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December Recycling Dates

December 2 & 3

December 16 & 17

December 30 & 31

Trash collection will not be affected by
Christmas or New Year's holiday.

From the Selectmen's Office

The selectmen's office will be closed on December 24 through 26 and will resume regular office hours on Monday, December 29.

Winter Parking

In order to protect the citizens of Brentwood and to facilitate snow removal and sanding operations, there will be no parking allowed on any public street within the Town of Brentwood during the period of November 1 to April 15. Permits to park in the road may be granted by the Selectmen upon a written request to them. Such permits may be granted in special situations and will be for a specific time period.

Karen Clement

Town Administrator, Brentwood

Brentwood's 2014 Tax Rate

Brentwood residents and property owners should be in receipt of their final tax bill for 2014, due December 16 after which 12% interest applies. As indicated on the tax bill, our tax rate is \$25.19.

Tax Rate for 2014

Town: \$ 3.96

County: \$ 1.04

School: \$ 17.79

State: \$ 2.40

Total: \$ 25.19

Equalization ratio: 99.6%

14th Annual Brentwood Fire Department Toy Drive

As we enter into the 2014 Holiday Season it is time, once again, to start thinking of children in Brentwood and their families who may still be struggling to make ends meet. The Brentwood Fire Department is looking for your help to identify local families in need and to provide them with a happy holiday season.

The process is simple. Families in need are identified by the schools, welfare department and local churches. An application is filled out and submitted to the Toy Drive Coordinator, who reviews them and assigns each family a "Letter" to maintain confidentiality. Christmas ornaments are created that list a child's age and their desired gift. Ornaments will be distributed to trees at the Brentwood Town Office Building and Fire Department, with drop boxes placed at various locations in town. We ask that the unwrapped gift be placed at the drop locations with the tag attached.

We are grateful for any assistance you can provide and no donation, no matter the size, will be turned away. We do ask that your donations are submitted by Wednesday December 17th so the families have time to pick up the gifts. With your help we will bring joy to many families in our community that may otherwise have gone without this holiday season. If you have any questions please contact Lt. Tim Labonté at (603) 770-3195 or via the fire station.

Happy Holidays,

Timothy Labonté

Brentwood Fire Dept., Toy Drive Coordinator

Waste Tonnage Figures

	September	October
Tons, mixed solid waste	76.64	141.24
Tons, recycled goods	29.58(27.8%)	24.86 (14.9%)

TOWN OF BRENTWOOD On the Web: www.brentwoodnh.gov**TOWN CLERK and TAX COLLECTOR:**

Phone: 642-6400 X 14
 Mon., Wed., Thurs. 9:00-4:30
 Tuesday 9:00-8:00
 Friday 8:30-4:00
 Saturday 9:00-12:00

MARY E. BARTLETT LIBRARY

Phone: 642-3355 E-mail: bartlettlibrary@comcast.net
 On the Web: www.brentwoodlibrary.org
 Monday 2-7 Thursday 9-7
 Tuesday 9-5 Friday 9-1
 Wednesday 9-5 Saturday 9-1
 Story Hours: Tuesday 10:30 and 2:00 Wednesday 10:30

TOWN ADMINISTRATOR

Phone: 642-6400 X 10 Fax: 642-6310
 Monday–Thursday 8:00-4:00
 Friday 9:00-12:00

PLANNING BOARD

Phone: 642-6400 X 16
 Monday–Thursday 8:00-4:30

SWASEY CENTRAL SCHOOL

Phone: 642-3487
 Swasey on the Web: <http://scs.sau16.org>
 SAU 16 on the Web: <http://www.sau16.org>

From the Town Clerk / Tax Collector**Marriages, Births, Deaths in the Town Report**

- Any Brentwood Resident who had a marriage, civil union, birth or death in 2014 in a state other than New Hampshire and would like to see the event published in the annual Town Report must send a letter of request along with a copy of the “official copy” of the event to the Town Clerk’s Office.

Any Brentwood Resident who had an event occur in New Hampshire and would prefer not to have the event published must send a letter to the Clerk’s Office requesting the event not be published in the Town Report. The deadline for these letters of request is Wednesday, December 31, 2014.

- The Tax Bills have all been mailed out. Bills are **due on Tuesday, December 16.**
- Our office will be closed beginning at 12 noon on December 24 and reopen on Monday, Dec. 29. We will be closed on Thursday, January 1.

Happy Holidays from the staff in the Town Clerk’s/Tax Collector’s Office.

Phyllis Thompson

Let’s Bring Fireworks Back to Brentwood

Do you miss the fireworks and festivities that used to occur every summer in Brentwood?

So do we. For about 20 years, families and friends would gather together for a terrific night, celebrating our country’s birth. It was a great chance to see people that you had not seen for a while, eat some cotton candy, and have fun watching the fireworks. That ended in 2012.

The good news is that a group of volunteers is working to bring fireworks back on Saturday, July 4, 2015. We have already made a lot of progress! We have a non-profit organization, agreement from the county to host the event at the county complex, a contract with the same fireworks company that performed the show for so many years, and some donations from local businesses.

If you would like to help or make a donation, please contact us at BrentwoodFireworks@gmail.com.

