



2017 filing dates for town and school offices

The Town and School District governing bodies need citizens who are willing to file for and serve in various positions. Those who intend to file for office, or are thinking about it, need to know that the **ten day filing period begins on Wednesday, January 25, 2017 and ends on Friday, February 3, 2017 at 5 p.m.**

To file for Town Office: Candidates must file with Town Clerk Phyllis Thompson during her regular office hours. These positions are open:

Selectmen	2 for 3 years
Cemetery Trustees	1 for 3 years
Library Trustees	2 for 3 years
Municipal Budget Committee	1 for 3 years
Planning Board	2 for 3 years
Trustees of the Trust Funds	1 for 3 years

Note: open positions do not imply that the incumbents are leaving; it simply means their terms are up, and they must stand for re-election.

To file for School Office: Candidates must file during the same ten day period. Brentwood School District Officers may file with Phyllis Thompson; filings for Cooperative School District positions are accepted at SAU 16, 30 Linden Street: Door C. These positions are open:

Brentwood School District Officers

School Board 2 for 3 years

Cooperative School District Officers

School Board (from Brentwood) filled

From Other Towns 3 for 3 years

1 each: E. Kingston, Exeter and Stratham

All towns may vote for these candidates.

Moderator 1 for 1 year

Budget Advisory Committee 3 for 3 years

1 each: Brentwood, Exeter and Kensington

1 from Newfields 1 for 2 years

All towns may vote for these candidates.

Annual business meetings: everyone is invited and urged to attend

Tuesday, January 10	6– 7 p.m.	Public Hearing for Cooperative School Bond Issue at Exeter High School
Tuesday, January 10	7– 8 p.m.	Public Hearing for Cooperative School Budget at Exeter High School
Thursday, February 9	7 p.m.	Cooperative School Deliberative Session at Exeter High School
Monday, February 13	7 p.m.	Public Hearing for Brentwood Town and School
Alternate date: Thursday, February 16	7 p.m.	Budgets at Brentwood Town Offices
Friday, March 10	6 p.m.	Brentwood School District Meeting at Swasey School
Tuesday, March 14	8 a.m.–7 p.m.	Brentwood Town Elections at the Community Center
Saturday, March 18	9 a.m.	Town Meeting at Swasey School

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TOWN OF BRENTWOOD
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Planning Board meets the 1st and 3rd Thursday of
the month at 7 p.m.

SWASEY CENTRAL SCHOOL

Phone: 642-3487
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BRENTWOOD POLICE

Emergency: 911
Non-emergency: 642-8817

BRENTWOOD FIRE

Emergency: 911
Non-emergency: 642-8132

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Recycling Pickup Dates

January 10 & 11 and January 24 & 25

Waste Tonnage Figures	October	November
Tons, mixed solid waste	116.48	126.73
Tons, recycled goods	29.15 (20.01%)	40.02 (24%)

Karen Clement, Town Administrator

Town Clerk's notes

When transferring your plate to a new car, please bring the old registration in at the same time. A copy will cost you \$17.50.

We only accept cash or checks. When registering your car, please bring two checks, one for the State and one for the Town.

The filing dates for town and school elected positions are January 25 through February 3.

The town clerk's office will be closed January 2 and January 16.

We do snowmobile registrations.

Phyllis Thompson – Town Clerk – Town of Brentwood

Daphne Woss – Deputy Town Clerk – Town of Brentwood

Thank you to our mailing crew for December

Many thanks on behalf of the community to the Brentwood Firemen's Association for taking an evening to assemble the December issue of the Newsletter for mailing.

Linda Rousseau on behalf of the Newsletter Committee

A change in deadline for contributors

The Brentwood Newsletter is making a modest change in its monthly schedule, a change we hope our contributors will find more convenient.

For some time, the deadline for submissions has been the 20th of the month for the following month's newsletter—for example, October 20 for the November issue.

But lately, because of the personal and professional schedules of the many volunteers, the newsletter has been arriving in homes around fifth of the month, and many important first-week events have already come and gone.

