilitated by Kathy Arsenault, has been successful over the years because of the generosity of our close knit community. The gifts distributed have included toys, games, new winter jackets, snow boots, snow pants, hats/gloves/mittens, winter clothing, stocking stuffers, wrapping paper, tapes and bows! We have also provided gift baskets to some of our senior residents in need containing, gift cards to local stores & gas stations, stationary w/stamps, plants, chocolates and many different goodies to make the holiday special.

We are thankful to the Arsenault Family and the many years of organizing and facilitating this event to help those families in need within our community. During these tough economic times, there has been an increase in the amount of Fremont families in need and this has become too big of an event for one person/family to continue to organize and manage. We are honored to take over this important project and to continue to provide gifts and other items to any family in need in the Fremont community. The only changes to the program are that the Peoples UMC will be collecting and organizing the donations, and Dawn DiManna is the contact if you are a family in need or are a family who is willing to support this wonderful event.

We know that these economic times continue to be difficult for everyone, but if you are able to help us this year it would be greatly appreciated. There are many ways to help by sponsoring a child, purchasing a toy off his/her list, gift cards, donating wrapping paper or a monetary donation made out to the Peoples UMC Fremont Giving Tree. There is never a gift too small in the eyes of a child on Christmas morning! This event is run solely on the support and donations from our community and volunteers.

If you are family that needs some assistance that the Fremont Giving Tree can provide, or you would like to help the Giving Tree by donating, please call Dawn at 244 1028.

**** Please note that the deadline for signing up is Monday November 14th. PLEASE plan ahead as we are on a much tighter deadline for the 2011 program. ****

HISTORIC 1802 FREMONT TOWN POUND CONSTRUCTION COMPLETED

Nearly two dozen enthusiastic members of the Fremont 250th Committee and volunteers from throughout Fremont spent an exciting day on Saturday, September 17th working hard to reconstruct the historic 1802 Town Pound next to the 1800 Fremont Meeting House. Tremendous progress was made thanks to the dedicated assistance provided by Leon Jr & Lori Holmes, Rick & Mary Pinder, Michael Holmes, Dana & Trish Coulombe, Joe & Doris Nichols, Matthew & Sharon Thomas, Donna Smith, Travis McConnell, Renee King, Timothy King, Jared Butler, and Bill & Logan Aboud. Many thanks to Fremont Pizzeria for donating free pizza and to others from Fremont who so generously donated food and drink for the volunteers. SPECIAL THANKS to Leon Holmes Sr, Leon Holmes Jr, Michael Holmes, Mark Pitkin, Danley Demolition, Matthew & Tanya Bonagura, Bill & Katie Scholes, Dana & Trish Coulombe, Justin & Jeff Philbrick, and the Sam & Lillian Pratt Family for generously donating heavy equipment, rocks, and supplies to help make this Town Pound a reality. We would also like to thank the Selectmen for their support, and the many 250th Committee members and community volunteers for generously donating their time and energy in restoring this ancient piece of Fremont's agricultural heritage.

The enthusiastic and overwhelming support and cooperation shown by so many during this project proves there are still plenty of people in Fremont who put community first and who wish to perpetuate and promote Fremont's proud heritage.

The Fremont 250th Anniversary Committee is pleased to announce that members and town volunteers completed the historic 1802 Town Pound on Sunday October 16th. Many Committee members and volunteers contributed time, equipment, muscle, and food for this worthwhile community project. The Town Pound measures 28 feet X 24 feet with walls standing four feet high, with six-foot high granite posts and a seven-foot long granite entablature generously donated by Fremont residents Lee & Rita Danley and Dana & Trish Coulombe.

Town Pounds were used to restrain local livestock whom escaped from their local farmyards during the 17th, 18th and early 19th centuries. Locals did not want animals trampling through their gardens ruining much needed food and crops harvested to help families survive through long, cold New England winters. Nearly every New Hampshire town had a town pound, most were used up until about the 1870's and 1880's. A Town Pound-keeper (usually a newly married man) was elected to round up stray livestock, bring them to the pound, feed them, and get word to the owner that their animal was impounded. The owner then had to pay a fine that was split between the Town and the Pound-keeper.

