

Reminders from Town Hall









October 11, 2019

Town News



Municipal Offices

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Monday October 14, 2019

We Want to Hear from You about the Temporary Traffic Calming Treatments



MEDIA ADVISORY

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September 30, 2019Traffic Calming Installation in North Yarmouth

North Yarmouth: On September 24, 2019, staff from the Bicycle and Pedestrian Coalition of Maine (the Coalition), working in partnership with AARP Maine, PACTS, Ransom Engineering, Build Maine, Maine Design Workshop and the Town of North Yarmouth, installed lane delineator "gateways" and crosswalks on Route 115 between the intersections with Route 9 to calm traffic and improve safety for all users.

The Town of North Yarmouth, working with the Maine Design Workshop, has been exploring strategies to slow traffic along Route 115 in the center of town for better than a year. Speeding traffic is seen as an impediment to the establishment of a village context in the town center. North Yarmouth reached out to the Bicycle-Pedestrian Coalition of Maine's "Imagine People Here" program to help plan and install the traffic calming demonstration. Preliminary reports indicate that the treatments significantly slow motor vehicle traffic.

"By creating new crosswalks and adding vertical elements to the crosswalks, the roadway is visually narrowed, which helps to slow motor vehicles. Additional channelizer posts also create "gateways" that help keep vehicle speeds lower," said Coalition Assistant Director Jim Tassé. "The point of these demonstrations is to show that traffic can be calmed and slowed, especially near pedestrian crossings, for a fraction of the cost of installing beacons or resetting curbing."

"North Yarmouth is interested in creating a walkable, vibrant Village Center where people of all ages can be social, live active and mobile lives, and enjoy daily life," says Rosemary Roy, Town Manager.

"We want to attract businesses to come to North Yarmouth to contribute positively to the town, and we see a slower, more traffic calmed Route 115 as a critical component to both economic development and public safety of our residents, seniors and children. This demonstration project is meant to test ideas and encourage community dialogue, to explore ideas and identify solutions. Testing allows for observation of what works, what doesn't work, and problem-solving to make a situation better before investing significant resources in construction of permanent infrastructure, "says Vanessa L. Farr, the Town's Economic Development Consultant with Maine Design Workshop.

Shared lane markings and "Bicycle May Use Full Lane" signs have been added to the roadway at locations where the roadway has been narrowed to encourage bicyclists to use the full lane.

A survey to provide feedback on the demonstrations can be found here: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NorthYarmouthIPH2019

The project is expected to remain in place until approximately November 1, 2019. There will be a Public Forum on November 14, 2019 at 6:30pm and the Wescustogo Hall & Community Center.

Tuesday's installation was the eighth project of the Coalition's "Imagine People Here" program in 2019, which uses low cost materials to demonstrate how simple and cost-effective measures can be taken to improve conditions for persons walking and bicycling.

Similar projects have been installed this summer in Berwick, Brunswick, Rockland. The Imagine People Here Program has also created bikeways this year in Sanford and Rockland.

All Imagine People Here projects are reviewed and approved by local officials and, as needed, the Maine DOT.

To learn more about the coalition's Imagine People Here project please visit www.bikemaine.org

TOP3
REASONS TO
LICENSE YOUR DOG:
1 TO CONTROL/PREVENT
1 THE SPREAD OF RABIES
2 EASY IDENTIFICATION TO RETURN
2 LOST DOGS TO THEIR OWNERS
3 IT'S STATE LAW

There are 3 Easy Ways to register/renew your dog license:

#1: Complete the application <u>HERE</u> & mail the following to the Town Office (10 Village Square Rd., North Yarmouth, ME 04097): your application, payment (checks made payable to the Town of North Yarmouth), and a copy of your dog's rabies certificate. Once it is processed, we will mail the license to you.

#2: Between October 15th and January 31st, you may go online to complete the registration: Online Dog Licensing.

#3: Stop by the Town Office and register your dog in person. Make sure you have a copy of your dog's rabies certificate.



10-15-2019

• 7:00pm Select Board

10-16-2019

• 5:30pm School Fund Committee

10-17-2019

• 6:30pm Economic Development & Sustainability

10-21-2019

• 1:00pm Living Well in North Yarmouth

10-23-2019

• 7:00am Historical Society

10-24-2019

- 6:00pmCelebration of Community for WH & CC
- 7:00pmFriends of Wescustogo





Absentee Ballots are now available! You may request a ballot through the online service below or stop by Town Office to pick your ballots up.
Absentee Voting is available during regular office hours, Monday 8am-6pm and Wednesday thru Thursday 8am-5pm.

- Request Your Absentee Ballot Here!
- Sample Ballots (State Referendum Ballot & Town Ballot for YWD Trustee)
- Voter Registration Information

Absentee Voting will end at 5:00 pm on Thursday, October 31st!

Education Awards for Local Students North Yarmouth School Fund Committee Now Accepting Donations



Educational awards are given to North Yarmouth students enrolled at Greeley High School, private school, or who have graduated from high school within the last six (6) years and are enrolled in a full-time course of higher education. Applicants must currently be a resident of North Yarmouth for one (1) year or more.