So, beginning now, the deadline for submitting articles will be the 15th of the prior month: January 15 for the February issue, February 15 for March, and so on.

We hope the change means you'll receive your newsletter on the first or second of each month.

And always remember, you are always welcome to include your early-month activities in your prior-month's news to be sure people can get important dates on their calendars.

We hope this works to everyone's advantage and to keeping the newsletter as "newsy" as possible.

Thinking ahead...

February Newsletter deadline---January **15**

March Newsletter deadline---February **15**

April Newsletter deadline---March **15**

Brentwood FD seeking trained firefighters, EMTs

Fire Chief Kevin Lemoine has announced that as the department's list of active, trained personnel has decreased over recent years, and the safety requirements of the town continue to change and increase, new members are now being recruited.

"Having enough trained personnel has always been an issue when handling emergencies," said Chief Lemoine. "If the requirements of the town continue to change, the Fire Department must also. If we cannot recruit new and active personnel, we will have to increase our full-time force."

Chief Lemoine explained that "what is involved in being able to work at fires and other emergencies is an FF1 certification. This physically demanding course is 140 hours, four months long, meeting two to three times a week. You must pass both a written and practical test. Once you have passed FF1, you need to be familiarized and trained on our equipment."

Next, said the chief, is learning how to operate and drive the vehicles. "You must take another test for your CDL driver's license to be able to drive the trucks. This amount of training will give you the basics; you can now assist at emergencies."

Recruits are expected to respond to emergencies whenever possible; the Brentwood Fire Department answers more than 1,000 calls for service a year. The length of calls can range from one to three or more hours. The Fire Department trains twice a month which all members are expected to attend.

Those interested in making medical calls must attend an EMT class, which entails 130 hours of training twice a week for three to four months. You must pass a practical and written exam. The ambulance squad conducts mandatory training once a month. You must also recertify your EMT license every two years, which requires 48 hours of continued education and 24 hours of class work and a practical exam.

The Fire Department pays all class expenses as well as an hourly rate when you respond to emergencies and training.

"Being a call FF and/or EMT can take a lot of time and commitment," said Chief Lemoine. "It is more like a professional part-time job, with hours you have no control over. So why do we do it? The satisfaction of helping people in need."

Anyone interested in learning more about the steps to becoming a firefighter or EMT should call the Fire House at 642-8132, or stop in for a conversation.

Library Director Solon moving on; Trustees accept resignation with regret

The Trustees of the Mary E. Bartlett Library have accepted, with sincere regret, the resignation of Library Director Betsy Solon. Marc Wilson, Chairperson of the MEB Board of Trustees, announced that Betsy is leaving to accept a position much closer to her home.

"Betsy has served with distinction as Director for five years," Wilson said in the statement from the board. "The trustees feel fortunate to have had the opportunity to work with her and are grateful for her leadership, collaboration, and her sense of humor. Betsy's last day at the Library will be January, 28. When you visit the library, please add your voice in appreciation for her service to our community."

The trustees held a special meeting on Wednesday, December 28 to begin the planning process of filling the position. The next regularly scheduled meeting is on Monday, Saturday, January 9, 2017 at 6 p.m. at the library. The public is welcome to attend all meetings.

Let's light the fuse on Brentwood's Fireworks Celebration 2017

The new year is one great way to celebrate a major milestone but the Brentwood Fourth of July Fireworks committee would like to get an early start and get the fires going for this year's Independence Day event!

The committee wishes to reach out to everyone in town and ask respectfully for everyone's help and support to make the Fourth of July Fireworks 2017 happen, and happen big. Right now we are a committee of four (Kevin St. James, Kim Cataldo, Kellie Risner-Day, and Julie Velevis) actively seeking a handful of residents to lend a small amount of time and talent to fundraising for the event scheduled to take place on Tuesday, July 4, 2017. It's a lot of work for four - it would be a lot less with more! Can you help?

