



Moultonborough Town News

Summer 2016



NATIONAL RANKINGS BEST HIGH SCHOOLS – MOULTONBOROUGH ACADEMY #5 IN NEW HAMPSHIRE!

“The U.S. News rankings include data on more than 21,000 public high schools in 50 states and the District of Columbia. Schools were awarded gold, silver or bronze medals based on their performance on state assessments, their graduation rates and how well they prepare students for college. Read the full methodology online.”

We are proud of our students and happily share with the community the 2016 report: “Moultonborough Academy is ranked 5th within New Hampshire. Students have the opportunity to take Advanced Placement® coursework and exams. The AP® participation rate at Moultonborough Academy is 39 percent. The student body makeup is 49 percent male and 51 percent female, and the total minority enrollment is 5 percent. Moultonborough Academy is the only high school in the Moultonborough School District. “



ONLINE SERVICES OFFERED BY THE TAX COLLECTOR'S OFFICE

Just a reminder that we offer PAPERLESS BILLING. We are hoping this will be especially helpful to our seasonal taxpayers, those that travel on business or those that just prefer to do everything electronically. This feature will help avoid the frustration of the mail forwarding process and the potential delay/lost in the mail syndrome for all taxpayers. You can opt-in for paperless billing at the time of making your online tax payment. If you do not wish to pay online but want to opt-in for paperless billing, please send an email to taxcollector@moultonboroughnh.gov or stop in the office, and we can enter the information to your account once you have signed an authorization. Taxpayers who opt-in for paperless delivery will receive up to three emails alerting them that their bill is available on-line. The first email is sent once the new bills have been uploaded. A second email is sent 15 days prior to the due date if there is an outstanding balance due. A third and final email is sent three days prior to the due date if the outstanding balance is not zero. We also offer ONLINE REAL ESTATE TAX INFORMATION. Want to know what you paid for real estate taxes when you file your income taxes, obtain a copy of your tax bill, find out the balance due, or make a payment by credit/debit card or electronic check? You can get all of that information online at your convenience, 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Simply go to the Town's website and click the Online Payments button, select Tax Collector Payments and follow the prompts, or go directly to www.nhtaxkiosk.com.

MOULTONBOROUGH CONSERVATION COMMISSION TO PRESERVE LEE'S POND PROPERTY



View of Lee's Pond and proposed Preserved property.

The Moultonborough Conservation Commission recently completed negotiations with resident Robert Goffredo to preserve a parcel of land that falls between Route 25 and Lee's Pond in Moultonborough. This 37 acre parcel has 3800 feet of shoreline on Lee's Pond and the Red Hill River. The property is an integral part of the Red Hill River Watershed and connects to preserved land along the Red Hill River in Sandwich and Garland Pond in Moultonborough.

The parcel was identified by the Moultonborough Conservation Commission's 2007 Natural Resource Inventory as a high priority wildlife habitat area. The land provides an extension of the wildlife corridor from Red Hill down to the pond and the extensive marsh area along the shoreline provides habitats for birds, waterfowl and other aquatic animals.

Other benefits for conserving this parcel are the protection of water quality for Moultonborough Bay Inlet. The undeveloped heavily wooded land facilitates the mitigation of storm water runoff and supports infiltration helping to sustain a quality aquifer. The parcel also shares in the early history of Moultonborough. Moultonborough Falls, a thriving village of the 1800's, was located in this area, at the intersection of Route 25 and Sheridan Road, and several foundations can still be found there.

Need to Contact Us: Phone: (603) 476-2347 Fax: (603) 476-5835

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DID YOU KNOW ...**YOU CAN REGISTER YOUR BOAT AT THE TOWN CLERKS OFFICE?**

You can now register your boats in the Town Clerks Office. For renewals, please bring in your paperwork that was sent to you by the State of N.H. For new boat registrations you need to bring proof of ownership such as a Bill of Sale/Purchase and Sales Agreement, a Title/Certificate of Origin/Manufacturers Statement of Origin, or a Receipt of Purchase.