The Trustees present awards in June of each year at a regular business meeting of the Select Board. All donations are tax exempt. Click below to donate; you can also drop off a donation at the Town Office or mail directly to NYSF, Town North Yarmouth, 10 Village Square Road, North Yarmouth, ME 04097.









Celebration of Community for Wescustogo Hall & Community Center

Open House & Events Saturday, November 2nd

Saturday, November 2, 2019 Celebration of Community for Wescustogo Hall & Community Center

This will be a day filled with excitement and fun for all ages.

A Ribbon Cutting Ceremony will start the day events at 9:00 am in front of the new Wescustogo Hall & Community Center. The day is jammed full of events, activities, music, and food into the early evening hours. Be sure to logon onto the Town's website www.northyarmouth.org and social media accounts (Facebook, Instagram and Twitter) for more details.

Community News



Mornings With Friends

Wednesday, October 16th @10-11:30am (Tuttle Road United Methodist Church)

Estate Planning



Have questions about wills, trusts, POAs, probate, guardianship, etc? Attorney (and lifelong Cumberland resident) Miles Hunt of *Epstein and O'Donovan, LLP* will cover the basics and answer your questions about estate planning -- just what you need to get started on your own plan!

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<u>Deborah.gray48@gmail.com</u> or AIPCumberland.org AIP: 207-829-2205 For Rides, call 829-3367

Free and Open to the Public Coffee, Tea & Goodies







Beautiful Skyline Farm is the setting for North Yarmouth Historical Society's Soup and Cider Day on Sunday, Oct. 20 from Noon-3 PM.

Come experience fall at its best! Pitch apples into the hopper of our antique cider press, turn the crank, and watch the liquid gold pour away. Plenty of cider for all and a delicious potluck lunch.

Soup & Cider Day is a real community affair and, as always, we're asking for a few good cooks to contribute a crockpot of your best soup or your favorite cornbread or rolls. Every year brings a new culinary delight, thanks to talented and generous local kitchen experts. Please call (207) 846-4379 to let us know what you can bring.

AND ... walk Skyline's trails ... peek into the museum ... pick apples down the road at Hansel's Orchard.

Donations are welcomed. **THANKS to our sponsors: Hansel's Orchard and Thompson's Orchard.** Dress warmly!





Poster Contest 2019-2020

Calling all Greely Middle School (age 11-13) Creative Artists

The Cumberland / North Yarmouth Lions Club is sponsoring Greely Middle School's participation in the Lions International Peace Poster contest.

Lions Clubs International Peace Poster Contest is an international contest that encourages children, ages 11-13, to creatively express what peace means to them. The 2019 -2020 contest theme is "Journey of Peace". The contest allows students to share their unique image of peace with others, so that we may all have greater tolerance and international understanding.

Entries are due by **Friday**, **November 8th**.

Please contact GMS teachers - Mr. Treadwell or Ms. Wood for more details.





Wednesday, October 23, 2019 from 4 to 6pm at the Mabel I. Wilson School



We invite you to attend a GRAND afternoon at MIW to celebrate the special bond between children and grandparents/grand friends. Students in K-3 are encouraged to bring their grandparents / grand friend on a grand tour of their school.



PUMPKINFEST 2019

GHS Gym Thursday, October 24 5:30PM-7:30PM

Admission: \$1.00 per child

Tickets: \$0.50 each

Haunted House, Bouncy House, Slide, Games with Prizes, Face Painting, and Coloring

Pizza, Baked Goods, and Drinks **Proceeds Support the MSAD#51 **Teacher Association & Student** Council Scholarship Fund **















Mable I. Wilson School

353 Guttle Road, Cumberland (DE 04021

(drop-off & library entrance, across from the superintendent's office)

Saturday, October 26

Enjoy between 1-4pm

Children \$5 each, for ages 2-12 (adults are free)

Wear your favorite costume and bring a bag for treats & treasures! Play games, make crafts, hear stories and take pictures with all the fairytale characters, superheroes and friendly creatures along your way! Spread the word and bring your friends!





12th Annual Turkey Trot Thanksgiving Day 5K Thursday, November 28, 2019 8:00 AM Race Start (7:00 AM Race Day Registration)

Bring the family, join your community and friends and walk or run in Greely Hockey's 12th Annual Thanksgiving Day Turkey Trot.

Race time is 8 a.m. (7:00 a.m. race day registration), so there is plenty of time to prepare your feast after the race. You can even win a pie to bring home for dessert.

The race begins at Greely High School and is run on a certified 5K course with CHIP TIMING. 8 years and under are free (not eligible for T-shirt). On-line registration is available at www.running4free.com.

FMI see the Turkey Trot flyer link below, or contact Holly Wallace at Hollywallace22@gmail.com, or Karen Rawnsley at karen_rawnsley@yahoo.com. Walk-in registrations are cash or check only on day of race.