We have plans to seek funds from surrounding towns whose residents also enjoy Brentwood's fireworks display - so let's talk! You're welcome to reach out to me, Kellie Risner-Day, at kelrisday@comcast.net, to offer your time, ideas, and suggestions.

Kellie Risner-Day for the Fireworks Committee

Tech innovation, non-fiction reading, community service at SCS



Here's wishing you a Happy New Year from all of us at Swasey Central School. This is such a busy and fun time of year for the students and staff at Swasey. Thanks for reading our updates in the Brentwood Newsletter. We've included a variety of information on our students' activities. As always, we aim

to provide engaging educational experiences for all students. Your involvement and input are important and we appreciate your interest and support. Don't hesitate to contact me at the SCS office at 642-3487 or at rkew@sau16.org if you have any questions.

Kindergarten and first grade registration

Please come in to Swasey to register your child for kindergarten and/or first grade for the 2017-2018 school year. Current kindergarten students do not need to re-enroll to move on to first grade. To qualify for kindergarten registration, your child must turn five years old prior to September 30, 2017 and/or six years old to register for Grade 1. Registration information is located on our school website.

Grade 3 news

Third graders have been finishing lots of units and projects and starting up some new ones. In math, we're making great progress in learning the multiplication facts and learning how to add and subtract larger numbers. This includes mental strategies for breaking the numbers down so they are easier to work with. After the holiday, we will begin working on geometry, with a focus on the different types of quadrilaterals. We are moving on from our narrative writing to writing informational articles or reports. Some skills we will need to use are learning how to read nonfiction, and how to determine what is most important in the text we read. We will also use charts, diagrams, and pictures to help gain information. We will incorporate this writing project with a science unit on space. In addition to the focus on nonfiction reading strategies, third graders are learning about the genre of mystery books. We just completed a STEM holiday project that challenged the students to create the tallest paper tree that was capable of holding a decorative star. Students worked in groups to accomplish this task. The tallest tree that met the criterion was 42 inches tall! After the holiday break, third graders will begin learning cursive.

Grade 4 news

Fourth grade had an exciting Fall. In November, students learned about plant needs, package engineering, geometry, and New Hampshire counties. They also sponsored a food drive for 68 Hours of Hunger. The school raised 347 cans. We visited Rockingham County's facilities to see first-hand how our county works. We toured the Courthouse to learn about the jobs of the Registrar of Deeds and the County Attorney. We also went to the County Jail and Sheriff's Department where we talked with the High Sheriff. We ended our tour at the Nursing Home to learn how the county takes care the elderly. In December, fourth graders learned about energy, researching famous New Hampshire people, and reading Sadako. On Innovation Day, December 8, students chose a technology to improve and spent the day learning about the technology to innovate using it. Their products were on display at the end of the day for families to view. We celebrated Winter with an all-school winter walk.

Fifth graders enjoyed making holiday greeting cards for active service men and women. It was a time to reflect upon the sacrifices those who serve in the armed forces give, including time away from their families during the holidays.

Swasey's 4th and 5th graders are working in conjunction with the Brentwood Historical Society to write about school for Brentwood's 275th Anniversary book. Students researched back issues of the Brentwood Newsletter and/or interviewed adults who worked at Swasey School at different periods of time to gather information and are writing articles which will be included in the book.

Music news

Ms. Dozet and Mr. Robinson continue to be the music teachers for our K-5 students at Swasey while Mrs. Gavin is out on an extended leave. In the lower grades, the children continue with finding and understanding steady beat with games such as "Beat Chief." They are also learning to be a good audience and performer with the game "Mirror Dance." Singing and composing were concepts worked on with the "Barnyard Dance" and "It's Snow Fun" was a song that also involved miming activities they like to do in the snow.

In the upper grades, students also continued work on steady beat with a stick passing game and a song from Ghana, "Sansa Kroma," in which the students moved, danced, and sang in a different language. At Thanksgiving time, they did some composition focusing on their favorite parts of the holiday. Wishing for us all a happy and healthy new year.

