

THE MILTON GAZETTE



April 2012

News from the Town of Milton, New Hampshire

April 2012



Milton Rabies Clinic

Saturday, April 14, 2012 10:00 am - 12:00 pm Milton Highway Department



All dogs must be on a leash and all cats must be in a carrier. Prior vaccination records required (unless first time vaccination) Cost is \$16.00 per animal. This event is sponsored by the Milton Veterinary Clinic & the Milton Police Department. Any questions, please contact the Town Clerk @ 652-9414.

License For Dogs by April 30th if dog is over 3 months old

Male: \$9.00 Neutered: \$6.50 Owner over 65 1st dog \$2.00 Female: \$9:00 Neutered: \$6.50

Warning: Failure to comply will make you liable to a penalty of \$1.00 per month after May 31st. Effective January 1, 1994.
Be sure to bring your dogs Rabies Certificate with you!

Coupons 101 Thursday, April 19th @ 6:30 Milton Town Hall

Join local coupon expert Alisha Quinney in a workshop on couponing and how to use coupons to enhance your budget and help you get the most out of your spending money. Learn where to get your coupons, what stores are more coupon friendly and what other resources are available to help you use coupons to stretch your funds! This evening is free and open to the public. Donations to the Milton food pantry will gratefully be accepted at the door for anyone participating in the workshop. You may register for the workshop by calling 652-4501 ext. 8.



Milton Town House Restoration Committee seeks Moose Plate Grant

The MTHR Committee is in the process of applying for a grant from the State of NH. They are requesting the help of our townspeople in the way of a letters supporting their efforts to restore our Milton Town House to it's original beauty.

All letters should be submitted to: Susanne Foster Brown, 1362

White Mountain Highway, Milton NH 03851

Letter Deadline: April 20, 2012 - You may also drop letters off at the Town Clerk's Office during regular business hours.



Friends of Nute Spaghetti Dinner

Friends of Nute would cordially invite everyone to a spaghetti dinner to be held on Saturday, April 14th, 5:00 - 8:00 pm. Nute High School Cafeteria. All proceeds from the dinner will go to restoration projects for Nute High School & Library.

Land Conservation Workshop

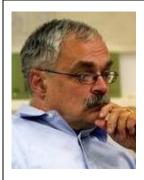
Moose Mountains Regional Greenways (MMRG) and the Farmington Conservation Commission (CC) will co-sponsor a free Land Conservation Workshop from 6:30 to 8:30 pm on Wednesday, April 18 at the Old Town Hall, 531 Main St, Farmington. A panel of landowners and land conservation experts will discuss the why's and how's of preserving your land in its natural state and options for placing conservation easements. Light refreshments will be served.

After a short social hour, the panel will begin at 6:45 pm with an introduction to the benefits of open space by Phil Auger of Land Help. Keith Fletcher, MMRG Director of Land Conservation, will then discuss conservation easements, the primary tool used for preserving undeveloped land in perpetuity. Art LeClair, Farmington CC member and landowner, will present landowner perspectives on the conservation easement process. Strafford Rivers Conservancy will close with a description of its services as a land trust. Audience questions of the panel are welcome. Following the presentation, audience members may take the opportunity to speak individually with panel participants.

The event is free and open to the public and *not* restricted to residents of Farmington. Landowners, community leaders, and those interested in protecting land from development are especially encouraged to attend. For more information, please contact MMRG by calling 603-978-7125 or emailing info@mmrg.info or contact the Farmington CC by emailing davidfly2@aol.com.

MMRG, a non-profit land conservation organization, works to conserve and connect important water resources, farm and forest lands, wildlife habitats, and recreational land in Brookfield, Farmington, Middleton, Milton, New Durham, Wakefield, and Wolfeboro. Throughout the year, MMRG offers many educational opportunities to inform all ages about the benefits of our region's natural resources. For more information, visit www.mmrg.info.

The Farmington CC is comprised of town volunteers. The Commission works to acquire and conserve town open spaces and waterways, in accordance with the Farmington Town Master Plan, using funds from the town current use tax. For more information, see www.farmington.nh.us/Public_Documents/FarmingtonNH_BComm/conservation.



