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## Arlington Pond Drawdown Begins

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It's October and that means that Arlington Pond is in the midst of its annual drawdown. Utilities Manager Fred Wallace is on the switch to adjust lake levels at Arlington Pond.



Big Island Pond flows from Derry into Arlington Pond which makes for an active drawdown season that requires coordination between both towns. The Utilities Division finds the perfect balance of drawing down Arlington Pond while keeping river flow levels safe.

Fred tells us that Canobie Lake drinking water is at a higher grade, Class A, than Arlington Pond, Class B, but both are equally safe and good to drink. Arlington Pond is a Class B due, in part, to its recreation status.

Fred also talked about the job of the flashboards, water levels, and how the Regional Water Line will affect the town. We see some great footage of the 2006 flood



and hear an amusing anecdote about how Fred got the job of watching the dam during a high water event. Fred also talks about cameras that have been installed on the gate house, pump station and the dam that help ensure safety of the dam and the members of this community.

You can watch Arlington Pond Drawdown on SGC 23 and with this [link](#).



## NOVEMBER 2019

Sun	Mo	Tue	We	Thu	Fri	Sat
	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

- } October 30— Budget Committee, 7 PM
- } November 4— Board of Selectmen, 7 PM
- } November 5— Zoning Board of Adjustment, 7 PM
- } November 6— Conservation Commission, 7 PM
- } November 6— Budget Committee, 7 PM  
(High School Media Center)
- } November 7— Budget Committee, 7 PM
- } November 12— Planning Board, 7 PM
- } November 13— Budget Committee, 7 PM
- } November 18— Board of Selectmen, 7 PM
- } November 20— Budget Committee, 7 PM
- } November 26— Planning Board, 7 PM

## Police and Fire Blood Drive

Please click [here](#) to  
schedule an appointment  
to donate blood!



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### Blood Drive SALEM PD VS. SALEM FD

Ingram Senior Center  
1 Sally Sweets Way  
Salem, NH 03079

**Friday, November 8, 2019  
1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.**

To schedule an appointment, please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767)  
or visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) and enter sponsor code SALEMCOMMUNITY



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# Municipal Services— Public Works

## Transfer Station Scale House

The DPW moved a bit closer to the new scale house road becoming a reality this past week. We received delivery of and installed the new scale house. The new space will have adequate heat and air conditioning, as well as a bathroom for our attendant!!! The new and improved upgrades to this work space are very exciting and much appreciated. Stay tuned as this project progresses.



## School Zone

The DPW has been working in cooperation with the Salem School District in installing new solar operated School Zone warning flashing signals for the reopening of the Haigh School. It's been some time since this school was closed so please recognize the new drop off and pick up times with the kids' safety in mind.



# Planning



The Town of Salem participates in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP) and must continue to meet minimum requirements in order to remain in good standing in the program. Those minimum requirements include:

- Adoption of floodplain management regulations that meet or exceed NFIP standards
- Enforcement of those regulations through a local permitting process which ensures that:
  - \* a permit is issued for any proposed development activity in a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)-designated Special Flood Hazard Area (SFHA). "Development" includes new or improved buildings and any other man-made change such as fill placement, excavation, etc.
  - \* once a permit is issued, any development performed in the SFHA meets the applicable construction, documentation, and certification requirements in the Town's floodplain management regulations.

Salem has been an NFIP-participating community since 6/15/1979.



Flood insurance through the NFIP is made available for purchase to all residents and businesses. By ensuring proper implementation of our floodplain management regulations we are helping to minimize future flood damage in Salem and keep insurance rates affordable for property owners.

When a structure built in an SFHA does not comply with our floodplain management regulations, the insurance rates will be higher than if it was built in compliance.

You can find more information about the NFIP and its requirements through the NH Office of Strategic Initiative [website](#) which includes many resources such as the recently revised state model floodplain management ordinance, FEMA technical bulletins, and other educational materials.



## Municipal Services— Engineering

### SALEM CARES ABOUT CLEAN WATER BODIES

Salem cares about clean water and is doing its part to help prevent pollution in local water bodies. As part of Salem's Stormwater Management Program, the Town has launched a Public Education and Outreach campaign. The Municipal Services Department will periodically post messages related to stormwater management, common stormwater pollutants, and best practices for pollution prevention. Please take some time to explore the Public Education and Outreach section of the Town's [Stormwater Webpage](#) to learn more about what you can do to help protect our valuable water bodies and natural resources.

This time of year many of us enjoy seeing the beautiful colors of autumn leaves before they fall to the ground. As you tackle the tasks of raking leaves and maintaining yards, consider how leaves and yard waste can impact local water bodies and wetlands. Leaves and grass clippings can be a valuable resource OR a source of water pollution. Learn more about leaf and yard waste handling, including how to properly dispose of it [here](#).





# Police Department

## Coffee with a Cop

It's been a busy yet fun-filled couple of weeks for your Salem Police Department! We certainly enjoyed ourselves at one of our Coffee With a Cop events at the Senior Center. We shared a lot of laughs and a lot of stories with the lovely people who attended!



## Happy Birthday, Aiden!

They say you can never have too much fun, and they are right! That's why we couldn't miss Aiden's birthday party! Aiden is a boy in a neighboring town who just LOVES Police and Police dogs, (mostly the dogs, no hard feelings there). So, we showed him some neighborly love and brought 2 of our 3 K-9s to go see him with some Salem PD presents!



## Harvestfest

We also had a great time at Harvestfest at Mary Queen of Peace where we were able to indulge in taste testing around 30 different chilis. They were all so delicious, some of us almost went back for seconds and thirds!





# Community Services



The Community Service Department activities recently included a Girl Scout volunteers clean up effort at Hedgehog Park and two partnership programs with the Intergenerational Collaborative of Salem.



## Hedgehog Park Clean-up

Girl Scout Troop 11073 completed a clean up project on October 19<sup>th</sup> at Hedgehog Park. This volunteer effort will help these scouts earn their Silver Award.



## Bridges Reading Program

Intergenerational Collaborative of Salem also sent senior volunteers to the Boys and Girls Club starting the 6 week Bridges Reading program.



## Trick-or-Treat!

Halloween Trick-or-Treat hours are scheduled for Thursday, October 31, 2019 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Have fun and be safe!



## Harvestfest

The Intergenerational Collaborative of Salem offered free pumpkin painting at the Harvest Fest Sunday for Saints Mary and Joseph. A special thank you to Avedisian and Fresh Water Farms for pumpkin donations.



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## Salem's Annual

## Household Hazardous Waste Day!!

**NOVEMBER 9, 2019\*\*\*\*SATURDAY, 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM**

**COLLECTION SITE: 21 Cross St., DPW Garage, Parking Lot**

Do you have chemical products in your home for the kitchen, bathroom, motor vehicles or lawn and garden? These products maybe **HAZARDOUS** because they contain chemicals that are corrosive, explosive, reactive, flammable or toxic

Chemicals to be collected include: Ammonia, antifreeze, arts & crafts supplies, batteries, bleach, creosote, drain cleaners, engine & radiator flushes, floor cleaners, herbicides, metal polish, muriatic acid, moth balls, **oil based paint**, oven cleaners, paint thinner, pesticides, photo chemicals, pool chemicals, rodent killers, rust preventatives, solvents, sealants, transmission fluid and wood strippers/preservatives.

**Unacceptable Chemicals include:** LATEX paints, radioactive waste, including smoke detectors, explosives, pressurized fire extinguishers and unknown gas cylinders.

**Take pride in your community – this is a day for residents to rid their households of potential environmental hazards.**