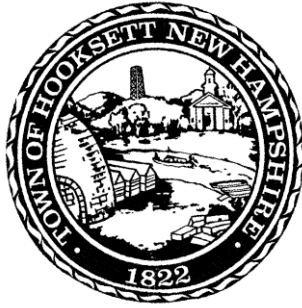


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Welcome the Future"*



TOWN OF HOOKSETT NEWSLETTER

Candidates Night - April 25th, 7-9 pm @ Library

The Hooksett Library will be sponsoring a *Candidates Night* for all who are running for Town Council, whether or not they are in a contested race.

It will be on Monday April 25th at the Hooksett Library from 7-9 PM. The moderator will be Don Riley, former school board member. We invite all citizens to come meet the candidates and learn about why they have chosen to run for the Town Council. They will answer questions from the moderator and also from the audience. There will be a social time after the question and answer period for citizens to be able to talk with the candidates. We urge all citizens who have questions about recent events or the warrant articles to come and ask questions of those who will represent you and make decisions for the Town of Hooksett for the next year. For further information, please contact the Library at 485-6092 or Mary Farwell, Chair of the Library trustees at 485-5217.

The **Hooksett Office of Emergency Management** and the Hooksett Health Department, in conjunction with US Department of Justice Drug Enforcement Agency and the Greater Manchester Board of Health, is announcing the **2nd Annual Drug Take Back Initiative to be held Saturday, April 30, 2011, at the Manchester National Guard Armory located at 771 Canal Street, Manchester.**

This initiative addresses a vital public safety and public health issue. More than seven million Americans currently abuse prescription drugs, according to the 2009 Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration's National Survey on Drug Use and Health. Each day, approximately 2,500 teens use prescription drugs to get high for the first time according to the Partnership for a

Drug Free America. Studies show that a majority of abused prescription drugs are obtained from family and friends, including the home medicine cabinet.

The purpose of the Drug Take Back Day is to provide a venue for persons who want to dispose of unwanted drugs and unused prescription drugs. This effort was a huge success in removing potentially dangerous prescription drugs, particularly controlled substances, from our medicine cabinets.

Due to the overwhelming success of the first event, the Greater Manchester Board of Health and the DEA has scheduled the second National Prescription Drug Take Back Day which will take place on **Saturday, April 30, 2011 from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.** This is a great opportunity for those who have accumulated unwanted, unused, and outdated prescriptions, to safely dispose of them.

The Hooksett Police Department recently had two new police officers graduate from the 154th Session of the New Hampshire Police Academy on April 15, 2011, Officer Katherine Fiore and Officer Brett Fernald.

Officer Katherine Fiore is currently a Dunbarton resident, a graduate of Stoneham High School, Stoneham, MA and Saint Anselm College with a degree in Criminal Justice.

Officer Brett Fernald is currently a Hooksett resident, a graduate of Souhegan High School and Rowan-Cabarrus Community College in North Carolina with a degree in Liberal Studies. Officer Fernald served in the United States Army as an Airborne Ranger and is a veteran of both Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom having served five combat deployments.

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Officer Fernald is currently a member of the Massachusetts National Guard.

Earth Day, Saturday, April 23rd

The Recycling and Transfer Department is sponsoring an open house event for Earth Day on Saturday, April 23rd from 8:00 – 1:00. The Department will be hosting a document shredding day. If you want to shred any personal documents, Northeast Record Retention of Hooksett has graciously donated their time and equipment to join the Community at this event. The mobile truck will be at the facility from 9-1. The Department will be offering several drawings for free recycling bins, lawn and leaf bags, a compost bin and some Earth Day T-shirts. Shaw's in Hooksett has donated reusable shopping bags. There will be free coloring books and activity books for the kids. Also pick up your free vehicle litter bags.

In addition, the Recycling and Transfer Department, would like to sponsor a community wide roadside litter clean up. We would like to encourage residents, neighborhoods, businesses and local organizations to organize roadside clean ups. Blue trash bags (from New Hampshire the Beautiful) are available at the Recycling and Transfer *Department* office. Get some bags, organize a neighborhood cleanup and notify us as to where the cleanup will be held, and the bags will be collected. For bags or more information please call Diane Boyce at the Recycling and Transfer Department, (603) 669-5198 or email at dboyce@hooksett.org. Information is also available to businesses and residents who are interested in learning about the Sponsor-A-Highway program sponsored by the NH Department of Transportation. Anyone interested in participating in the event is welcome and should contact Diane Boyce. Please let us know ASAP so we can plan accordingly.

Spring Yard Cleanup

The Recycling and Transfer Department will be collecting bagged leaves and grass during the week of Monday May 2nd –May 6th. All leaves and grass must be put in the biodegradable brown lawn and leaf compost bags. No other containers will be picked up at the curb. The bags must be brought to the curbside on your regularly scheduled rubbish pickup day. No brush, tree limbs, stones or trash can be placed in bags. Residents who do not use the

special compost bags can bring the material to the facility where it is accepted at any time. Please call the facility at 669-5198 if you have any questions.

Read Popular Magazines Online 24/7

Popular Mechanics, Discover, Vanity Fair, Prevention and *Atlantic* magazines have been added to the library's new Online Newsstand. The Online Newsstand is easy to use, free and allows you to read popular magazines 24/7! Simply visit the library's website and have your library card number ready to start reading the latest issues of your favorite popular magazines.

Art Class Participants Receive Awards

The library is pleased to recognize Lucille Lavigne, Doris Ouellette and Theresa Beauchemin for participating in the Elliot Senior Center Art Show in Manchester on Wednesday, April 6. Ms. Ouellette received a "Most Creative" award and Ms. Beauchemin received the "Most Original" and "Most Detailed" awards. The works that the three ladies displayed were produced at the library during the Wednesday morning art classes with Laurie Lafleur.

Easter Egg Hunt @ Your Library

Saturday, April 23 from 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

It's time for our annual Easter Egg Hunt! Bring the whole family and join in on the fun. The five and under crowd will start at 10:00 am and then the older set will start at 11:00 am. We'll also have crafts and a visit from the Easter Bunny!

Genealogy Research - Workshop

Tuesday, April 26 at 6:30 p.m.

Muriel Normand, Director of the Board of the American-Canadian Genealogical Society, will provide a basic introduction to Ancestry Library Edition and Heritage Quest Online, two online resources that are available @ your library!

Underground Railroad - Presentation

Thursday, April 28 at 7 p.m.

Eleanor Strang will present a slideshow about the local and national history of the Underground Railroad, the secret network in the years before the Civil War which assisted fugitive slaves as they escaped to freedom. Cosponsored by the Hooksett Public Library and the Hooksett Historical Society.