Tony Mincu April Town Administrator's Report

Well, Spring has sprung and the weather has just been crazy this winter. But now that the uncertainties of Town vote has passed, it's time to get back to reality.

E-Reg is almost here. The plan is to go live on April 16—so get ready. We expect some burps in the initial phases but it will be a great service to make available to the Town. The modules that will be available will be Automobile Registration, Dog Licenses, and Vitals Record. Again, you will be able to do this online, but please understand as far as auto registration is concerned it is for renewals only. In other words, new vehicles still require a trip to Town Hall with all the necessary paperwork.

Thanks to the weather and the hard work and diligence of the Public Works crew, the ballfield is ready for use by the Milton Schools' teams. Spring is really here!!!

The federal US Rural Development grant for the ambulance in the amount of 20,000 dollars has been received and deposited into the Ambulance Reserve Fund. An additional 35,000 is in the works for the Fire Truck. Thanks to the Fire Chief and his crew for their diligence in finding supplemental funding sources.

You will see work ongoing at the old Moose lodge. John Katwick will be in the process of dismantling the old Quonset hut. However, very little will go to waste. We will be recycling the interior wood for the Town House restoration.

Also we hope to salvage the frame of the building and re-erect it at the public works site as a storage facility or a garage. As you can see, we aim to maximize our uses for whatever comes our way.

The summer kickoff looks to be a grand affair. We have a tentative line-up which will include some mini-boat speed racing on the lake. This is a nationally sanctioned event and should provide a big draw and some crowds for that weekend.

We are also going to be restarting an Economic Development Committee. Under the auspices of a grant funded by PSNH, we are in the process of developing an economic/business roadmap for the future. If anyone is interested in serving on this soon to start Committee, please notice us with a letter of interest so that we can line up our membership and launch this committee.

Bob Bridges, your new selectman has hit the floor running. It is always an positive development to be able to see the process and perspective thru fresh eyes. My thanks goes out to Stan Nadeau and all those other volunteers for their time and years of selfless service.

Till the next gazette, enjoy the spring.

Respectfully,

Tony



Milton Fire-Rescue April Report

Milton Fire-Rescue would like to extend its sincere appreciation shown by the voters of Milton for supporting the warrant article to purchase a fire engine which is due to go out to bid this week (April 3rd). It is expected to take 8-12 months to build the truck and have it delivered to Milton, NH. The department is hopeful it will arrive in December, in time for chimney fire season.

Likewise the voters supported the warrant article to begin the planning and engineering process for a new fire station. The building committee will reconvene in the near future and hopes to have a design proposal completed this year. Once the design is finalize, financial plans can be explored. The grant seeking process is an ongoing endeavor. In order to secure any grant, a concrete design and cost analysis is required. The passage of this warrant article helps the town move forward to a new fire station.

Last month Milton Fire-Rescue announced its hope to make Milton, NH a "Heart Safe Community". Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation classes are currently being held for Milton Town employees. A waiting list of Milton residents is also being compiled. If you or a family member is interested in becoming CPR certified, please contact the Milton Fire-Rescue Department at: 652-4201 with your name and phone number. Classes will be scheduled starting in April and will offer a variety of days and times. Individuals will be contacted to schedule a class. Classes will be limited to six (6) students. Advance scheduling is required.

Finally, Milton Fire-Rescue would like to ask everyone to be conscious of the brush fire dangers. There has been a winter drought with abnormally low amounts of snow and now with spring here, again we continue to face a drought as there has been limited rain. The vegetation is using whatever moisture it can find in the soil, to grow and the end result is a brush fire's dream conditions. You may notice the sign outside central station stating "No Outside Fires".

This is posted when a "Red Flag" danger day has been established by the NH Division of Forest and Lands. The dry vegetation and wind conditions make for the perfect storm of a brush fire getting out of hand and causing serious problems. Many Milton residents may remember the brush fire gone astray between Bolan Road and Northeast Pond Road back in 2008. This was a REAL threat to many home owners and caused many problems for the responders. Please respect the sign, please handle your ashes and campfires with care and report any smoke conditions as soon as possible.