Art news

The art room continues to be an exciting new place for our kindergarten students. They have been exploring a wide variety of art making media. Most recently we used various lengths of cardboard to stamp overlapping black lines to create many shapes. We have challenged our first graders to draw four complete tiny pictures. Their focus has been on the many details that are needed to create a complete picture such as full use of space and full color. When complete all four tiny pictures were mounted for display on one background paper.

Our second graders have been enjoying a transfer drawing technique using oil pastels and folded drawing paper. Second grade has been exploring painting with watercolor paints and straws. It was fun for them to blow paint around the paper to create a design. Third grade just completed learning about the life and artwork of Vincent Van Gogh. Each student then got the chance to create their own composition of Van Gogh-inspired sunflowers.

Fourth graders have been solidifying their understanding of positive and negative space with a chalk stenciling lesson... messy but fun. Fifth graders have been learning how to make two dimensional shapes look three dimensional using one point perspective.

Ron Kew, Principal

Letter of thanks

On November 12, Boy Scouts and their leaders did the annual "Scouting For Food" Project which helped fill the Brentwood Food Pantry to overflowing! After scouring the town, the scouts also carefully arranged nonperishable items according to product, making it a lot easier to check and put away the food. The collected food filled several tables! The food pantry serves many folks, who are most grateful for the assistance. Due to the outpouring of canned goods, Thanksgiving boxes included extra food for following days.

A sincere "thank you" to the Brentwood Boy Scouts, their thoughtful leaders, and the residents of Brentwood who gave so very generously.

Linda McLeod for the Brentwood/Pilgrim Church Food Pantry

Achievement

Luke Wellington, son of Mike and Christine Wellington of Rowell Road, graduated November 18 from the New Hampshire Police Part-Time Officer Academy. Luke will work for the Hampton Police Department while continuing his graduate work at UNH.

Have you ever met a U.S. President? (And have a picture to prove it?)

The Brentwood Historical Society is still unearthing material that will make the updated Town History a valuable and exciting book. We know that some citizens have met and been photographed with a President of the United States. The book might have a special section showing town residents who have had their picture taken with a President – or touched bases with Presidents in some particular way. Does anyone have such a story to tell, or a picture, of him- or herself or another family member or resident with a President? We would borrow it just long enough to scan it and return it to you. Please contact Albert "Skip" Belanger, at 772-5826 or skipandsandy@comcast.net.

Historical Note

The December Brentwood Newsletter featured a picture of the Fellows Box Factory, which existed for so many years across the river from Mill Road. Lloyd Tibbetts, Sr., during an interview with Sandy Thomas in 2007 when he was 90 years old, remembered that the Fellows mill employed nearly 300 people during the 1930s. This business, he said, along with the thriving poultry business, kept the Depression from having a negative impact upodiscon Brentwood during the 1930s. Below is a photo of workers in the mill at an earlier time, about 1885.



Linda Rousseau for the Historical Society

Not receiving the Newsletter?

Every resident and/or landowner in Brentwood is eligible to receive the Brentwood Newsletter in their home mailbox. If you or someone you know is not getting it, there are sign-up cards at the Brentwood Library and Town Clerk's Office, or you may email the name and address to newsletterbrentwood@gmail.com

The Newsletter is also available online at the town website, www.brentwoodnh.gov. Recent Newsletters can be found in the right sidebar of the Home Page.

Brentwood Gardeners will have chili and a craft session

The January meeting of the Brentwood Gardeners will begin with their traditional January Chili Supper and continue with a craft session led by Jackie Sullivan. Members will bring either a favorite chili, some of the great side fixins that go with chili, or a dessert to finish off the feast. Jackie will then coach the group in making outdoor ornaments for their gardens. This will all take place Tuesday, January 17, 7 p.m. in the Fellowship Room of the Pilgrim United Church of Christ on Middle Road.

A reminder that annual dues will be accepted by treasurer Gladys Ray at the January meeting. For further information please contact co-presidents Torie Freeman, 778-3748, or Linda Rousseau, 772-4534 or lindarou@comcast.net.