The information that is required to register a boat is:

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| - Bow number of the boat (if the boat already has one) | - Hull Identification Number | - Engine Type |
| - Make & Model | - Length of Boat | - Style of Boat |
| - Type of Fuel | - Type of Fuel | - Horsepower |
| - Hull Material | - Inland or Tidal | - Color |
| | - Use of Boat | - Propulsion |

**HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DAY**

Saturday, August 6, 2016

8:30a.m. - Noon

68 Highway Garage Drive, Moultonborough

Acceptable items from the house: arts and craft supplies, drain opener, dry cleaning fluids, epoxies and resins, floor cleaner & polish, oven, cleaner, photo chemicals, roofing tar, spot remover, unbroken fluorescent bulbs.

Acceptable items from the yard/garden: cesspool cleaner, coal tar-based driveway sealer, muriatic acid, pesticides (1 gallon containers or smaller), herbicides & weed killers, pool chemicals, rust.

Acceptable items from the garage: radiator cleaners, car wax and polish, carburetor cleaners & degreasers, gasoline & diesel fuel, mixed motor oil.

Acceptable items from the workbench: paint stripper, paint thinner & solvents; oil based paint, spray paint, stains and varnishes, wood preservative.

Items NOT accepted: ammunition/fireworks, asbestos, gas cylinders (including propane tanks), empty/solidified oil based paints, explosives, radioactive materials (smoke alarms), household trash, tires.

Only household products; please call 651-7530 for commercial waste. You will be asked to participate in a brief survey, which helps us improve our collection efforts. Keep materials in original containers. For speedy drop-off, place containers in a sturdy cardboard box in your trunk.

For more information please contact David Jeffers, Lakes Region Planning Commission at djeffers@lakesrpc.org

**MILFOIL UPDATE FROM THE MILFOIL COMMITTEE**

By the time you read this, Aquatic Variable Milfoil Weeds are already actively growing in Moultonborough in 2016 and we need your support!

The Moultonborough Milfoil Committee is very active on many fronts to combat this menace that impacts the recreational use and economic value of our ponds and lakes. Over 14,000 gallons of Variable Milfoil were removed by certified divers from Moultonborough waters in 2015. We are beginning to hold our own in the battle against this tenacious aquatic weed but we need your help to continue the fight.

We need volunteer "Weed Watchers" to look for areas of milfoil infestation so that it can be harvested. If you enjoy looking around while out on the water in your canoe, kayak or on your paddle board or PWC, you are in a perfect position to help us spot milfoil. Give us a call. We'll provide the training on what to look for.

We also need volunteer "Lake Hosts" to perform courtesy inspections of boats and trailers at the public launch ramps to prevent the spread of "hitchhiking" invasive plants and to help educate boaters. If you like meeting people and can spare a half day on a Saturday or Sunday once a month in June, July and August, give us a call. Again, we'll provide the training!

If you have interest in understanding more about the efforts to control this invasive weed, please come to one of our monthly Milfoil Committee meetings to get a better understanding of this multifaceted program. If you're a member of a lake association and would like us to make a 15 minute presentation at your next meeting, just give us a call. There is a wealth of information on our web page on the Town website at www.moultonboroughnh.gov, then click on Committees and then click on Milfoil Committee. Or, call us at 603-253-7879 for more information. Your interest and participation in this important program is greatly appreciated. *We look forward to hearing from you!*



DID YOU SEE THE NEW LOOK OF OUR WEB PAGE?

Check out the new look of our website at www.moultonboroughnh.gov. Due to the rapid growth of mobile devices and the need to access information on the go, our new website design has been streamlined & configured to be mobile responsive. This means that the website will automatically adjust itself to fit the screen size on any device you view it on, giving you an easier, faster and more efficient way to get the information you need, whenever and wherever you are."