Contact Information

Emergency Dial: 911 Station 1 : (603) 652-4201 Station 2: (603) 473-2157

Email: info@miltonfirerescue.com www.miltonfirerescue.com

Meetings at Town Hall

Selectmen: 2nd & 16th (6:00 pm)
Planning Board: 3rd (6:30 pm)
Conservation Commission: 9th (6:30 pm)
Budget Committee: 19th (6:00 pm) (Nute Library)

Zoning Board: 26th (6:00 pm)
Townhouse Restoration: 11th (5:30 pm)
Fire Department: 4th & 25th (5:30 pm)
Recreation Commission: 9th (5:30 pm)
Water District: 30th (5:00 pm) (Emma Ramsey Ctr)

Town Clerk/Tax Collector's Hours

Monday	8:30 - 3:30
Tuesday	8:30 - 3:30
Wednesday	8:30 - 3:30
Thursday	8:30 - 6:30
Friday	8:30 - 11:30

Pending the State of NH approval
The new e-Reg system will be up and running by
April 16, 2012

Milton Water District Annual Meeting
Sunday, April 22. 2012
1:00 pm - Nute High School Cafeteria
At this meeting registered voters who reside within the water district will be given the opportunity to vote on the 2012 Milton Water District's budget & warrants.



Milton Free Public Library Winter Hours Sunday and Monday closed Tuesday 3:30-7:30 Wednesday 12:00 -7:30 Thursday 10:00 - 12:00 & 3:30 - 7:30

Friday 1:00-7:30 Saturday 10:00 - 1:00

Thank you to everyone who showed up on Sunday March 26 for the Friends of the Milton Free Public Library Playground Planning Meeting.

The Friends are compiling the information from the meeting. More information will be coming as these plans take shape.

Thinking ahead to July 4th celebrations

Let's make our July 4th parade the best ever! Please join Karen Brown of the Milton Recreation Department at the Milton Free Public Library April 26 at 6PM to get the planning started.

<u>On-going Book Sale</u>: upstairs in the library you may purchase paperbacks (.10) hardcovers (.25) VHF (.25) or you may purchase a bag full for (\$1.00)

Grant: MFPL has applied for a NH State Library, Kids, Books & the Arts Grant to help fund a children's entertainer for the upcoming MFPL Summer Reading Program.

Please check out our website for current "Star Student" information.

Continuing programs

Thursday morning pre-K story time: Join the fun, listen to a story, do a craft, meet other children 10:30-11:30

Interested in knitting, crochet, quilting, needlepoint or other crafts? The "kninja's" are meeting Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. until? Call the library at 473-8535 for more information.

Yoga with Betsy Baker Saturday 8:30 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.

Yoga practitioners of every level are welcome to join Saturday morning classes at 8:30. These classes are \$10 / class or \$40/5 classes. (Student and senior discounts are available). Call 473-2401 for more information.

Sensei Thomas Howland is available to instruct Okinawan Karate-Do here. The cost of your Gi (uniform) varies with size. For more information, call Sensei Howland at 473-8473 for more information contact the library a @ 473-8535.



Nute Library Hours

Monday: 9:00 - 5:00 Tuesday: 9:00 - 5:00 Wednesday: 9:00 - 5:00 Thursday: 9:00 - 5:00 Friday: 9:00 - 5:00 Saturday: 9:00 - 12:00

<u>Hours:</u> Nute Library will be closed from April 21st - April 29th for April vacation. Beginning May 1st, the library will be open Monday through Friday until 5:00 pm. The library will no longer offer late hours on Wednesday evenings. The new hours will be in effect until the end June 16th. New hours for summer will be posted when they become available.

Ladies Craft Group

Our open craft group meets every Monday in the Nute Community room from 1:00 - 3:00 pm. New members are always welcome!

Quilters Group - Quilting 101

There will be a two week appliqué class on April 7th and April 14th hosted by local quilt master Carole Sullivan. Carole will share her vast knowledge on this quilting method, and show you some of her projects she has completed. Participants supply their own materials and sewing machine, but the instruction if free.

Home School Reading Club

This is a bi-monthly reading club open to all home school children who wish to participate. New members are welcome. Please contact the library if you would like more information on this group. The group meets every other Tuesday afternoons from 12:30 - 1:30 pm.

Pre-School Story Time

This group is open to all pre-school children. The group meets at the same time as the Home School Reading Club. Participants share stories and a simple craft.

