



TOWN OF  
**HENNIKER**, NEW HAMPSHIRE

September 2016

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**COMMERCIAL PROPERTIES**

Building Permits are REQUIRED  
for ANY improvement or  
modification to ALL  
commercial properties.  
Questions? Call 428-3221 ext. 1

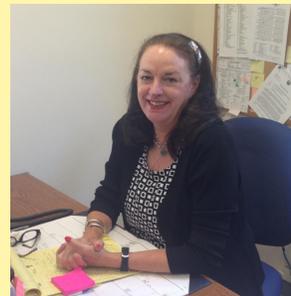
**CELEBRATION OF  
COMMUNITY**

Wednesday, September 7th  
6:30pm  
in the Henniker Community  
School Library.

The Henniker School Board will  
break from their regular meeting  
to honor the many organizations  
and volunteers who made the  
new playground at HCS possible  
during this celebration and  
dessert reception.



**TOWN OF HENNIKER EMPLOYEE**  
TERRI GRIEDER



Terri Grieder has been a part-time Office Assistant at the Police Department since 2013. She was born in Greenville, MS to an Air Force family where she travelled extensively in the military. Terri attended the University of Colorado before joining Delta Air Lines in 1978 as a flight attendant. Over her 34-year career she had been based in Boston, Cincinnati and JFK, flying both domestic and international flights. She married Delta pilot Roy Grieder in 1984. They made their home-base in Henniker in 1997. Terri enjoys gardening and continues to travel internationally. She has been a great asset to the department and keeps a basket of chocolate filled for the officers!

*Thank you Western Ave Pizzeria for sponsoring Henniker Employee Spotlight!*

**COGSWELL SPRING WATERWORKS**

**Water Meters**

We have been reading meters for 4 weeks now and all is going well. We are taking weekly readings to gather as much information as possible to be able to set the base rate for the July 2017 billing cycle. With the system that we have it takes about 2.5 hours to read the 561 meters that are installed.

**Davison Road Storage Tank**

The mixer that was budgeted for this year has been installed and is operating better than we had hoped for. The Mixer is installed inside the water tank and does just what the name implies, it mixes the water in the tank to help insure that all the water in the tank is turned over at the same time.

**Fire Hydrants**

It is almost time to flush the Fire Hydrants again so look for a notice when the date gets closer. We have been trimming the grass around them and lubricating the Fire Hose connections to insure that if they are needed that it will be easier for the fire department to use. Next we will be giving them a fresh coat of paint.

**Chemical Monitoring Program**

We are required by the Department of Environmental Services to

## MUSIC ON MAIN STREET VENDOR REGISTRATION

The form can be found at  
[www.henniker.org](http://www.henniker.org)

## TEEN CENTER

Open every Friday from 7-9 pm starting September 16<sup>th</sup>!  
We welcome all 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> graders to attend with friends and enjoy games, pool, air hockey, music, playing Wii or just hanging out with one another.

The Teen Center has a closed door policy which means once a teen enters they cannot leave without a parent/guardian picking them up. Our closed door policy can be changed with a note signed by a parent/guardian authorizing the child to leave on their own.

Registrations are required for teens to attend the Teen Center for emergency protocols. [Click here](#) for a Teen Center Registration Form.

Volunteers are always needed to help provide a fun, safe place for teens, please contact Shannon Camara at [camaras70@yahoo.com](mailto:camaras70@yahoo.com) to learn more about volunteering.

## TRANSFER STATION HOURS

Summer hours end  
Tuesday, September 6th.

Effective September 7th  
regular hours resume.

Tuesday & Thursday 12:00 -  
5:00

Saturday & Sunday 9:00 - 5:00

## SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

will be in session September 6th  
7:00pm - 7:30pm  
at the Henniker Town Hall.

No addition or correction shall be made to the Checklist after this session until Election Day on September 13th.

sample for certain chemicals every year. This year it was Volatile Organic Compounds, Synthetic Organic Compounds and Nitrates.

## MUSIC ON MAIN STREET

The Spirit of Henniker Organizational Team (S.H.O.T.) is proud to announce the 8th annual "Music on Main Street" event!