Brentwood Fireworks Committee

Michael Esters

Kellie Risner-Day Tony Leclerc

Julie Velevis Michele Eaton

Jim Dinneen Verne Rines

THE BRENTWOOD NEWSLETTER

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Business Card Directory: \$20 per insertion, available in April, September & December issues.
 Business Article: \$100 half page, \$200 full page, available in any issue.

Deadline for January Issue: Friday, December 19

E-mail your articles to newsletterbrentwood@gmail.com or mail to Brentwood Newsletter,
 18 Mohawk Lane, Brentwood, NH 03833

Sergeant Randy Frotton Receives the Life Saving Medal



Sergeant Randy Frotton, second from right in the first row, was awarded the Life Saving Medal at the Selectmen's meeting of November 25, 2014. Many of his colleagues were on hand to honor him.

Chief of Police Wayne Robinson presented the Life Saving Medal to Sergeant Randal S. Frotton during the Selectmen's meeting at the Town Office Building on Tuesday evening, November 25.

The Life Saving Medal is awarded to an officer who, while acting within their scope of duties, saves the life of another person. The officer is awarded the medal in acknowledgement of his or her actions.

The citation for the award read as follows: "For extraordinary heroism in the line of duty on the morning of September 22, 2014. While patrolling in the area of 88 Lake Road in Brentwood, Sergeant Frotton observed a woman in the driveway who was engulfed in flames. He immediately pulled over and ran to the woman's aid. Without regard for his own safety and well-being he put the fire out by rolling the woman on the ground and pulling off the burning clothing with his exposed hands. Once the fire was extinguished Sergeant Frotton called for medical assistance and remained by the woman's side to support and comfort her. His immediate action and dedication to duty on this day, without question saved this woman's life.

In the photo above, the other members of the Police Department who came out to honor their colleague are as follows: front row from left, Christine Belanger, Mike Greeley, Chief Wayne Robinson, Randy Frotton and David Roy. Second row from left, Brett Wells, Paul Hanley, Joe Gordon, Josh Turner, and Denny Woods.

The Newsletter Continues

As I retire as Editor of the *Brentwood Newsletter*, I'm happy to answer the question many have been asking: who will do it now? The Newsletter Committee will actually be expanded with several more people, and the duties will be divided among us.

Marion Arkell, Jim Clark, Brad Stevens and I will still be on the Committee. The new members are Beverly Hodsdon, Ellen Kelly, Erin Merrill, Anne Schultz and Krista Steger. They are bringing in varied skills in design, typing, writing and publishing experience. All of them contacted me! I didn't have to have to go out and talk anyone into it! They all love Brentwood and they all care about seeing the *Newsletter* continue.

I will be there for what Anne aptly called the "institutional memory" – remembering why certain things were done and why we shouldn't forget such and such. For the time being Jim Clark and I will still handle the Business Card Directories and Business Articles. I will also enjoy writing an article now and then, and encouraging others in town to do the same.

I won't say goodbye because I'll still be around. I will say how proud I am of this town, proud of how this transition is taking place, and proud to be among the many accomplished, creative, sensible, thoughtful, discerning, hard-working people of Brentwood.

The most important note at the moment is where to send your *Newsletter* information. Use this for your January articles.

The new e-mail address is:
newsletterbrentwood@gmail.com

If you're sending by U.S. mail, address it to the Brentwood Newsletter, 18 Mohawk Lane, Brentwood, NH 03833.

Linda Rousseau

The Development of a Police Office

The Police Department has gone from operating in officers' homes to the basement of the Town Office beginning in 1979. With the Town Office addition in 2001 the Department expanded to a full set of offices as well as a booking area, radio room and the necessary security and holding area for detainees prior to release or incarceration.

From notes by Jane Byrne

From Our New State Representative

To My Community

I want to take the time to thank the wonderful community of Brentwood for getting out and voting in this past mid-term election. As Americans we are privileged to be able to determine our future as far as politics goes. The simple act of voting, a foundational principle we have inherited from our founding fathers, assures us of freedom of speech and choice of civil liberty.

I want to thank several people who helped me in my journey to seek this office and represent this great town in Concord. First of all Phyllis Thompson, Town Clerk, who made my registering to run for office a total joy! She was helpful in so many ways. She brings a lot of life and enthusiasm to her job.

Secondly, Curtis Grace. As our former State Representative, Curtis did an amazing job on many levels. Balancing work, a young family and the demands of public office would be a challenge on any level for anyone. He fulfilled his duties and loved this post so much that he took the time to seek a successor because he cared so much for the good folks of Brentwood. He helped me throughout my campaign, guiding me through the steps I needed to take. He was always there to answer my questions. He even invited me to spend a day with him in Concord so I could see how this beautiful democracy works. It was fun and educational!

Thirdly, Don Petterson, a former State Representative. I remember Don's monthly communications to the town in this newsletter. I felt secure knowing that we had a government official who would communicate the things he felt were important to his constituents. He worked tirelessly to inform us of what was up in Concord that might affect our community.