FREMONT SCHOOL BOARD INFORMATION – BUDGET PROCESS

It is that time of year for the Fremont School District to begin the annual process of developing the District's operating budget for the 2012/2013 school year. As frequently seems to be the case, no sooner does the process start than rumors begin to circulate. In the interest of keeping everyone informed and in the hope of keeping anxiety to a minimum we would like to clarify the budget process and clear up any misinformation that you may be hearing.

The School Board just began discussing our budget plans for the 2012/2013 school year on Tuesday, October 11th at our school Board meeting. Any budget decisions that are made, are made by a majority vote of the entire School Board at School Board meetings that are open to the public. Anything that you may hear regarding budget information for the school, is easily verified by simply reviewing the School Board minutes. Any input that you may wish to share is always welcome during the Public Input sessions of our School Board meetings that are normally held on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month in the Ellis School Library. You can find our full schedule of meetings at

www.sau83.org/schoolBoard/schedule.html

<<http://www.sau83.org/schoolBoard/schedule.html>> and the agendas for those meetings at www.sau83.org/schoolBoard/2011-2012agendas.htm <<http://www.sau83.org/schoolBoard/2011-2012agendas.htm>>. As always, you may also feel free to call the SAU Office with any questions that you may have at (603) 895 6903.

We appreciate receiving feedback from concerned staff, parents and community members when information you receive does not reflect the official business record of the School Board. Please take the time to verify any information that is flying around regarding the budget and the livelihood of our Ellis School staff before passing it on. These topics are near and dear to everyone in our School District and sensitivity on these matters is of the utmost importance.

If you do hear rumors, we would appreciate you turning to Principal Safina and/or Superintendent Lander for further clarification.

We look forward to a positive and productive budget process this year that will allow Ellis School to become the best it can be for all of our students. Please join us in this endeavor.

Thank you for your time. ~ The Fremont School Board

RFP's POSTED

The Town currently has building maintenance, painting, electricity purchase, and public water system maintenance RFP's posted. If you have any interest, please check the home page of the Town's website or contact Heidi Carlson at FremontTA@comcast.net or at 895 2226 x 10 for more information or to request a copy.

250TH CELEBRATION COMMITTEE

The next meeting of the Fremont 250th Committee will take place on **Wednesday November 16**

at 6:00 pm at the Fremont Safety Complex training room. Anyone interested in joining this active group is cordially welcomed to attend. The Committee recently sponsored a booth at the Fremont Grass Drags to help raise funds towards the upcoming celebration that will take place in 2014. For more information, please contact 250th Chairman Matthew Thomas at 895 4032 or Secretary Trish Coulombe at 997 1414.

TOWN CLERK UPDATES

The process of changing ownership for a surviving spouse can be completed in its entirety at the Town Clerk's Office (no longer have to go to the DMV for the State portion). Lease transfers can also be completed at the Clerk's office (no longer required to go to the DMV for the State portion). Vanity plates; IANTI, IHCAP and IVVET plates can now be obtained from the Clerk's Office if your vehicle currently has regular ANTI, HCAP or VVET plates.

Registration Renewals: When renewing your vehicle registration or boat registration in person, you are required to provide the Clerk's office with the current registration or the renewal notice that you received in the mail. This is a State law. If you do not provide either of these documents, the Clerk's office **CANNOT** process the registration renewal without first printing a certified copy of the previous registration for a fee of \$18.00 per registration.

Initial plates can now be obtained at anytime throughout the year. You can search the availability of an initial plate by visiting the Division of Motor Vehicles website at www4.egov.nh.gov/platecheck. Initial plates are issued on a first come, first served basis. Initial passenger plates are available with seven digits; conservation "Moose" plates are available with six digits and Motorcycle plates are available with five digits. The initial plate fee is \$40.

