



June 2017

TOWN OF HOOKSETT NEWSLETTER

For information on what's going on in Hooksett, visit www.hooksett.org

Town-Wide Announcements

Hookset Has a New Police Chief – Janet Bouchard

Chief Janet Bouchard was officially sworn in to replace retiring Police Chief Peter Bartlett at the Town Council's May 24th meeting. Chief Bouchard has been with the department since she started her law enforcement career in 2005 as a patrol officer and has also served as a detective, detective sergeant, and lieutenant. She hopes to continue the work of her predecessor with strong community engagement. Catch the Hooksett PD on Facebook / Twitter! <https://www.facebook.com/HooksettPD> <https://twitter.com/hooksettpd>

NEW BUS SERVICE COMING TO HOOKSETT

Hooksett residents will soon enjoy door to door bus service two days per week – Tuesdays and Thursdays for transportation to doctor appointments, personal appointments, errands, etc. beginning in the summer of 2017. This service is FREE of charge for ridership and all Hooksett residents are eligible. Priority will be given to seniors and the disabled if demand exceeds capacity. More info to follow soon on www.hooksett.org and Community Development's Facebook page!

FOR FURTHER QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT JOY BUZZELL, FAMILY SERVICES DIRECTOR @ 485-8769 OR JO ANN DUFFY, TOWN PLANNER @ 268-0458.

Old Town Hall Restoration - Tin Ceiling Restoration Completed, Broad Beam Work Completed, 2nd Floor Demolition Completed

Lilac Bridge Project – Tentative Schedule

June – Complete temporary sewer bypass operations

July – Controlled demolition of the bridge spans including retrieval from the river and disposal

June Thru August - Concrete patching and masonry repairs of the north and south piers and north and south abutments

September - Erection of the bridge

September Thru October - Installation of water/sewer/utility conduits and wood decking

September-October – Final site work

October 2017 - Bridge Open

Fun in the Sun Summer Camp

A day camp for children ages 5 -13. There is also a volunteer Counselor in Training Program for teens ages 14 & 15. It runs from June 26, 2017 through August 25, 2017. A few openings are still open. For more information, please contact Evelyn Horn at 603-668-8019 or e-mail, ehorn@hooksett.org or go to our website, <https://www.hooksett.org/parks-recreation-cemeteries-division/pages/fun-sun-summer-camp>.

Family Services

Thank you for your continued support of the Hooksett Kiwanis Kid's Closet. Donations can be dropped off in the bins inside the Town Hall entrance. Please limit donations to ONLY GENTLY USED CHILDREN'S CLOTHING AND SHOES, as we do not have the space to accommodate toys and baby items.

Donations

If you have donations of adult clothing, shoes, linens, towels, or curtains, we now have 3 new Epilepsy Foundation donation bins in Hooksett. These colorful green bins are located at the Transfer Station, the Holy Rosary Church, and the Hooksett American Legion. 100% of the proceeds from your donations go to the Epilepsy Foundation to support programs and services right here in New England.

Library News

Summer Reading

Hooksett Library's 2017 Summer Reading Challenge is "Build a Better World." It begins on June 17th with our annual kickoff event: Touch-A-Truck! All ages can participate in our summer reading program where we will have fun story times, STEM challenges, yoga classes, including a performance by the talented Steve Corning at 11:00am on Saturday July 22nd. Enjoy his juggling, humor and amazing balancing feats at this fun performance for all ages!

Ebooks and eAudiobooks Available!

Your Library also has your summer covered with best-selling eBooks and eAudiobooks, available 24/7 from the library's ever-growing digital collection with thousands of titles from which to choose, thanks to our digital content partners, OverDrive and Cloud Library. You can browse the collection, borrow with your library card, and enjoy on your computer, tablet, or smartphone or eReader. The best thing with these titles is that they can be borrowed from the comfort of your own home!

Discount Passes to Amazing Places

Don't forget that your Library provides discount passes to top, local attractions, like the Boston Museum of Science, the Boston Museum of Fine Arts, the SEE Science Enrichment Center, the Squam Lakes Natural Science Center, just to name a few. Our "Beyond Books" collections available for loan include 180+ LEGO kits, Science kits, Telescopes, Cake Pans, Ukuleles, and even 3D printing!

Attention Hooksett Senior Citizens

Did you know that the Hooksett-ites put on regular events for Hooksett Senior Citizens? This isn't just bingo, folks – there's intriguing guest speakers and entertainment in the form of musicians, storytellers, comedians, and special trips. A weekly event at the Hooksett Public Library is scheduled **every** Friday starting at **10AM** where a meal is generally provided at the cost of \$2-\$5 per person and is accompanied by regular activities or entertainment! Contact the Hooksett Public Library if you or a senior citizen aged 55 or older might benefit from getting out and participating in regular activities. Mail should be directed to the Hooksett-ites, Care of the Hooksett Public Library, 31 Saint Mary's Way, Hooksett, NH 03106. **Who are the Hooksett-ites?:** A 501c3 Charity Organization working with the Suncook C.A.P., the Town of Hooksett, and area businesses. It's run by seniors and for area seniors.

[Visit hooksettlibrary.org](http://www.hooksettlibrary.org) to find out more about these and other events and services!

Willing to Serve and Guide your Community?

HOOCKETT WANTS YOU!

Give back to your community by serving on an appointed town board or committee! Unfamiliar, but interested with a given committee's work in Hooksett? DON'T WORRY! Interesting and professional training opportunities can get you brought rapidly up to speed on even the most complex of municipal subjects! On the job training works great as well and most positions impose only light demands on your existing schedule! Help enrich and guide your community!

Board Openings: Planning Board, Economic Development Advisory Committee, Recycling & Transfer Advisory Committee, Parks & Recreation Advisory Board, Heritage Commission, Zoning Board of Adjustment, Town Hall Preservation Committee. Check out Board & Committee openings on the Available Positions page <https://www.hooksett.org/human-resources> or contact Administration at 485-8472x1. Feel free to also stop in at 35 Main Street!