My campaign pledge was and is as follows: COMMON SENSE POLITICS, CREATING COMMON GROUND FOR THE COMMON GOOD. I want to build upon the foundation of government that is based on simple principles, not party politics as usual. This will be a challenge, but with the help of everyone we can see a return to sensibility in money management, (i.e. taxes and spending), moral integrity, (there is still right and wrong and the majority of Americans believe this), and finally, management of the sacred trust the people have given to the government, by representing THEM, not self interest and greed.

To this end I will be serving you in several practical ways. First, I very much desire to hear from YOU. I will be at the Town Hall on the second Saturday of every month, beginning January 10 and ending June 13. I will bring the coffee and doughnuts. I hope you will bring the changes and ideas you want to see, communicating the things that are in your heart. I will be in the

Cross Room from 9:00 am to 10:30 am to listen and learn about what concerns YOU.

Secondly, following the pattern of Don Petterson, I will be communicating monthly via the town Newsletter, updating you on what is happening in Concord that directly affects you.

Thirdly, I will be going door to door over the next two years, to better understand what is going on in your world of politics and to update you on what is happening in Concord that directly affects you. I hope to hear your concerns and see how we can make a difference.

Finally, I will seek to inspire and inform you weekly on my Facebook page: Allen Cook NH State Representative 2015-2016. My contact information is: Allen Cook, 153 B Pickpocket Rd., Brentwood NH 03833. My cell number is (603) 770-5788.

In closing, I want to thank the Town of Brentwood for allowing me to use the facility for a monthly Saturday gathering. I also want to thank all of you who voted, performing your civil privilege, and thank you to those who voted for me. Excelsior! (Ever Upward!)

Allen Cook

Politics in the Old Days

"A large torch light procession passed through Crawley's and round by what is now called Wood's Corner and down by here [the Sanborn farm near the site of Swasey School] and up to Crawley's to eat their supper. It is the Republican party. They wish to elect Mr. Benjamin Harrison for President and for Vice-President Whitelaw Reid. This evening two flags were raised, one at Crawley's the other at Wood's Corner or Copy Hold."

Brentwood's 225 Years, pages 115-116

November 1888 – "The Republicans of Brentwood last evening gave vent to their enthusiasm over the recent national victory by a torchlight parade, illuminations, booming of cannon, guns, bonfires, etc. The Kingston Band and Nute Guards marched from Crawley's Falls to West Brentwood, where they escorted John F. Ayer wheeled by Herbert Lyford, of Fremont, on a wheelbarrow to pay an election bet made some weeks ago, to Flanders Hall, where an oyster supper was served, given by Representative George R. Rowe. The jollification was highly satisfactory to those who participated and a host of spectators."

*Exeter News-Letter, Nov. 15, 1888 –
courtesy of Matthew Thomas.*

Brentwood Resident in 4-H National Horse Roundup



Jackie Johnson of Brentwood, center, was a member of the New Hampshire 4-H Hippology Team that attended the Eastern National 4-H Horse Roundup in Louisville, KY in November. The team competed in a comprehensive horse knowledge contest, which included written tests, practical knowledge tests, problem solving and horse judging. They were the fourth place team in the Horse Judging Phase of the contest.

In addition to the contest, the group visited the Kentucky Horse Park, Keeneland Racetrack and the Keeneland Breeding Stock Sale, Hagyard Equine Medical Clinic, the National Dressage Finals, the Kentucky Derby Museum and Churchill Downs. 4-H Leader Mary Davis was the team's coach.

*Donna Funteral
UNH Cooperative Extension Office*

Brentwood Seniors

The Brentwood Seniors enjoyed their 34th anniversary luncheon at the Tuckaway restaurant in Raymond last month. Many thanks to Nancy Maynard who served as the organizer.

The December meeting, on **Wednesday, December 17**, will be a luncheon followed by a Christmas music program by the second grade classes of Swasey School. Lunch will be the traditional Christmas turkey with pot luck dishes to complete the meal. Members will be called by the telephone committee to confirm what dish they will bring. Members are also reminded to **bring a non-perishable food item**, to put under the tree for donation to the Food Pantry. Members and friends should **arrive at 11:00 am** for appetizers, business meeting and lunch. For more information call Alma Vahey, president, at 679-8635.

Linda Rousseau for the Seniors

Brentwood Historical Society

Speaker Michael Tougias on a Daring Coast Guard Sea Rescue

Date Changed from Dec. 2 to Dec. 9

The public is cordially invited to come to the **Mary Bartlett Library** on Tuesday, **December 9** at 7:00 pm to hear Michael Tougias' slide presentation about his latest book, *The Finest Hours: the True Story of the U.S. Coast Guard's Most Daring Sea Rescue*. The Historical Society will join with the Friends of the Library in presenting this program, sponsored by a grant from the NH Humanities Council.

The slide program will take the audience back to a ferocious nor'easter on February 18, 1952 off the coast of Cape Cod, which split in half not one but two oil tankers within twenty miles of each other. A total of 84 men were trapped on the severed bows and sterns of both ships. In a life and death drama of heroism and survival, 70 men were rescued and 14 died. The slides will show the storm, the sinking tankers, the rescues, victims, survivors and heroes of this historic event. The Disney Corporation is currently making a movie based on this book.