Registration estimates can be obtained by visiting the Town Clerk's page on the Town's website at www.fremont.nh.gov. Once there, click on the link right below the heading: VEHICLE RENEWALS and DOG LICENSING RENEWALS ON-LINE 24/7. This tool will assist you with an estimate of cost for renewal of vehicle registration and also for newly acquired vehicles. Call the Clerk's Office with any questions at 895 8693.

BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETINGS

The Fremont Budget Committee has established the following meeting dates for review of Town and School budgets for the ensuing fiscal year. The fall 2011 schedule includes the following Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm: **November 9, 16, and 30**. Town budgets will be reviewed through early November, with the balance of November and December for review of the School budget.

All meetings are held in the main floor meeting room of the Fremont Town Hall at 295 Main Street, and the public is welcome to attend.

TOWN & SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING SEASON IS APPROACHING

The deadline for submission of petition warrant articles for the 2012 meeting season is Tuesday January 10, 2012. Petitions for Town Warrant Articles should be submitted to the Selectmen's Office no later than 12 noon. For information on submissions to the School District, contact SAU 83 at 895 6903.

The dates are being finalized for the Town and School District's public budget hearings, so mark your calendars for Tuesday January 10, 2012 and Wednesday January 11, 2012. The scheduling of the NH Primary is pending, and could affect the public hearing dates.

The Town's Deliberative Session will be held at 7:00 pm on Monday February 6, 2012 in the Ellis School Gymnasium. In case of inclement weather, the Town's Deliberative Session will be held on Tuesday February 7, 2012.

The School District's Deliberative Session will be held at 9:00 am on Saturday February 4, 2012 in the Ellis School Gymnasium. In case of inclement weather, the District's Deliberative Session will be held on Saturday February 11, 2012.

THANKSGIVING FOOD BASKETS

The Fremont Food Pantry will be sponsoring our annual Thanksgiving Holiday Food Baskets to any Fremont resident who is in need of one. If you need to sign yourself and/or your family up to receive a basket, kindly do so no later than Monday November 6th to Kathy at 895 1162.

If you would like to help the Food Pantry by donating items, the following is a list of items needed to fill each basket:

Turkey	Rolls and Butter
Stuffing	Holiday Dessert
Turkey Gravy	Onions
Fresh Potatoes	Cider or Egg Nog
Fresh Squash	Cranberry Sauce
Fresh Carrots	Fresh Fruit
Canned Corn & Green Beans	Pickles/Olives
Disposable Roasting Tin	
Gift Card to Hannaford, Market Basket or Walmart	

Food can be dropped off at the Fremont Town Hall during normal business hours. If you would like more information on how you can help, please contact Kathy at 895 1162. All calls to the Fremont Food Pantry are completely confidential.

CABLE COMMITTEE MEMBERS SOUGHT

The Board of Selectmen seeks interested Fremont residents to assist with a Cable Access Management Committee to oversee the purchase and installation of cable/video broadcasting equipment for the Town. Responsibilities will also include researching options available for the purchase of cable equipment (video and audio), to facilitate and manage future live and taped rebroadcast of meetings and events on the Town's cable channel.

Letters of interested are welcome from any Fremont resident. Letters should be submitted to the Board of Selectmen, by email, to Selectmen@Fremont.nh.gov or by mail to PO Box 120, Fremont NH 03044-0120. Please submit letters by November 30th.

PARKS & REC FREMONT MOVIE NIGHT

On Saturday, November 12th at Regal Hoyts Cinema 8 located at 100 Technology Drive in Hooksett (NOT the IMAX Theater) the Parks & Recreation Commission will sponsor a free MOVIE NIGHT. You pick the movie any movie, any time that day, we pay! Show proof of Fremont Residence, sign-in and enjoy! Proof of residency includes NH Driver's License, Sanborn High School ID or current utility bill. Parents may show ID for children being dropped off. For more info contact Nicole Cloutier at nicolecloutier725@yahoo.com or call 244 2755.

