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A great time was had by all at the first event held on the Salem Bike-Ped Corridor on Sunday, August 13th. Over 50 people gathered to walk, ride, bike, or stroll along the newly-completed 1-mile trail segment running from Old Rockingham Road to Range Road. Canobie Lake Park was present, including their parrot mascot. Participants were able to spin the prize wheel to win free and discounted tickets to the park.

In celebration of the trail's railroad heritage, the event had a train theme. Wooden train whistles were handed out, and participants were encouraged to dress up in railroad-themed costumes.



Salem Government Channel participated in the Bike-Ped Corridor event as well. After people walked, rode bikes, and skated their way to the end of the trail, they were treated with ribbons for participation and water for the trip back to the starting line. Our interim

Town Manager, Chris Dillon, addressed the crowd about the event.

Dave Topham from the Friends of Salem Bike-Ped Corridor did a great job of narrating all three of the landmarks that highlight the Salem rail trail. He talked about the cow tunnel, the half way point of Concord to Boston, and the Canobie Lake Train station.



Conservation Commission member Linda Harvey talked about the all-important parking information. There is a new parking lot just north of the Range Road intersection for everyone's convenience.

This show will air soon on SGC 23.



SEPTEMBER 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30

Schedule of Meetings

- } August 21 — Board of Selectmen, 7 PM
- } August 22 — Planning Board, 7 PM
- } August 28 — Board of Selectmen, 7 PM
- } September 5 — Zoning Board, 7 PM
- } September 6 — Conservation Commission, 7 PM
- } September 11 — Board of Selectmen, 7 PM
- } September 12 — Planning Board, 7 PM
- } September 18 — Board of Selectmen, 7 PM
- } September 25 — Board of Selectmen, 7 PM
- } September 26 — Planning Board, 7 PM

Planning Board Review



The Planning Board is reviewing a site plan for 18 units of senior housing (age 55 and older) at the Donigian Farm on Pelham Road. These will be detached single family dwellings serviced by common septic systems and wells and a private road.

Community Services

Senior Division:

- Senior Services will be closed September 7th. We will be celebrating our 176 volunteers. Our event will take place at the center from 11am-3pm, lunch and entertainment provided.
- On August 16th the senior center held its first Diabetes Education Boot camp. The American Diabetes Association and CVS Health held a half day event designed to help senior citizens learn more about diabetes self-management while offering additional diabetes resources.
- It's time to sign up for our end of season Golf tournaments. Atkinson tournament is September 12th, \$22 includes golf and prizes limit 60 people, shot gun start. The Windham tournament is on September 20th with golf, meal, prizes and cart included for \$40. Info at the center.



Finance

Departmental budget submissions were due to the Finance Department on Friday, August 18th. The Finance Department will compile all of the requests and eventually submit the first copy of the budget to the Interim Town Manager. From there the Interim Town Manager, Finance Director, and Accounting and Budget Manager will meet with all department heads and review each departmental budget. From there the Interim Town Manager will begin to make any adjustments he sees necessary and present his budget to the Board of Selectmen.

The Finance Department is hard at work processing payroll, paying vendor invoices, answering utility billing questions, ensuring departmental purchases comply with the town's purchasing and procurement policy, and providing support for all departments in town.

Recreation Division:

- The Rock N' Summer Fun and Archery in Motion programs ended on Friday, August 11th.
- The "All Aboard!" Salem Bike-Ped Corridor Event took place on Sunday, August 13th with 50+ participants celebrating the completion of Phase I of the rail trail project. Special thanks to all the volunteers and participants!
- The Tennis Lessons program held a Tennis Games and Singles/Doubles Tournament on Monday, August 14th at the courts located at Michelle Memorial Park.
- The Adventure Camp concluded on Tuesday, August 15th with an all day deep sea fishing trip out of Seabrook, NH.
- The Fall Brochure will be out in early September.
- Hedgehog Park will remain guarded until August 27th.

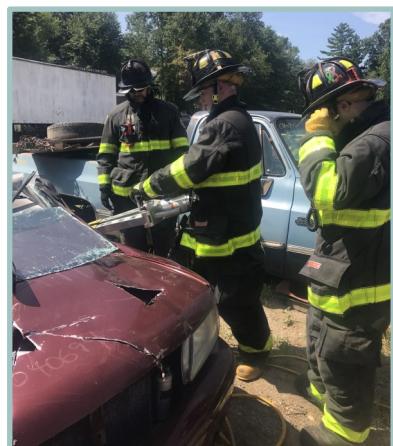


Salem Fire Department



Fire Department Conducts Extrication Training

The Salem Fire Department is conducting extrication training during the month of August. This training was conducted at Bruce's Garage on Wheeler Avenue. In order to stay proficient with these tools, it is important to practice with them often. In these pictures, you can see firefighters using pneumatic air bags; cribbing; hydraulic cutting, spreading, and ram tools, and an electric sawz-all. These tools are all carried on Squad 1, our heavy rescue unit. We need all of these tools to remove the vehicle away from the patient prior to extricating the victim from being entrapped. We would like to send out a huge thank you to Bruce's Garage for allowing us to train at their facility on a regular basis!