After the program there will be time for refreshments, conversation with the speaker, and a book signing. For more information please call Alma Vahey, president of the Historical Society, 679-8635.

Christmas Open House

On **Sunday afternoon, December 14, from 2:00-4:00 pm**, the Historical Society Museum will be open with a warm welcome for all visitors at its fifth annual Christmas Open House.

Drop by the **Historical Society Museum, 140 Crawley Falls Road**, for a warm, quiet interlude with a traditional tree, favorite music, delicious egg nog, punch and munchies, while browsing among the many memories and mementos of Brentwood's past. Take time from the hustle and bustle to treat yourself to a visit with friends and neighbors at this annual Christmas event. Hear the chimes of the old tall case clock, see the new exhibit on our nation's historical flags, new displays in the glass cases, and valuable new booklets of information prepared by our dedicated Historical Society members. All are welcome!

For further information please visit our web site, www.brentwoodnhhistory.org or call Alma Vahey, president, at 679-8635.

Linda Rousseau for the Historical Society

The Mary E. Bartlett Memorial Library

We've had another great fall at the library and are all looking forward to a cozy winter of reading and programming. We're the perfect spot to connect with Brentwood friends this season – come on over! Here are a few offerings to entice you away from the malls:

DECEMBER HAPPENINGS @ MEB

The Friends of the Library Craft Fair begins December 1 and will run through December 29. Stop on by to find small gifts for the holidays while supporting the library and local artisans!

Ho, Ho, Ho! Santa will return to the library on **Saturday, December 13 from 9:30 to Noon**. Join the Friends of the Library as they entertain the jolly old soul and help spread holiday cheer! Make greeting cards and reindeer food with Santa's helpers. It'll be a great way to catch up with your Brentwood friends and neighbors.

Just in time for holiday gift-giving, come to the library to learn the art of **Arm-Knitting on Monday, December 8 from 4pm – 6pm!** This program will be geared to those ages 12 through Adult and will result in a beautiful knitted cowl for you or for a gift. All participants should **bring two skeins of chunky yarn** (found at Walmart, Michaels, etc.) Register at the library or online at: www.brentwoodlibrary.org. (Class size is limited to 12 participants.)

Ladies & Gents Night Movie will be held on Thursday, **December 11 at 7pm**. Treat yourself to a night out and enjoy the dramatic sci-fi flick "**The Giver**," [PG-13] based on Lois Lowry's famous novel. Festive refreshments will be served.

Wednesday @ One Cinema will feature some brand new DVD releases this month: **Dec. 3** brings "**The Hundred-Foot Journey**" starring Helen Mirren, **Dec. 10** will feature "**Dolphin Tale 2**" and on **Dec. 17** we'll show "**Magic in the Moonlight**," starring Colin Firth and Emma Stone. Popcorn or holiday treats provided.

At press time, the **Brentwood Bookers** weren't sure what they would be reading in December. Check the library website for more information. The Trustees will be meeting at 6:30 on Monday, December 15. As always, the public is welcome to attend.

The **Knitting Group** continues to gather each Tuesday from **1pm – 3pm**. They will also meet at **7pm** on two **Thursdays: December 4 and December 18**. New members (and crocheters!) are always welcome – no experience required.

Please note the library's holiday hours this month: we will be open on Wednesday, **December 24 from 9am**

to Noon, then **CLOSED December 25 through December 27**. We'll also be **CLOSED on January 1**. If you're desperate for a good book anytime we're not open, don't forget our **Little Lending Library** outside by the flagpole – that will be open 24hrs/day as usual!

One of the real joys this month is the opportunity to say thank you to our patrons and supporters and to wish all of you the very best for the New Year. Here's to a season filled with warmth, comfort and good cheer (oh, and a few good reads, too!)

Check it out @ your **NH Library of the Year!**
Betsy Solon, Library Director

Friends of the Library

Santa Claus is coming to town.....**On December 13 at 9:15 – 12:00** Santa will be making his annual visit to the Mary Bartlett Library. Along with Santa's visit there will be crafts for the kids and shopping for the adults at the craft fair. The crafts are all handmade items from Brentwood residents.

The Friends would like to recognize Joyce Keegal for everything she does for us. She has been a valuable resource in helping with all the events we have at the library. She will be presented with a fleece blanket. Thank you Joyce for all you do for us.

Be sure to check out all the passes that are available for your use. A great and popular pass is the Museum of Science in Boston. This wonderful museum has been educating and entertaining children, and adults, for over 180 years. Check out their website for their daily events, movies and exhibits. The current exhibit is "Maya: Hidden World Revealed. Come and discover the rise and fall of the Mayan people, through artifacts, hands-on activities and re-creations."

I apologize that I forgot to thank Starbucks in my last article. They were kind enough to make a donation for the scarecrow festival last month. We appreciate your donation.

Our next meeting will be **December 10 at 12:30**, if you would like to join us.

If you are interested in receiving email reminders about upcoming events email MaryBartlett76@yahoo.com and we would be happy to add your name to the list. We do not share this information with anyone.

Cheryl Scott

How the Brentwood Newsletter Started

It's safe to say that well over half the people in town were not living here 38 years ago when the *Brentwood Newsletter* was born. The story of how it got started, and lasted this long, is definitely one-of-a-kind in the state. It would probably even startle the NH Humanities Council. We haven't thought to tell them that what grew out of one of their "projects" in 1977 is still going strong today.