PEPPERMINT PONIES 4H CLUB

Does your child love horses? Girls, boys 5 - 18 years are welcome to club meetings to learn more about horses, ponies, 4H group, and hands-on activities. No experience or horse ownership is necessary. Questions, contact Jan Brubacher, Leader by phone at 303 1584, or by email at j.brubacher@comcast.net, www.4hpeppermintponies.org, www.northroadfarm.com. Stop by and visit the farm.

www.Fremont.nh.gov

Town Hall Office Hours

Tel: 895 2226 ~ Fax: 895 3149

Selectmen's Office VM 10,11

Mon & Fri 8:30 am to 12 noon
Tues & Wed 8:30 am to 4:00 pm
Thurs 11:00 am to 5:00 pm

FremontTA@comcast.net
FremontTownHall@comcast.net

Tax Collector 895 3200 X 14

Thursday 11:00 am to 2:00 pm
FremontTax@comcast.net

Town Clerk 895 8693 VM 15,16

Mon, Tues & Wed 8:00 am to 3:00 pm
Thurs 10:00 am to 7:00 pm
Closed Friday

FremontClerk@comcast.net

Bldg & Planning 895 3200

Building Inspector VM 18
Tues & Thurs 8:30 to 10:00 am; 1:00 to 4:30 pm; Weds eves 5:00 to 7:00 pm and by appointment

FremontBI@comcast.net

Planning & Zoning VM 17

Tues, Weds, Thurs 8:30 am to 12:30 pm; Tues 1:00 - 4:30 pm

FremontPZ@comcast.net

Health

Deputy Trudie Butler 679 8630

Welfare by appt 895 3200 x 12

Town & Department Contacts

Police Department 895 2229
Fax 895 1116

Mon – Fri 8:00 am to 4:00 pm
police@fremontnhpd.com

EMERGENCY dial 9 1 1

Fire Rescue Business 895 9634
Office Hours M/Th 5:00 to 7:00 pm
Raymond Disp 895 4222 Non-Emerg

Highway Dept - Road Agent

Mark Pitkin 300 7429

Fremont Public Library

Tel 895 9543 ~ Fax 895 0549
Tues & Thurs 1:00 to 8:00 pm
Wed & Fri 9:00 am to 5:00 pm
Sat 9:00 am to 2:00 pm
www.fremontpubliclibrary.org

Food Pantry Kathy 895 1162

Stephanie 895 4454

Ellis School 895 2511 sau83.org
432 Main Street

SAU # 83 895 6903 Fax 895 6905
5 Hall Road Suite 1 Fremont NH

Post Office 895 2094

Mon - Fri 8:30 - 11:30 am / 12:30 - 4:30 pm
Sat 8:30 to 11:00 am

FAA fremontathletics@yahoo.com

Trash Pickup & Recycling – Waste Management of NH - 800 847 5303

MEETING SCHEDULE

Town Hall – Main Floor

Parks & Recreation 7:00 pm

Nov 8 Dec 13

Open Space Comm 7:00 pm

Nov 1

Budget Comm 7:00 pm

Nov 9, 16, 30 Dec 7, 14, 21

Town Hall - Basement Mtg Room

Cemetery Trustees 3:30 pm

Dec 5

Conservation Comm 7:00 pm

Nov 1 Dec 5

Planning Board 7:00 pm

Nov 2, 16 Dec 7, 21

Selectmen 6:00 pm

Nov 3, 10, 17, 22 Dec 1, 8, 15

Zoning Board 7:30 pm

Nov 29 Dec 27

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Fremont Public Library

Library Ttees 4th Weds 7:00 pm

Supervisors of Checklist 7:00 to 7:30 pm
Nov 1 Dec 6

Friends of Library 1st Tues 7:00 pm

Fremont Safety Complex

Garden Club 4th Tuesday 7:00 pm

ADDED TAX OFFICE HOURS

Wednesday Nov 30 5:00 to 7:00 pm

Thursday Dec 1 10:00 am to 3:00 pm
5:00 to 7:00 pm

Friday Dec 2 8:00 am to 12 noon

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FREMONT NH 03044

**Please send email for the Newsletter
to: Selectmen@Fremont.nh.gov**

*Deadline for submittal is the 15th of each month for publication in the following month. No opinion pieces
will be accepted. Submissions may be edited for clarity and/or due to space constraints.*