**Saturday, October 1st from 9am - 4pm in downtown Henniker.**

Mark your calendars now, and plan to attend this wonderful celebration with something fun for everyone. This year our bands will include local favorites, The Complete Unknowns, The Otherns and Beechwood. Free kids area, great food, crafts and the always exciting Henniker Chamber of Commerce bed race will round out this fun day! This is Fall in New England at its very best. Back by popular demand, is the ping pong drop, be sure to buy your tickets early for a chance to win! To receive the latest updates on future events, simply "Like" the Spirit of Henniker Organizational Team "S.H.O.T." on Facebook.

## What is Bob Garrison a.k.a. Trail Bandit up to?

Bob has been wandering around and locating some of the known sections of the town boundaries and associated monuments.

According to NH State RSA 51 the lines between the towns shall be perambulated, and the marks and bounds renewed, once in every 7 years forever.

Other states have done away with perambulation in this era of GPS and Google Maps, yet New Hampshire has hung onto this tradition.

Bob has walked all town lines, with guidance assistance from his GPS receiver, and has noted that the bounds have not been marked in a long time. He has found bounds that haven't been found in years! In walking the shared line of Henniker and Warner he came across an old boundary sign that had fallen from a tree. Bob designed the white town line sign he is holding in the picture and had several made using a rugged long-lasting construction plastic called Azek.



There is a lot more work to be done to complete the perambulation process, but if you see Bob out wandering please thank him for all that he has done!

## AZALEA PARK RIVERWALK COMMITTEE

### Local boys rescue wagon wheel from the Contoocook River

Trevor and Braden Graeme discovered a large wagon wheel in the Contoocook River at Azalea Park earlier this summer. They brought it to the Henniker Historical Society, which gratefully accepted the wagon wheel to add to the collection of farm implements used in the early history of the town. The museum volunteers will do some research to ascertain the vintage of the wheel, which has wood spokes and a metal rim. Perhaps it was even made in Henniker! Thank you Trevor and Braden for looking out for the park and Henniker's history!!

**SOFTBALL DIRECTOR  
NEEDED  
for the 2017 Season**

The Athletic Committee is in need of a Softball Director. If interested please contact Committee Chair, Kelly Martin [bk1martin@comcast.net](mailto:bk1martin@comcast.net)

**SCRABBLE ANYONE?**

Join the Lunch Bunch!

*sponsored by the  
Community Center Activities  
Committee*

2nd and 4th Wednesdays  
of the month  
at the Community Center  
for Scrabble and conversation.

Bring your own bag lunch to the  
Community Center at 11:30!

For more information call  
MaryEllen at 428-7506.

**CRANEY HILL FIRE TOWER**

Craney Hill Fire Tower will be open to the public once again this Fall. The Craney Hill Fire Tower Association has been opening and restoring the historic tower since 1997 when they rescued it from a proposal to tear it down and put a cell tower in its place.

The tower is open the second and third weekend in October every year. This year those days are Saturday October 8th, and Sunday October 9th, as well as Saturday October 15th, and Sunday October 16th. The tower will be open from 10am till 4pm on these 4 days and there will be a volunteer in the tower to answer any questions and help point out interesting nearby viewings.

The Craney Hill Fire Tower is owned by the Town of Henniker and managed and restored by volunteers and generous private donations. The tower was originally a state run forest fire lookout and used actively from 1938 to 1980 when it was given to the Town of Henniker.

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

There are various Town

Sachie Howard, a member of the Azalea Park Riverwalk Committee, has been focused on writing a grant application for the ARM Fund (Aquatic Resource Mitigation). The grant will be directed toward stormwater management in the upper area of the park near the Henniker Community School and the Tucker Library.



The monies received from this grant, if successful, will help pay for materials and the construction of two tree filters and two rain gardens, which will help filter stormwater as it runs down from Western Avenue into the park's wetlands, and eventually, the Contoocook River. Now that the level of the Contoocook River is extremely low, you can actually see the sand, salt and debris that runs into the river at the base of the path into the park. The Board of Selectmen, The Henniker Community School Board, Tucker Library and the Henniker Conservation Commission are all in support of this project. Managing the stormwater run-off will mark visible progress in our efforts to restore the wetlands and the park. Thank you Sachie for your dedicated work!!

**MISSING!**

The Azalea Park Riverwalk Committee is searching for the wrought iron entry arch that welcomed all to the park. The original arch was dated 1902 and was inscribed "Emerson Park." We hope that it is resting in someone's barn-long forgotten! If anyone has information regarding the arch, please contact us at 603-995-4160.



Published by F. L. Chase Entrance to Emerson Park, Henniker, N. H.