At the time, the Humanities Council was sponsoring projects to help communities foster more communication within their towns. A team of three people – largely drawn from University of New Hampshire faculty – was assigned to a town to help it figure out how to improve communication. The teams usually organized a series of living room meetings, encouraging people to say what they thought was needed most. The person who called me said they knew I was "interested in the humanities." I was curious to learn just what they meant by "humanities," and ended up going to several living room meetings.

The people of some towns would decide to have a play, or a series of panel talks or forums. Here it was decided what we needed most was information about what was coming up at the Town Meetings, and that we would try three newsletters plus an informational meeting for citizens to learn more about the most pressing issues of the day. The first three issues were February, April and May 1977.

The first newsletter was typed, mimeographed and mailed from the UNH campus. Remember the old blue waxy mimeograph stencils? The second issue was typed in Brentwood. The typewriter was weak, couldn't do a good job on the blue stencils, and the articles had so many light and broken letters that they were very frustrating to read. This writer desperately volunteered to type the third issue. I was working for a professional newsletter in Exeter and had an electric typewriter for the stencils. The stencils disappeared in time, but I've ended up typing ever since.

The May newsletter brought the Humanities Council project to a close. Their financial support was at an end. What to do next? Continue the newsletter, and if so, how? The "editorial board," which consisted of the four Brentwood people who had stayed with the project throughout, announced another public meeting in the Fire Hall in June. The audience said yes, we should continue the newsletter, and David Dodge volunteered \$100 to pay for the paper, stencils and postage for the next issue. At that time we were mailing to about 500 households for 13¢ postage each. So we launched on a journey of faith, putting a big glass jar for donations at Lindy's, living from issue to issue, including a hand-drawn "thermometer" of progress each month. This kept things going until the next Town Meeting in March. We sponsored a Petition Article for \$1500 for one year's printing and postage. The townspeople voted Yes.

Petition Articles were submitted for two more years, and the vote each time was Yes. Following their usual policy, when Petition Articles from a private group are approved by the voters for three years in a row, the Selectmen make it a line item in the budget, to save time on the floor at subsequent meetings. All such groups submit an annual letter to the Selectmen, outlining their activities for the year and supporting their request for the next year's funds. The *Brentwood Newsletter* does this as well. It also helps to cover about a third of its expenses through the Business Articles and Business Card Directories.

So the *Newsletter* is a private, volunteer citizen committee that receives Town funding, similar to the Visiting Nurse Association, the Teen Outlook Center, etc. We exist only with the faith and trust of the people of this town. If the people become unhappy with the *Newsletter*, the funding could be withheld and the *Newsletter* would end.

This arrangement has existed for all this time. The Newsletter Committee will continue to work to keep it alive and well.

Linda Rousseau

Bluegrass Christmas Concert

There will be a **Bluegrass Christmas Concert** on **Saturday, December 13, 2014** at the **Pilgrim United Church of Christ**, 197 Middle Road (Route 111A), offering a seasonal blend of Bluegrass & Acoustic Holiday Music. Tickets at the door only: \$15 Adults, children under 12 & Seniors \$10. All seating is general admission only. The show will begin **at 7:30 PM** (doors open at 6:45).

"Christmas in the Valley" features holiday music from the popular Christmas CD, "The Season of My Heart" by Rick Lang & Friends featuring Karen Lincoln Wilber. This year the show will include selections from Rick's latest recording "That's What I Love about Christmas."

The Blackstone Valley Bluegrass Band show will feature songs from Bob Dick's solo bluegrass Christmas project *Tidings Of Comfort And Joy* performed by the Bluegrass "fab four"...Bob Dick, Dave Dick, Ken Taylor and Dan Nowlan. Vocalist Amy Gallatin and Guitarist Roger Williams will join in blending upbeat, fun and familiar songs with more contemplative quiet music.

Each year there are a few new wrinkles and surprises to keep you smiling – providing a welcome relief from the holiday rush, simple moments to treasure and a chance to slow down and savor the season.

For information please contact the Pilgrim Church, 778-3189, or Rick Lang, rick@ricklangmusic.com, 603-944-2934.

Swasey Central School Update

Dear Brentwood Community,

We wish you all a peaceful and happy holiday season. Thanks for reading our classroom updates in each issue. We are proud of our school and thank you for your support of quality education in Brentwood.

Ron W. Kew, Principal

Kindergarten

Reading, Writing, Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math, and a very special day- that's what November brings to kindergarten. Our classrooms will feature construction zones where students will work cooperatively using blocks and building materials. The hands-on learning centers provide opportunities for measuring, spatial reasoning, and solving engineering challenges.

This month, literacy and math instruction focus on strengthening foundational skills. Literacy instruction includes introducing sight words and developing phonemic skills such as hearing and segmenting syllables within a word. Math instruction will focus on recognition of teen numbers, counting by tens, and using objects to build combinations equaling up to five.