NEWS FROM THE LIBRARY

We have quite an assortment of programs planned at the library over the next few months. When we began our Coloring and Confections for Grownups program at the end of February, it was going to be meeting once a month. But the participants are so enthusiastic they have been meeting every week. So if you'd like to join them, stop by the library on any Tuesday morning, 10:30a.m.-12:00p.m. We have many designs to choose from and dozens of pencils, markers and pens. Everyone is very generous in sharing supplies and ideas, and Sue makes delicious sweets!

Staff member AnneMarie continues to offer a wide variety of popular technology classes. Topics include Windows 10 for Beginners and Android Smartphone and Tablet for Beginners. Every Monday afternoon we have our drop-in Technology Users Group and every Tuesday afternoon AnneMarie teaches an iPhone and iPad Class for Beginners class.

In June we will begin our American History Lecture Series with former National Park Ranger Mike McKinley. The schedule: June 7: A Fast Ship in Harm's Way: John Paul Jones and the Cruise of the USS Ranger November 1777-May 1778. June 14: Robert Rogers of the Rangers. June 21: A Sad and Terrible Blunder: Custer, the Battle of Little Bighorn, and its Aftermath. All programs are on Tuesdays at 10:30a.m. Long Distance Hiker Gordon DuBois will share stories of his Hiking the Lakes Region on June 8 at 7:00p.m. You can read Gordon's occasional columns on hiking with his faithful companion Reuben in the Laconia Daily Sun.

Our Friends of the Library group will hold their biggest fundraiser of the year on June 22. Their biennial House Tour is a huge undertaking, involving more than one hundred volunteers and the generosity of the home-owners who graciously open their lovely homes for ticketholders to tour. On June 29 at 7:00p.m., the Friends will host a program sponsored by the NH Humanities Council: Songs of Old New Hampshire. The very talented Jeff Warner offers the songs and stories that, in the words of Carl Sandburg, tell us "where we came from and what brought us along."

Our enormous annual Book Sale will be held on Saturday and Sunday, July 2 and 3rd from 9:00a.m. to 5:00p.m. this year. Thousands of books at budget prices will be available to purchase. We need more volunteers for this event. If you would like to help, please call the library.

On July 7, at 7:00p.m., we will continue with another NH Humanities Council program: Who Won the War of 1812? NH's Forgotten Patriots. Historian J. Dennis Robinson offers an upbeat, often irreverent, slideshow on NH's reluctant role in "Mr. Madison's War" with special emphasis on the bold privateers who swarmed out of the state's only seaport.

Chef and gardener Liz Barbour returns for another wonderful cooking demonstration. Her program Cooking and Gardening with Edible Flowers will be on Friday, July 15 at 10:30a.m.

On Monday July 18th, at 7:00p.m. Liz Charlebois, Education Director of the Mt. Kearsage Indian Museum, will lecture on the History of the Abenaki Indians. This presentation will bring a new perspective on the vastness and richness of Native American culture that not only includes New Hampshire, but most of New England and eastern Canada. The Friends will sponsor a Book Discussion of the classic The Autobiography of Malcolm X on July 28th.

Monday, August 1, at 7:00p.m., Ramblin' Richard presents Songs and Stories of World War II: Popular Wartime Songs and their Stories You Didn't Know. Richard, a retired professor, tells the stories and sings the songs while accompanying himself on guitar, 5 string banjo and baritone ukulele. The Friends of the Library will host another NH Humanities Council program on August 11 at 7:00p.m.: Imperial Russian Faberge Eggs. This illustrated presentation by scholar Marina Forbes focuses on the life and remarkable work of Russian master jeweler and artist, Peter Carl Fabergé. Gordon DuBois returns to share stories of Hiking the John Muir Trail on August 17 at 7:00p.m.



CHILDREN'S LIBRARY NEWS

We are looking forward to warm weather and the kick off of our Summer Reading Program. The theme this year is ***On Your Mark, Get Set, Read!*** Some of the activities planned include ***magician Darren Yong***, live animals, a Disney themed sing a long, ***Marvelous Marvin's Health Circus Extravaganza***, stories, movies, crafts and lots of reading! Please pick up a calendar of events at the Library or check out our website for a complete list of programs. We'll kick off the program by participating in the July 4th parade. Sign up to ride on the Library float, carry a banner or help pass out candy!