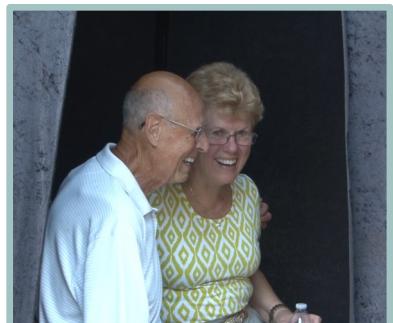
Salem Police Department



National Night Out

The Salem Police Department was on full display at this year's National Night Out. There were many aspects of the night including: "Taser, Taser, Taser" of the new officers, impressive canine demonstrations, dunk-a-cop, photo booth, food and more. SGC 23 talked with new Community Affairs Officer Michael McCarthy and said goodbye to Officer Matt Norcross and wish them both well in their new roles.

This show is playing on SGC 23 and can also be viewed with this [link](#).



SALEM MUNICIPAL SERVICES

Roy E. Sorenson - *Director*

ENGINEERING DIVISION

2017 Road Program work is ongoing. Final cleanup and wearing course paving remains on Haverhill Road, Klein Drive, Commercial Drive, and Stanley Brook Drive. Work on Parker Circle will begin soon. Demolition of the former Waste Water Treatment Facility on SARD Drive is ongoing. New 12" ductile iron water main is being installed on South Broadway north and south of the Post Office. Construction on the first 50-acres of the Tuscan Village project continues, with current focus on roadways, utilities, drainage, and building foundations. Wood framing for the Luxury Condos will start soon; it'll be exciting to see the first structures on the site take shape.



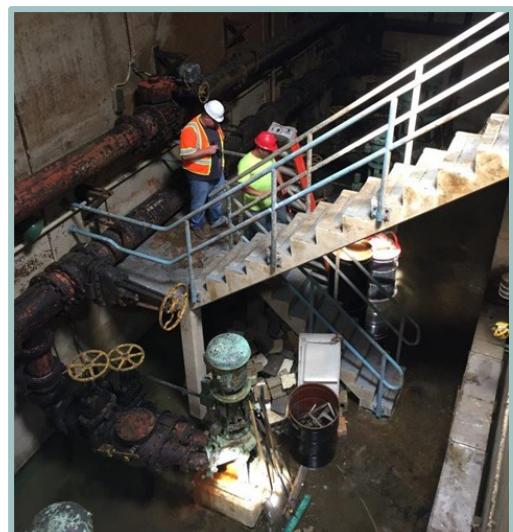
PUBLIC WORKS DIVISION



Catch basin season has arrived as the cleaning of the sumps has begun on main roads and crews have been dispersed repairing failed covers and structures. A major repair was done on Dyson Ave where both the drain pipe and structure had failed. Staff has repaired over 15 structures during the past two weeks. Line painting has been underway along with street sweeping that just wrapped up both of which took longer this year due to staffing issues. Grass mowing, weeding, and trimming is ongoing throughout the town including the cemeteries. Mill and Overlay has started up again with the milling of Salem Street. The remaining streets will be done over the coming weeks. Fleet has been busy with ongoing maintenance repairs on seasonal equipment such as the mowers and sweepers. Street staff has helped with some items in house to avoid delays as most equipment repair/maintenance has been contracted out due to staffing.

UTILITIES DIVISION

The basement of the old Wastewater Treatment Plant has been de-watered with the removal of over 200,000 gallons of contaminated water that has been in the basement since the plant was decommissioned about 30 years ago. The water contained levels of PCB above standards and was treated using carbon filters along with frac tanks. It was quite a sight to see the pumps and equipment that have been under water for all those years. Canobie Lake is at 218.69' as the end of August approaches and water demand has been consistent at the 3 MGD mark. JP Cardillo has completed most of the water main work for various projects with final trench patching expected by September. All trenches to date have been temporary paved on the roads that have already been completed. Ongoing maintenance and general operations of the sewer and water systems have continued to date with no major issues. Staff has assisted with the water main work along Broadway by the Tuscan Project.





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**A couple of enthusiastic participants in the “All Aboard!” event on
Salem Bike-Ped Corridor**