Grade 1

We had a great field trip to Hidden Hollow Farm in East Kingston. We went on a hay ride, learned about farm animals, and picked and decorated pumpkins. We learned a lot about how a farm is run. We loved feeding the animals and seeing all the newborn babies. We have learned about the life cycle of a pumpkin and got to pick one from the patch. Thank you to the PFG for supporting and paying for this trip!

We will be doing our community service project in December as we collect items for the SPCA in Stratham. These donations are brought in by the students to help the animals at the shelter. Later in the year the SPCA comes in to visit the first graders.

Grade 2

We have established our Hopes and Dreams in second grade and settled into our daily routines. Days begin with a Morning Meeting or an Open Circle meeting to foster communication skills and create a sense of community in our classrooms.

Second graders continue to focus on learning and practicing strategies for math facts and working on number stories. Our butterflies were released into our courtyard and we continued our study of life cycles with trees and leaves. Parents have been invited to help create leaf animals with us, based on the book *Look*

What I Did With a Leaf by Morteza E. Sohi. We'll use pressed leaves to create various animals and natural scenes. We have started to research spiders and bats as we continue to explore life cycles in perfect timing with Halloween!

Art

In the art room our fifth graders have just begun a color wheel lesson that builds on the knowledge learned in fourth grade. This lesson requires students to utilize primary and secondary colors that are arranged in a complimentary color scheme. Our fourth graders have been creating their own homemade scratch papers with oil pastels and India ink. They are very excited to scratch designs into them soon. Third grade has just completed a sculpture lesson that focuses on organic shapes and how a 2-dimensional piece of art can become a 3-dimensional sculpture. Our second graders have been creating line designs that require their thinking caps and imagination. The first graders have been strengthening their folding, cutting and gluing skills by creating a collage with origami paper. It's always exciting in the art room!

From the Music Room...

October started out with a bang! No pun intended, but all of our students, and many staff members as well, loved playing the drums (Djembes) with artist-in-residence Randy Armstrong! We learned West African drumming technique and experienced ensemble playing. Randy also demonstrated a variety of instruments from around the world and talked about the cultures and musical styles of the countries these instruments were from. His residency kicked off with an amazing school wide concert where he performed solo using many instruments and playing all original music. Thank you to the PFG for funding this very successful event!

All grade levels are now involved in lessons based on Halloween music. With a look into the music room you would see grades 1 and 3 doing a lot of movement to accompany their songs. Grades 2 and 5 are adding barred instruments to accompany their songs, and Grade 4 is listening to and analyzing "The Danse Macabre", a tone poem based on Halloween night composed by the French composer and musician Camille Saint Saens.

Mailing Crew for November

Many thanks on behalf of the community to those in the Pickpocket Road neighborhood who assembled the November issue of the *Newsletter*: Helen Calvert, Kris Johnson, Joan Pratt, Jane Storm, Diane Wade and Diantha Wade.

Linda Rousseau, Editor



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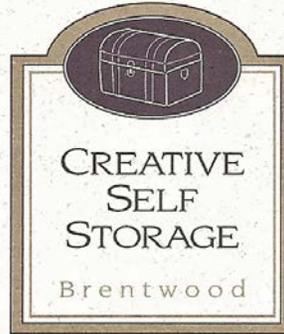


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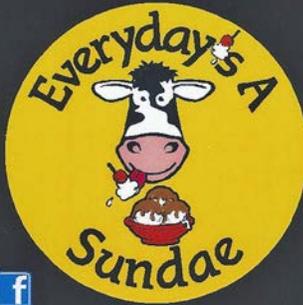
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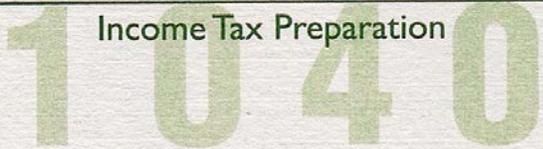
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We're offering another 4 week session of our West Coast Swing dance class.

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Instructor Karen Graham is a professional member of the World Swing Dance Council and Fast Dance Assoc. Karen had been dancing West coast Swing since 1996 and has been teaching West Coast 101 patterns in many areas of Vermont and New Hampshire.

Wednesdays January 7, 14, 21, 28
6:30pm-7:30pm

No partner required to take the lesson.

Session Cost: \$40/each \$75/couple

Drop-ins are welcome at \$15/class

Sign-up through the Recreation office or online through our website.

YOUTH BASKETBALL

K-2nd Grade will begin their season on **Saturday, December 6** at the Swasey School Gym.

Travel teams for 3rd-8th will also begin their season

Saturday, December 6 (see game schedule)

All schedules will be available on the Recreation website.

YOGA CLASS

Tuesday Evenings 6:30pm at the *Brentwood Community Center.*

Come try out our class!

If you decide to register for the session, your first class is FREE.

\$64/ eight weeks.

Drop-ins always welcome at \$10/class.

CALLS FROM THE NORTH POLE!

With the help of our good friends at the North Pole, your child has an opportunity to speak with Santa this holiday season! He will be happy to call your child **December 14th or 15th** between 5:30 and 7:00pm to talk to them and wish them a Merry Christmas. This is FREE but please register your child with the Recreation Office no later than Thursday, December 11. We'll need their name, age and number you wish Santa to call.