NEWS FROM THE ASSESSOR'S OFFICE



The Carroll County Registry of Deeds is now on-line! You can search for recorded documents at www.nhdeeds.com. A link is also available from the Assessor's section of the Town's website. Vision will be completing a statistical update of values again this year. The update process involves analyzing the recent qualified sales and comparing the sale price to the assessed value. The results of this analysis are used to adjust the land and building values of all other properties in town.

We are in the fifth year of our program to measure the exterior improvements of properties and list the interior features (number of rooms, bedrooms, baths, flooring, type of heat, basement finish, etc.). This year, most of the properties inspected were on the eastern side of town. Vision personnel have also inspected properties throughout town that sold within the last year or had a building permit. If your property is included in this list, and they were not able to inspect the interior, you will receive a letter this summer requesting that you call to schedule an inspection. These interior inspections will be scheduled in late June and early July when more property owners are in town. Please help us to keep fair and equitable assessments by calling us for an inspection. Without accurate information on the physical attributes of the property, we cannot accurately assess all properties.

Last year, we were able to offer taxpayers and others a complete copy of the Property Record Card (tax card) on-line through CAI (formerly Cartographics). To view the Property Record Cards through CAI, go to our website, www.moultonboroughnh.gov. Click on Tax and GIS Maps, then query by name, address, or map and lot number and click on Vision Property Card. CAI changed their database driver this year, and the Property Record Cards can now be viewed on an ipad or iphone as well as other devices.

In addition to the CAI website, we are also offering access to the Vision on-line database (previously offered). To view the Vision on-line database from our website, click on Departments from the homepage, then click on Assesor, and then click on Vision on-line database. Feel free to call us, and we can assist you to access our website.



MOULTONBOROUGH RECREATION DEPARTMENT NEWS

As always the Moultonborough Recreation Dept. is offering a wide variety of activities and events for the spring and summer. Please check out our summer brochure to see our full schedule of events, activities, classes, trips, camps, and programs for all ages – toddlers through senior citizens. We have some great family fun activities planned as well - Movies in the Park (our August movie night is followed by a good old fashioned campfire – complete with s'mores!), our ever popular concert series at the Lion's Club gazebo, water carnival, penny carnival, July 4th activities and much, much more. We have several great adult trips planned including the ever-popular Cabbage Island Clambake as well as others. Adult Yoga is back at the Recreation Dept. – information can be found on our website – www.moultonboroughnh.gov – click on Recreation Department. For the brochure click on Summer 2016 and then Summer Brochure 2016. The summer brochure will also be available in hard copy at the Recreation Dept., Town Hall, Library and various other places around town.



SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING IS HERE!

On May 13th the Moultonborough Waste Management Facility transformed from a full sorting recycling facility to a single stream recycling facility. So what does that mean for you? No more need to have multiple containers in your home to keep your recyclables separate and no more running from spot to spot to dispose of your recyclable items separately at the Waste Management Facility! All recyclables - paper, cardboard, glass, aluminum and steel cans, plastic, etc. can all be placed in one container or paper bag and tossed away in the designated container! The only other container you'll need is your regular one for your household trash and garbage! For more details about this exciting change please visit the facility website at <http://moultonboroughnh.gov>, then click on Departments and then select the Transfer Station for more details or talk with a facility attendant.

CLOSED

All non-essential Town Offices (including The Transfer Station) will be CLOSED:

UPCOMING 2016 HOLIDAYS

Independence Day: Mon., July 4th

Labor Day: Mon., Sept. 5th

Columbus Day: Mon., Oct. 10th

Veteran's Day: Fri., Nov. 11th

Thanksgiving Day: Thurs., Nov. 24th

Day After Thanksgiving: Fri., Nov. 26th

Christmas Day: Sun., Dec. 25th

Day After Christmas: Mon., Dec. 26th