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Salem Fire Department Holds Swearing-in and Pinning Ceremony

Salem Fire Department held their Swearing-in & Pinning Ceremony on Friday, April 12th. Salem Government Channel was there to cover the event. Administrative Assistant and Justice of the Peace, Betty Oldeman, performed the ceremony. It started with New Dispatcher Caitlin Breen who stood proud as her father Chief Kevin Breen did the official pinning. The list included 2 new firefighters, Stevens & Tapley and promotions for EMS Director Devine, Asst. Chief Emanuelson and Fire Chief Larry Best. Chief Best thanked the community and audience for their support and talked about the importance of the Salem Fire Department. He also spoke about keeping balance in your life and to appreciate the people that support you.

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



MAY 2019

Sun	Mo	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	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	31	

Schedule of Meetings

- } April 23— Planning Board, 7 PM
- } May 1— Conservation Commission, 7 PM
- } May 6— Board of Selectmen, 7 PM
- } May 7— Zoning Board of Adjustment, 7 PM
- } May 8— Budget Committee, 7 PM
- } May 14— Planning Board, 7 PM
- } May 20— Board of Selectmen, 7 PM
- } May 21— Planning Board (Tuscan Village), 7 PM
- } May 28— Planning Board, 7 PM

Planning Board



The latest projects at Tuscan Village include a new 5,000 sq. ft. 120 seat restaurant called Pressed Cafe proposed along Mall Road and a 112,000 sq. ft. state-of-the-art medical office building with urgent care, radiology and lab, clinical space, and retail support services along Rockingham Park Blvd.

Finance

- The Town has changed the way we process our utility bills. Coming soon, the utility bills will come in a standard envelope. The design of the bills will be the same.
- The utility billing division of Finance is working with Ti-Sales to implement WaterSmart. WaterSmart is a cloud based platform that allows customers to see their billing and usage data. When viewing their usage they can add a layer on the graph to get the temperature and precipitation data for the time frame they are reviewing. Customers will be able to sign up with through WaterSmart to receive alerts for various scenarios such as a leak alert, if their usage is trending X% higher than their normal usage, bill forecasts (for example your bill is on track to be \$30 higher than usual). This process will likely take several months to implement prior to going live. This platform is not available yet.

- This is a reminder than annual Demand and Benefit Assessment bills (DBA) will be billed soon and may already be in the mail by the time this newsletter is published.
- Did you know that you can pay your Utility bill online? Simply go to the Town's website and pay through our website. The online bill processing vendor we use is Invoice Cloud. If you ever have any questions about paying your bill online feel free to contact the Utility Billing Division at 603-890-2042 or 603-890-2047.
- Please check the Town's website to see all of the Town's bid opportunities. We are frequently updating the [website](#) with new items.
- 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 to all departments in town.

Spring Cleanups



The annual Salem Bike-Ped Corridor Spring cleanup has been scheduled for Saturday, April 27th, weather permitting. Members of the Friends of the Salem Bike-Ped Corridor and volunteers will meet at the Trail Parking Lot on Route 28 at the Salem / Windham line at 9 AM. The cleanup will be done in two phases starting at the parking lot and running south to Main Street at Tuscan Kitchen.

FSBPC welcomes anyone interested in helping with the cleanup of the gardens, trash pickup and small branches. The cleanup should last about 3 hours. Others are invited to come for shorter hours if they wish. Water, gloves, trash bags and some tools are provided. Extra grass rakes, clippers and pruning shears are welcome.

Anyone interested in helping can reach out to Larry Belair at lbelair@comcast.net or (603) 560-7500. Volunteers can also just show up, ready to help.



NATIONAL TRAILS DAY

SALEM TOWN FOREST

TRAILS CLEANUP

WHEN: SATURDAY

JUNE 1st, 2019

TIME: 9am - 12pm

TASKS: TRAIL CLEANUP

BRUSH/TREE TRIMMING

TRASH PICKUP

ITEMS TO BRING: GLOVES, LOPPERS, BOW SAWS




Community Services

Community Services has been hard at work keeping all ages active and engaged.



In the month of March an average of 977 seniors per week have been busy at the Ingram Senior Center exercising, playing cards, pool, ping pong and bingo, crafting and learning all while waiting for their snowbird friends to return

to the North. On Monday, 54 seniors went to Foxwoods to try their hand at lady luck. All four of our newly advertised trips have sold out bus 1 and some have sold out bus 2. Our newly revamped senior prom with Salem High School's HOSA Club will be a 50's Sock Hop and also sold out in the first week. Golfers, walkers, horseshoe, tennis, pickleball and softball players are all chomping at the bit to get going. We can't wait until it gets busy around here!

Salem's oldest resident on record and Boston Post Cane holder Victoria Bezuka passed away on April 7th at the age of 104. This prompted us to take a look at the statistics of some of our most seasoned citizens. We currently have 331 seniors over the age of 90, 13 of whom are over the age of 100. While not all are active at the senior center, one who is 102 years old still goes on the monthly Foxwoods trips.

In 2018 we had 208 new people join the senior center, 133 were female and 75 were male. Of those who joined, 81 were in their 60's, 88 in their 70's, 37 in their 80's and 2 in their 90's. It is never too late and you are never too old to come and have fun at the senior center.

For the younger generation, we are ramping up to keep the children busy for the summer as well. Hedgehog Park will be stocked for the annual fishing derby held on Saturday, April 27th. All the Community Garden plots have been spoken for and we are taking a waitlist. We are in the midst of enrolling children ages 3 and 4 for Palmer Pre-school's September session. The last of the spring programs will wrap up the beginning of June and the new summer programs including Rock 'N Summer Fun, Adventure Camp and X-Treme Adventure Camp will start. Rock 'N Summer Fun is 7 weeks of activities, games, crafts and field trips for ages 6 to 10. Adventure Camp for ages 11 to 15 is more bold and daring with 2 to 3 trips per week such as rock climbing, paintball and hiking. And, for the older thrill seeker ages 15 to 17, the X-Treme Adventure Camp will have them white water rafting, zip-lining and all-day deep sea fishing.



Salem Senior Tappers

Salem Community Television had the immense pleasure of recording the Salem Senior Tappers beach show. How could you not get in the spirit with this toe tapping show full of fun summer songs and brightly colored outfits. Dance Instructor Marie Cammarata really knows how to put on a show and the audience had a blast as well.

Guy Carbone played the accordion and entertained us with songs like Summertime and Lazy Hazy Days of Summer! Ingram Beach was the place to be on Thursday April 11th. The highlight of the show was the Itsy Bitsy Teeny Weeny Yellow Polka Dot Bikini dance number. That's the way to do a Beach Coverup!!

This show will air on SCTV 17 shortly. Until then enjoy these pictures!

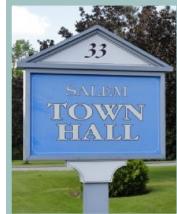




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Police Department



April is National Distracted Driving Awareness Month. The Salem Police Department worked collaboratively with the Methuen Police Department for the Connect to Disconnect Border Enforcement Demonstration on April 11. This was a high-visibility enforcement action meant to increase public awareness of the dangers of distracted driving.