*Postcard courtesy of the Henniker Historical Society*



**WHITE BIRCH CENTER**

White Birch Center of Henniker is eager to share some news about recent changes - inside & out. Program participants and visitors have seen bright, freshly painted classrooms, new flooring and carpeting, landscaped grounds, and of course, the new White Birch bus coming and going.

Strategic planning goals and community feedback have guided White Birch in embracing its core competencies in Early Learning, Extended Education, and Active Living while redefining the Center's vision, mission, and logo. These changes are all part of an ongoing commitment to shaping future generations, improving and extending quality of life, and strengthening families.

The mission of White Birch Center is to be a community leader in providing exceptional programs and services that support learning and active living for children, adults, and families. Check out the Center's

Committees that are in need of volunteers, such as the Athletic, Concert, Community Activities, Conservation and Historic District Committees.

If you are interested in volunteering please email [secretary@henniker.org](mailto:secretary@henniker.org)

### NEED HELP WITH YOUR FUEL OR ELECTRIC BILL?

If your household is INCOME ELIGIBLE Community Action Program may be able to help.

Call 456-2207 to schedule an appointment.

### HENNIKER ROTARY CLUB



Win this beautiful handmade Native American quilt. Made at Pine Ridge Reservation with some of the fabric collected by the Henniker Rotary Club.

Raffle tickets  
\$5.00 each or 3 for \$10.00.

The drawing will be held on December 8<sup>th</sup> at the Rotary Meeting. Buy yours tickets from a Rotarian or at Music on Main Street October 1st.

*Proceeds benefit Pine Ridge Reservation.*

### COOKING MATTERS for Adults

*A free cooking and nutrition series program offered by UNH Cooperative Extension and the NH Food Bank*

*Classes include:*  
Hands-on learning by cooking a

brand new website at [www.whitebirchcc.org](http://www.whitebirchcc.org) to learn more about WBC and how you can be a part of the vision to enrich life and strengthen community!

### TUCKER FREE LIBRARY

Preschool Story Time kicks off on September 7<sup>th</sup>. Join us on Wednesday mornings at 10:30am for stories, songs, and crafts. Themes for September include Calling All Colors, Nothing But Numbers, Fall for the Season, and Seeds Go Sailing!

Sundays at the Library series begins with a visit from Storyteller Simon Brooks. Bring your entire family to here tales of adventure, love, long journeys, and dragons from all over the world! September 25<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm.

Henniker kids read over 1600 books this summer! Thanks for another great summer!



### HENNIKER CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Once again, jazz great Delfeayo Marsalis will return to Henniker this fall for three sessions! Starting in Laconia on September 30, Delfeayo will be playing with the Tall Granite Big Band (of which Rev. Dr. Bob Maccini is a founding member) at Pitman's Freight Room in Laconia on Friday evening, September 30. On Saturday evening, October 1, he'll be doing his annual fund raising show at the Congregational Church of Henniker, sponsored by the Henniker Peace Committee and then, as has become tradition, he'll sit in with The Prodigals on Sunday morning for a jazz worship service.



Delfeayo, son of jazz pianist Ellis Marsalis, younger brother of jazz trumpeter Wynton and saxophonist Brandon, and older brother of drummer/vibraphonist Jason, has been traveling to Henniker in the fall for several years. What started as just a fund raising event for

his "Cool School" in New Orleans has become a pretty big deal for our little town. We're looking forward to this exciting weekend. Come out to hear one of the great jazz musicians.

**Food for Friends** is our outreach program to help feed local schoolchildren. Starting in mid-September, a backpack of food for the weekend is sent home to families requesting help. About 25 families in Henniker receive this aid, and we support the summer school program which feeds children breakfast and lunch. For \$50 you can sponsor a child for the entire school year (or \$25 per half-year). Call Deb Dow at 428-3114 to donate.



**New Tai Chi Class**  
Wednesdays, 6:00-7:00  
Parish Hall main floor  
Instructor: Jim Broas

### HENNIKER COMMUNITY SCHOOL

meal and sitting down to eat together

A bag of free groceries each week with recipe ingredients for you to duplicate meals at home

Resources on stretching food money and maximizing your resources

Tuesdays - 12:00-2:00 pm  
September 13, 20, 27, October 4, 11 and 18  
The Congregational Church of Henniker

To register: Call Carol at 428-8369 or email [caseworker@henniker.org](mailto:caseworker@henniker.org)

## SEPTEMBER SCHOOL EVENTS

**Henniker Community School**  
9/5 NO SCHOOL - Labor Day

9/7 School Board Meeting, 6:15pm, School Library. 6:30pm - Celebration of Community as the many organizations and volunteers who helped make the new playground possible will be honored at a dessert reception.