January gardening tips

- When tree and shrub branches bend under the weight of a new snowfall, gently brush off the snow with a broom. Don't try to remove ice or you might break the branch. It's possible to save a branch that partially splits from the main trunk if you tie it in place and use long screws (coming from each direction if necessary) to secure it. If done the right way, the tree may callous over the wound and heal itself next season.
- Every few weeks, bring the bird feeders inside and wash them with soap, water, and a little bleach (1 part bleach to 9 parts water). Rinse thoroughly.
- If you keep any kind of gardening journal, dig it out now and refresh your memory of what worked and didn't work last year. Those who don't keep a journal sometimes use a small notebook to collect their thoughts and wish lists. Some just use a folder each year, to tuck notes in, such as ideas for next summer's vegetable garden and what varieties to try, plant lists, and maps of what they planted and where.

Linda Rousseau for the Gardeners

A new membership drive approach from Friends of the Library

The Friends of the Mary E. Bartlett Library would like residents and members to know that we are handling our Annual Membership Drive a little differently in 2017.

We did not mail a membership request in 2016, as we have in the past, because mailing and printing costs keep rising. We are working on becoming more fiscally and environmentally responsible while also making the membership process more convenient for our members and new members. To this end,

we are applying for a nonprofit account to give members easy access to donate online. We hope to have this available early in the new year.

If you're ready to join now and would like to make your donation by check, make the check out to "Friends of MEB Library" and mail it directly to the library's 22 Dalton Road address. Otherwise, please stay tuned for our official unveiling of a PayPal Donate button! We thank you for your patience during this transition.

Passes to the Currier Art Museum in Manchester are a great way to take in some indoor culture in January. You may reserve a pass for an available date, using the library's website or request one in person at the checkout counter.

The Basement Bookstore will be open on Saturday mornings from 10 a.m. to noon during these great winter reading months. We welcomed many happy customers during Santa's visit last month. A pair of grandmothers left with age-appropriate books for a whole group of grandchildren. A sixth-grade teacher bought bags full to give each of his students a special Christmas present. You can buy one book or many. A bag full is \$5 and anything less is priced at your choice of donation. Several thousand books await your visit. Check out this special Brentwood resource, if you haven't already.

We wish our community a safe, happy, and healthy year ahead.

Lenore Smith, for the Friends of the Mary E. Bartlett Library

Grace Ministries classes offer relief from financial stress

Anyone else tired and stressed from the busy holiday season? Grace Ministries has some new offerings in our LIFE Classes, but you can relax...they don't start until Sunday, February 5.

Grace Ministries enjoyed offering Financial Peace, a class structured to help you balance one's finances and get out of debt, during our last session. Our next selections will be on structuring balance within your already filled life. More information will be coming soon, so check the website under classes: www.gracemi.org.

We offer our Sunday morning service at 10 a.m. and our mid-week service on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. Our youth group, One Grace, meets on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. A women's group will be starting back up in January, along with other special events, services, and times, so check back at the website to see times and dates. As always, everyone is welcome.

Many blessings to you and yours for a healthy, happy, and prosperous New Year!

Paula Sargent for Grace Ministries

What happens at town and district meetings and voting days?

The meetings listed on page 1 and repeated in the table below are important. At some meetings, monetary decisions which impact taxes are made by the votes of those present. If you do not participate, you are forfeiting your rights and denying others the benefit of your thoughts.

Taken together, these sessions determine not only what taxes will be, but also set initiatives which will define Brentwood's future character and infrastructure. We say it every year: please be a part of this important process.