MEN'S 30+ BASKETBALL

Our Men's 30+ Pick-up Basketball program will start on Thursday, December 4, 7:30-9:00pm at the Phillips

Exeter Academy gym in Exeter.

Cost: \$80 for 10 weeks.

YOGA MOVEMENT CLASS for Seniors

Join us at the Brentwood Community Center Tuesday mornings for this FREE class.

This gentle movement class helps seniors improve range of motion, flexibility, and balance and will help relieve your aches and pains. No experience necessary.

Class on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month is at 10:00am.

Class on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays is at 9:00am.

Community Center and Playing Field Rental

The Brentwood Community Center is available to rent for parties, receptions, meetings and more. Brentwood residents receive a discounted rental rates! See our website for pictures of the Center and rental application or pick up an application at the Recreation office.

For information regarding field rentals, please contact the recreation office.

Check out the Recreation pages on the town website, recreation@brentwoodnh.gov. You'll find information on programs and events as well as forms to download for your convenience.

Margaret Dullea, Director

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The Slow Growth of Our Town Office

For over 230 years the Town did not have an office. Records were kept in the Selectmen's homes. Everyone remembers when, in about 1965, the town records were kept in the trunk of Selectman Roy Lake's Chevy and a small storage area in the front left side of the Library. In 1967 the Fire Association let the Selectmen have a small office in the back of the original fire station. Selectmen's meetings were held in the fire hall. The Town Clerk, Tax Collector and Treasurer functions were performed in the homes of those officers. By 1978 the voters approved \$20,000 for construction of the first municipally owned Town Office, accomplished under the leadership of Robert Sanborn with lumber cut off town land and countless hours of volunteer labor. The Town Office was expanded in 2001. In 2002, because of the ever increasing work load, the voters supported expanding the 3-man Board to a 5-man Board of Selectmen. That change was 260 years in the making.

From notes by Jane Byrne, who moved to Brentwood in 1965 as a new bride.

Brentwood Gardeners

The Brentwood Gardeners had a merry evening at their November meeting. They welcomed Shannon Griffin, floral designer and owner of The Green Griffin on Route 125, Kingston, who had brought a wonderful array of flowers and greens with which to make a holiday table centerpiece. Members had brought their own containers. With Shannon's coaching and plenty of cutting and snipping, the work tables were soon filled with an amazing array of designs ready to be taken home.

All members are invited to the Gardeners' Christmas Party on **Monday, December 15, beginning 6:00 pm, at Diantha Wade's home.** Bring a dish of appetizers, veggies or dessert, and a wrapped gift for the Yankee Swap if you wish to participate – with a "garden theme" if possible, and no more than \$15 cost.

New members and visitors are always welcome at the Gardeners' meetings. For more information call co-presidents Torie Freeman, 778-3748, or Linda Rousseau, 580-2358.

Linda Rousseau for the Gardeners

Winter Gardening Tips from *The Old Farmer's Almanac*

Make certain that climbing roses are securely attached to their supports.

Use small stakes or markers where you've planted bulbs or late-starting plants in the perennial garden to avoid disturbing them when you begin spring soil preparation.

Apply protective mulches on the perennial garden and bulb beds after the ground has frozen an inch or two.

It's never too late to apply lime to your lawn, as long as snow doesn't stop you from pushing the spreader. The minerals in lime retain their value until the grass is ready to grow again.

Give all trees and shrubs plenty of water before the ground freezes.

Bring garden hoses in soon and drain outdoor faucets. Clean shovels, spades, pruners, and garden tools, cleaning all debris and wiping with an oiled cloth. Sharpen blades.

Wrap young evergreens in burlap to protect from the extreme of winter.

Scrub and disinfect flowerpots from debris, soaking with mild bleach water solution and rinsing.

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Sympathy

Deep sympathy and friendship are extended to the family of **Eleanor Tibbetts**, 90, who passed away on November 15, 2014 at the Rockingham Nursing Home. Born in Exeter to Alice and Seba Smart, she was the youngest of seven sisters, a step-sister and step-brother. She attended Robinson Female Seminary. After her marriage she lived most of her life in Brentwood and raised her family here. She and her husband Lloyd had been married for 72 years. Lloyd built many homes in Brentwood and served a period as selectman.

18th Annual Christmas Tea

Grace Ministries International of Brentwood, NH would like to invite all ladies in the Rockingham area and beyond to this year's **18th Annual Christmas Tea** on Friday, December 5, 2014. Doors will open promptly at 6:45 pm and festivities begin at 7:30 pm. We are located at 263 Rt. 125, Brentwood, NH. Off Exit 7, head south off of RT. #101. We are across from Bessie's Lunch.

The proceeds will be going towards the Hope Health Care Clinic in Nairobi, Kenya. The facility was completed in April 2014, but still lies vacant. Funds will be used to purchase medical equipment and supplies. It is the first of its kind in the area, and will be providing medical care to children and families in the slums of Nairobi.

We will be having a night filled with live Jazz, short comedy skits, a dance ensemble, a photo-booth and a silent auction! It's dress-to-impress, an upscale and classy event from tables to hostesses and our butlers too! This may be your first time joining us so please know it is going to be a night of joyous laughter and wholesome fun! If you have been a part of this event before you know you will not want to miss out! Invite friends, family, and be sure to spread the word. Looking forward to seeing you there!