9/9 School Picture Day

9/13 PTA Meeting, 7pm, School Library.

9/14 Open House, 6:30-7:30pm. 5:30pm - pizza social in the Café sponsored by the PTA. Classrooms will be open from 6:00-7:00pm

### John Stark Regional High School

9/5 NO SCHOOL - Labor Day

9/12 School Picture Day

9/14 Principal's Coffee, 7:30am, Principal's Office. Come meet other JSRHS parents and hear what's new directly from Principal Corkery. This informal coffee is a great time to ask questions.

9/14 School Board Meeting, 6:30pm, School Library.

9/20 College Fair - Students will have the opportunity to meet with over 40 colleges during

welcomes Shyla Boisvert as the 7/8th-grade Social Studies teacher for the 2016-17 school year.

Ms. Boisvert earned both her Bachelor's and Master's degrees from Southern New Hampshire University and lives in Pembroke with her husband and three children. She joins HCS from the Merrimack High School.



## JOHN STARK REGIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

**Welcomes eleven new teachers for the 2016-17 school year**

**Matt Caputo** and **Shawn Lyons** have joined the Math Department. Mr. Caputo earned a Bachelor's in Mathematics from Keene State College and taught for three years in Barre, VT, before returning to his native New Hampshire. Shawn Lyons earned his bachelor's in Mathematics from UNH and is also a graduate of John Stark. He returns to JSRHS after teaching in Gilford.

**Eddie Marceau** joins the high school as a Social Studies teacher. He holds a Bachelor's Degree in History from Keene State College and a Master's of Education with Special Education Concentration from New England College. A New Hampshire native, he comes to John Stark from the Making Community Connections Charter School.

**Kevin McGinty** will be teaching Physical Science. A graduate of the University of Northern Colorado, he comes to John Stark from the Sanborn Regional High School after teaching for several years at schools in Colorado.

**Jennifer Gerini-Zipper** joins the school as a reading and writing instructor. She is from New Hampshire and is a graduate of Plymouth State University. She taught English for the past seven years at the Newport Middle School.

**Jannie Farrar** is the comprehensive business teacher. A graduate of Rivier College with a Master's Degree in Education from the University of New England, Ms. Farrar is a New Hampshire native and has taught in schools in Seabrook, Londonderry and Hesser College. She has come to John Stark after most recently teaching business at the Huot Technical Center in Laconia.

Joining the Physical Education Department is **Kristen Hrubowchak**. She will teach PE and health. A New Hampshire native, Ms. Hrubowchak is a graduate of Plymouth State College.

**Amanda Chase** is the School to Career Coordinator. She earned a Bachelor's Degree from the University of Vermont and a Master's Degree in Psychology from Utah State University. She was the School to Career Coordinator at the Kearsarge Regional High School for the past 17 years.

**Kristen Bean Warren** joins the Special Education Department. She is a graduate of Franklin Pierce University (Environmental Science) and completed the Teacher Education Conversion Program at the New Hampshire Technical Institute.

The World Language Department welcomes two part-time language teachers. **June Rolon** will teach French and **Ivy Levine** will teach Spanish. Ms. Rolon is a graduate of UNH and has a long career in teaching French. Ms. Levine is also a graduate of UNH and holds a master's degree from Leslie College. She has taught Spanish for more than 25 years in Manchester schools.

scheduled times. Colleges attending include: Lesley University, Manchester Community College, Colby-Sawyer College, Keene State College, and Becker College.

9/22 Open House, 6:00-9:00pm, school-wide.

6:00pm - presentation in the Cafe for freshmen parents and information for parents of seniors in the library.

7:00-9:00pm, parents will have the opportunity to follow their student's class schedule and meet their teachers.

9/29 College Overview Night 6:30pm in the Cafeteria. This is for seniors and their parents, however, juniors and their parents are also encouraged to attend. This presentation provides information about the college admission process and covers topics such as the qualifications colleges are looking for, application components, college essay pointers, the application timeline, and basic financial aid overview.

### SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

Nick's Other Band closed out the Henniker Summer Concert Series with over 350 in attendance!