Date and Time	Location	Event	What Happens
Tuesday, January 10 6–7 p.m.	Exeter High School	Public Hearing for Cooperative School Bond Issue	Information session. Questions are encouraged and welcomed.
Tuesday, January 10 7– 8 p.m.	Exeter High School	Public Hearing for Cooperative School Budget	Information session. Questions are encouraged and welcomed.
Thursday, February 9 7 p.m.	Exeter High School	Deliberative Session	Budget for Cooperative District is made final in preparation for the ballot vote on March 14. Changes can be made.
Monday, February 13 7 p.m.	Brentwood Town Offices	Public Hearing for Brentwood Town and School Budgets	Information session. Questions are encouraged and welcomed.
Friday, March 10 6 p.m.	Swasey Central School	School District Meeting	Discuss and vote on Swasey budget. Changes can be made.
Tuesday, March 14 8 a.m.–7 p.m.	Brentwood Community Center	Brentwood Town Elections	Voting for various town, Cooperative School District, and Swasey School District positions. Vote on Cooperative School District budget. Vote on all zoning changes.
Saturday, March 18 9 a.m.	Swasey Central School	Town Meeting	Discuss and vote on the various articles of the town warrant. Changes can be made. Swearing in of new town officials.

Three main events at Pilgrim Church in January

Pilgrim United Church of Christ will open its doors once again on Sunday morning, January 15, for its monthly free community breakfast. The breakfast crew will serve up fresh eggs, homemade breads, a huge fruit salad, piping hot coffee, and teas and juices. This breakfast is open to all Brentwood residents, not just church members. The meal is offered free of charge, with a freewill offering from guests only. Come and get it between 8:30 and 9:30 a.m.

On January 8, Epiphany Sunday Worship will commence at 10 a.m., with all welcome, especially families and children. The ceremony commemorates the arrival of the Magi at the birth of Christ. Children will make Star Gifts (each etched with a word to hold in one's heart all year) which will be gifted to the entire congregation.

Living with Loss and Moving Forward, a support group for those experiencing grief, will take place on Friday, January 13 from noon to 1:30 p.m. This informal "come as you are" group, led by Dick Chamberlain and interim pastor, Linda Snyder, is offered to anyone experiencing loss of any kind. All are welcome to come once, or come every time.

Pilgrim United Church of Christ is located at 179 Middle Road.

Sympathy

Deep sympathy and friendship are offered to the family of **Carol C. Cross**, 81, of Old Danville Road, who passed away Thursday, November 24, 2016 at the Rockingham County Nursing Home. Born in Billerica, MA, she was a graduate of Howe High School and the Hampshire Vocational School. For many years she worked for Dr. Kelly Bates as an LPN. She was the wife of the late Irving S. Cross, Jr. She was a former member of Eastern Star and a current member of the Brentwood Seniors.

Sincerest sympathy and friendship are extended to the family of **Elizabeth A. "Betty" Burt**, 90, most recently of South Road, who died December 18, 2016 at Kirkwood Corners Senior Living in Lee. Daughter of William Abbot Burt and Elizabeth Cole Burt, she grew up in Brentwood, attended Kingston Plains School, Brentwood School and Robinson Female Seminary. She became a Registered Nurse with many added degrees, working in nursing and the Public Health fields. She loved music, nature, animals and the arts. She is remembered for her monologues as "The Village Grouch" in several Brentwood Variety Shows in the 1990s. She had a special talent for beautiful whistling, which she shared in the choir at the Pilgrim UCC. Visiting hours will be January 4, 1-2:30 p.m. at Brewitt Funeral Home, Exeter, followed by a memorial service at 2:30.

Sincere sympathy and friendship are extended to the family of **Roger F. Rousseau**, 91, of Prescott Road, who died December 22, 2016 at his home, of the effects of Alzheimer's disease. Born in Berlin, NH, son of Louis S. Rousseau and Delvina Lefebvre Rousseau, he attended Berlin schools and earned a degree in Business from New York University. He worked for 23 years as a marine sales representative for Mobil Oil Corp., covering the New England coast, and for nine years as an Assistant Engineer aboard Navy ships under the Military Sealift Command/Atlantic, with service in the Mediterranean, Indian, Atlantic, and Pacific oceans. After retirement, he enjoyed serving for several years as an informal chef for the UNH crew and their families on the various riverbanks where crew races took place. A private service for the family took place at Brewitt Funeral Home, Exeter.