We are expecting a sold out event so get your tickets early! Online purchases can be made at www.gracemi.org or call the office at 603-642-7848. The cost per ticket is \$25. The amount of fun: priceless.

Grace Gendron

Old Recipe for Pound Cake

from Hannah Morrill Veazey

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A Brentwood Newsletter Business Article

Christmas Eve at First Baptist Church

The First Baptist Church of Brentwood will hold a short traditional Christmas Eve Candlelight Service on **Tuesday, December 24 at 7:00 pm**, with Pastor Hastings leading the service. All are welcome and invited to attend. The church is at the corner of North Road and Route 125.

Christmas Fair & Luncheon

Saturday, December 7, at Pilgrim United Church of Christ, 9:00 am–1:00pm. Craft Tables, Bake Table, Cookie Walk, and Christmas Boutique offering new and vintage holiday items. Luncheon includes lobster rolls, chicken salad and home-made soups. Joyous live music.

Christmas at Grace Ministries International

Grace Ministries will be having our Annual Christmas Tea Friday, December 5 at 7:00 pm.

A **Candlelight Service Christmas Eve will begin at 5:30 pm**. The church is at 263 Rte. 125, Brentwood. Call office for more details at 603-642-7848 Mon – Fri 9 am to 1 pm.

Worship on Christmas Eve

The members and friends of Pilgrim United Church of Christ Brentwood-Kingston invite you to join us on **Tuesday, December 24 at 7:00 PM** for our traditional **Christmas Eve Candlelight Service**.

Come sing the familiar carols and hear the wonderful Christmas story. Come celebrate the joy of Christmas and the wonder of God's love. Pilgrim Church is located at 197 Middle Road in Brentwood.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Dec. 4 Cemetery Trustees – 5:00 pm, Town Office Building.
 Planning Board – 7:00 pm, Cross Room, Town Office Building.
- Dec. 5 **Christmas Tea at Grace Ministries** – doors open 6:45, event begins at 7:30.
- Dec. 6 **Christmas Fair – 9:00am–1:00pm**, Pilgrim Church, UCC, 197 Middle Road.
- Dec. 9 Selectmen’s meeting – 6:00 pm, Cross Room, Town Office Building.
Michael Tougias, on Coast Guard sea rescue – 7:00 pm, Bartlett Library. Sponsored by Historical Society, Friends of the Library and NH Humanities Council.
- Dec. 10 Friends of the Library – 12:30 pm, Bartlett Library.
 Wednesday@One movie – 1:00 pm “Dolphin Tale 2”, Bartlett Library.
 Conservation Commission – 7:00 pm, Town Office Building.
- Dec. 11 Ladies & Gents Movie – 7:00 pm, “The Giver,” Bartlett Library.
- Dec. 13 **Santa at the Library** – 9:30-Noon, Bartlett Library.
Bluegrass Christmas Concert – 7:30 pm, Pilgrim Church, 197 Middle Rd.
- Dec. 14 **Christmas Open House – 2:00-4:00 pm, Historical Society Museum**, 140 Crawley Falls Rd.
Calls from the North Pole – 5:30-7:00 pm. Register your child with Recreation Office by Dec. 11.
- Dec. 15 **Calls from the North Pole – 5:30-7:00 pm. Register your child with Recreation Office by Dec. 11.**
Brentwood Gardeners’ Christmas party, home of Diantha Wade – 6:00 pm.
 Brentwood Bookers – 7:00 pm, Bartlett Library.
- Dec. 16 Selectmen’s meeting – 6:00 pm, Cross Room, Town Office Building.
 Parent Faculty Group – 6:30 pm, Swasey School Library.
- Dec. 17 **Brentwood Seniors’ Christmas luncheon** – 11:00 am, Brentwood Community Center.
 Wednesday@One movie – 1:00 pm, “Magic in the Moonlight”, Bartlett Library.
- Dec. 18 Planning Board – 7:00 pm, Cross Room, Town Office Building.
- Dec. 19 **Final Drop-off date for toys for Fire Dept. Toy Drive.**
- Dec. 23 Selectmen’s meeting – 6:00 pm, Cross Room, Town Office Building.
- Dec. 24 **Christmas Eve Candlelight Service – 5:30 pm, Grace Ministries International, 263 Rte. 125.**
Christmas Eve Candlelight Service – 7:00 pm, First Baptist Church, corner North Rd. & Rte 125.
Christmas Eve Candles & Carols Service – 7:00 pm, Pilgrim Church UCC, 197 Middle Rd.
- Dec. 30 Selectmen’s meeting – 6:00 pm, Cross Room, Town Office Building.
- Jan. 5 School Board meeting – 6:00 pm, Swasey School Library.
 Trails Committee – 7:00 pm, Town Office Building.
- Jan. 6 Selectmen’s meeting – 6:00 pm, Cross Room, Town Office Building.
- Jan. 8 Cemetery Trustees – 5:00 pm, Town Office
 Planning Board – 7:00 pm, Cross Room, Town Office Building.

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