Great weather every Tuesday night (except 1) brought out record crowds to the 2016 Summer Concert Series. It was not unusual for 300 or more folks to spend their Tuesday evenings in Community Park listening to an incredible line-up of musicians from near and far perform at the Angela Robinson Bandstand.

The concerts attract locals, young and old, vacationers and friends from neighboring towns. It is a great way to celebrate our community and its friendly and welcoming nature. The Concert Committee is collecting comments and end of summer surveys and will use these to



Front Row: June Rolon, Matt Caputo, Ivy Levine  
Middle Row: Jennifer Gerini-Zipper, Shawn Lyons, Jannie Farrar  
Back Row: Kristen Hrubowchak, Kevin McGinty, Kristen Bean Warren, Eddie Marceau  
Missing from photo: Amanda Chase  
photo credit, Emma Fredericks Photography

### HENNIKER ROTARY CLUB - Chili Fest

Thank you to all who helped make the 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Henniker Rotary Club *Fire on the Mountain Chili Fest* at Pats Peak a great success. The event was held on Sunday, August 21<sup>st</sup> and the weather was beautiful. Patrons loved the outdoor layout and took advantage of the opportunity to taste the variety of chilis in any order they pleased.

A record-setting forty-three Chili Makers competed to be the top chili maker in one of three categories; professional, amateur, and Rotary Club only. Judges Nicole Barreira, Executive Chef, Cactus Jacks/TBones, Rick Broussard, Editor, NH Magazine and Chef Allen Zick, Common Man Family of Restaurants, had the yeoman's job of blind tasting all the chilis and determining the judge's winners. Also up for grabs was the People's Choice Awards as voted on by all of the attendees.

Also at this year's event was a wonderful mix of vendors selling jewelry, spices, clothing, recycled yard art, strawberry shortcake, ice cream, BBQ chicken, roasted corn, and beer. The KidZone was full of craft activities and interactive attractions as well as face painting. The McMurphy's played continuously throughout the afternoon and Master of Ceremonies Mike Morin kept the crowd entertained and updated all day long.

Money raised at Chili Fest provides scholarships to high school students, supports food pantries, sends kids to summer camp, offers grants to area non-profits and supports regional and international service and humanitarian projects such as eradicating polio and making safe drinking water available in water-scarce countries. 2016 winners are listed on our website [www.chilinewhampshire.org](http://www.chilinewhampshire.org).

Finally, we are grateful to our Lead Sponsors: TD Bank, Edmunds ACE Hardware, Grappone Automotive, New England College, Henniker Veterinary Hospital, Davis & Towle Insurance and Ayer and Goss Fuels, as well as community sponsors: Advanced Benefit Design, Ameriprise, Henniker Farm & Country Store, Henniker Pharmacy, TDS Telecom, Morse Sporting Goods, Scott Lawson Group, White Birch Community Center and our media partners, Granite Quill Publishers, Lakeside Design and 102.3 The River and especially Pats Peak for partnering with us.

begin planning next summer's performance schedule. If you didn't fill out a survey yet [click here!](#)

Thanks to all for coming out and helping to make this a fabulous season!

### TOWN WEBSITE

Stay informed daily!  
[www.henniker.org](http://www.henniker.org)

[Join Our Mailing List!](#)

**Visit us next year on  
Sunday, August 20<sup>th</sup> for the  
15<sup>th</sup> Annual Henniker Rotary  
Club *Fire on the Mountain Chili  
Fest.***

Marc McMurphy, President  
2016 Chili Chair  
Henniker Rotary Club



### KINDNESS WEEK

On August 5, 2016 preschoolers from White Birch Center paid a very special visit to the Henniker Fire Department. In celebration of "Kindness Week," the 3-year-olds and their teachers baked dozens of cookies and designed hand-made Thank You cards to present to local Firefighters.



The class took a walk over to the station to meet Captain Mick Costello and Firefighter & Medic, Steve Meade.

The sentiments and appreciation were well-received and the children enjoyed talking with the firefighters and getting up close to the fire engines. Visiting the fire station was one part of the children's experience in exploring kindness and community. Other activities for the week included bringing flowers and artwork to the White Birch Active Living program, crafting a blanket donated to a local hospital, and filling each other's class folders with kind messages from classmates and staff. Lead Teacher, Emily Peters, explained "We planned our curriculum this week around the Kindness theme because social development is an important part of early learning and life skills; we've all enjoyed it so much."

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