*They say love beyond the world
cannot be separated by it. Death
cannot kill what never dies.
- William Penn*

New hours for Brentwood Recreation

The Brentwood Recreation Office announces its new hours of operation: Monday-Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Please note that the office will be closed from January 9-12.

Circuit Training

Looking to get a healthy start for the New Year? Join us at the Brentwood Community Center on Wednesdays, from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. for circuit training starting in January. No weights or experience required. The class is run by Arianna Plunkett, a personal trainer for five years and recipient of a bachelor's degree in premedical health sciences from MCPHS in Boston. She is CPR certified and holds an ACE personal training certification. The first circuit training class is free! \$10/drop-ins, or \$40/5 classes.

Ski/Snowboard Club

Dates, prices, destinations are available on Facebook, "Brentwood Ski Club," and on our website. Contact the Recreation Department for more information. Deadline for Cranmore trip (1/7) is Thursday, January 5. Additional trips: Pat's Peak (1/22, deadline 1/17), Gunstock (2/11, deadline 2/7), and King Pine (2/28, deadline 2/21). Thanks to all of our Ski Club Committee members.

Ice Skate Rink

Thank you to our current sponsors Rick Schlager at Blue Water Mortgage, Stratham Tire Telly's Restaurant, Brentwood Fence, Seacoast Mills, and ConvenientMD Urgent Care. Thank you to our Ice Rink Committee members too! Ice should be ready mid-January.

Brentwood Seniors

Our senior luncheon will be held at the community center on Wednesday, January 25, at 11:30 a.m. Important schedule note: there will be no Monday morning social on Monday, January 9.

Youth Volleyball

The Rec Department will be reinstating Youth Volleyball for girls in grades 4 and 5 starting March 8 at the Swasey gymnasium, on Wednesday nights, from 6-7 p.m. The program will run six weeks with the last session on April 12. Visit our website or give us a call to register your children. Fee: \$10/child, \$5/child when you register three or more.

Spring Baseball & Softball Youth Baseball and Softball

Registration will begin on January 16. The deadline for sign-ups will be February 23. Forms will be available at the Recreation

office, on our website, or online. Little League and Babe Ruth registration will be through EJBL and Exeter Babe Ruth (www.leaguelineup.com/ejbb).

Men's 30+ Basketball

Our Men's 30+ Pick-up Basketball program continues through Thursday, February 16th, 7:30-9:00pm, at the YMCA in Exeter. Fee: \$80 or \$10/drop-in.

Youth Field Hockey

Thanks to a grant from USA Field Hockey, the Rec Department will be offering Spring Field Hockey. This program will be designed to demonstrate the fundamentals of the game. Equipment will be provided by Brentwood Rec. Practices will be held at the Brentwood Recreation Complex, once the warmer weather returns (dates TBA). If you would like more information or join this new and growing program, please contact the Recreation Office.

Brentwood Summer Day Camp

The Recreation Department is currently in the process of forming a 7-week 2017 Summer Day Camp for students entering grades 1-7. This camp will be held at the Brentwood Recreation Complex and run Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. with before and after care. Stay tuned for more details.

ONGOING RECREATION EVENTS/ACTIVITIES

Little People Playgroup. Thursday mornings, 9-11am. Located at the Brentwood Community Center, this is a playgroup for young children and their parents.

Adult yoga class. Brentwood Community Center. Tuesday evenings, 6:30-7:45 p.m. Join Cheryl Rossman RYT500, to relax and rejuvenate. \$64/eight week session or \$10/class. www.letsgetmovin.com.

Yoga Movement for Seniors. Free. Brentwood Community Center. 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month at 10 a.m., 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 9 a.m.

Monday Morning Senior Social. Free. Brentwood Community Center, 2nd Monday of each month, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Enjoy board/card games, Wii sports, and socializing with friends. Refreshments will be available. This is a great time to come together and talk about future trips, luncheons, and programs. Remember: No Monday morning social on January 9!

Tang Soo Do Classes. Mondays and Fridays. Brentwood Community Center, 6:30-8 p.m. Classes are taught by Retired Law Enforcement officer Bob Meegan, a 3rd degree Black Belt with the World Tang Soo Do Association.

Want to be a sponsor?

Sponsors help us create and offer affordable, quality programs. If you or your business would like to become a sponsor for the Brentwood Recreation Department, please contact the Recreation Director for more information.

Community Center availability

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

Have a good idea for a new program?

The Recreation Department is always looking for new instructors/programs to implement. If you believe your program/event idea would be beneficial to our community, please, contact the Recreation Department. It is simple to get a program started, all you need to do is let us know!

For information regarding programs, field rentals, or building rentals, please contact the Recreation Office at 642-6400, ext. 20.

David Tovey, Brentwood Recreation Director

Calendar of Events

- Jan. 5 **Cemetery Trustees**, 5 p.m., Town Offices
Planning Board, 7 p.m., Cross Room, Town Offices
- Jan. 7 **Christmas Tree Limo Service**, Boy Scout Troop 322, call P. McElroy, 642-3537
- Jan. 9 **Library Trustees**, 6:30 p.m., Brentwood Library
Friends of the Library, 6:30 p.m., Brentwood Library
School Board, 6:30 p.m., Swasey School Library
- Jan. 10 **Selectmen's meeting**, 6 p.m., Cross Room, Town Offices
- Jan. 11 **Conservation Commission**, 7 p.m., Cross Room, Town Offices
- Jan. 13 **"Living with Loss and Moving Forward,"** 12-1:30 p.m., Pilgrim United Church of Christ, Middle Rd
- Jan. 15 **Community Breakfast**, 8:30-9:30 a.m., Pilgrim Church, Middle Rd. Free, open to the public
- Jan. 16 **SAU Coop District Public Hearing on Budget**, 7 p.m., Exeter High School
- Jan. 17 **Selectmen's meeting**, 6 p.m., Cross Room, Town Offices
Parent-Faculty Group, 6:30 p.m., Swasey School Library
Brentwood Gardeners, 7 p.m., Fellowship Room, Pilgrim Church
- Jan. 19 **Planning Board**, 7 p.m., Cross Room, Town Offices
- Jan. 23 **Budget Committee**, 7 p.m., Cross Room, Town Offices
- Jan. 24 **Selectmen's meeting**, 6 p.m., Cross Room, Town Offices
Recreation Commission, 6:30 p.m., Sanborn Room, Town Offices
- Jan. 25 **Filing period opens for town and school elected positions**, Town Clerk's office, Town Offices
Brentwood Seniors, 11:30 a.m., Community Center
- Jan. 31 **Selectmen's meeting**, 6 p.m., Cross Room, Town Offices
- Feb. 2 **Cemetery Trustees**, 5 p.m., Town Offices
Planning Board, 7 pm, Cross Room, Town Offices
- Feb. 3 **Filing period ends for town and school positions**, 5 p.m., Town Clerk's office, Town Offices
- Feb. 6 **School Board**, 6 p.m., Swasey School Library
Trails Committee, 7 p.m., Town Offices
Last day to submit Warrant Articles-- at Selectmen's office
- Feb. 9 **Coop. School District Deliberative Session** – 7 p.m., Exeter High School

Wednesdays @ One Cinema, Brentwood Library

Jan. 4, 11, 18 and 25

Knitters, Tuesdays 1-3 p.m., Library

Jan. 12 and 26, 7 p.m., Library

Adult Coloring, Thursdays 1-3 p.m., Library

Yoga Movement for Seniors, Free, Community Center

1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month, 10 a.m.

2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month, 9 a.m.

Monday Morning Senior Social, Community Center

2nd Monday each month, 9:30-11:30 a.m.

Brentwood residents and their guests are warmly welcome at all of these events.

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