On-Going Book & Video Sale: Nute library has books and videos that have been either donated or deleted from the library collection on sale at the front of the library. There are some really good bargains to be had. This is a wonderful way to stretch your holiday budget and help the library purchase new items for the current collection.

For more information on any of these program please call the library @ 652-7829.

Milton Community News

Share The Helf 🛴

Milton Community Services

New Location - Milton Town Office Mondays & Thursdays 8:00 - 3:30 pm Welfare applications.

If you are in need of assistance please call to schedule an appointment to see if you meet the program requirements @ 652-4501 ext. 9

Milton Food Pantry

The food pantry is now located in the Headstart Building in the Milton Industrial Park. Food pantry is available for families who are struggling to meet their families food needs. Mondays: 12:30 - 4:30 pm

The welfare office is in need of non-food items to help supplement clients in their daily living needs. Products such as diapers, shampoo, deodorant etc...are always needed and can be dropped off at the welfare office.



Post #8393 VFW news



They Gave, Will You?

Since 1962, the Buddy Poppy has been an integral part of the VFW community. As VFW's official memorial flower, the Poppy represents the blood shed by American service members. It reiterates that VFW will not forget their sacrifices.

The Poppy movement was inspired by Canadian Army Col. John McCrae's famous poem, "In Flanders Field" Poppies were originally distributed by the Franco-American Children's League to benefit children in the devastated areas of France and Belgium following World War I

In 1922 VFW conducted a campaign and got Poppies from France. Members soon discovered it took too long to get the Flowers in from France and they came up with a better idea. Disabled, hospitalized and aging veterans could make the paper flowers and ship them out to the members for distribution much faster.

And so it was known, for veterans in VA hospitals and State Veterans Home's everyday would be VFW Buddy Poppy Day. These men and women would assemble the Poppies, tie in bunches of 10 and pack them in boxes of 500, 1,000 or 2,000 for shipment to the Posts and Ladies Auxiliaries. The Posts and Auxiliaries pay \$110 per 1,000 Poppies.

VFW pays the disabled veterans for their work. In most cases, this extra money provides additional income for the disabled for the little luxuries which makes hospital life more tolerable.

Another reason Poppies are so important, is because all proceeds are used for veterans welfare or for the wellbeing of their dependents.

More than 1,300 children of veterans have been, or are being cared for in the VFW National Home in Eaton Rapids, Mich. Thanks to a portion of the Poppy Funds.

This Memorial Day help a veteran live up to VFW 's "Motto of "Honor the dead by helping the Living"

Economic Development Committee
The town administration is in the process of forming a Milton Economic Development Committee. The committee will be helping to develop a economic/business roadmap for the future of Milton.

If you are interested in volunteering to serve on this committee, please send a letter of interest to the town administrator, Mr. Tony Mincu, PO Box 310 Milton NH 03851.

Recreation Commission

The selectman are currently accepting letters of interest to serve as a volunteer on the

Milton Recreation Commission. All letters of interest should be directed to the Town Administrator at the above address. All letters must be received by Friday, April 13, 2012.



American Legion News



"Just a short notice this month to remind the members that new officers are to be elected this month for the coming year at out monthly meeting Apr.14th at 7:00pm in the Legion Hall down the street from the grade school. (where the Boy Scouts have their meetings) All Veterans who served during a conflict are wel-

Families Supporting Families for Special Ed.

In many school districts, families of children and youth who are in special education are joining together with each other, as families, to support their children's successes in school and in community. As a parent of a youth who requires services, I would like to work with others to start such a group in Milton. We can help, support, and learn from each other, learn and share with professional staff of Milton, and have gatherings, like barbeques and potlucks. There are state organizations who will help us develop such a group, and advise us on resources we can tap into. Interested families can contact me through email at snowyowl@metrocast.net or by phone at 652-7594—please leave your name and number clearly—if interested. Candace Cole-McCrea

Supervisors of the Checklist

The supervisors of the Checklist will be in session on Thursday, April 19th from 5:00 - 5:30 at the Emma Ramsey Ctr. Residents who reside within the water district who are not already registered voters may register at this time.

More Milton Community News



Milton Woman's Club Monthly Meeting Thursday, April 12, 2012 Community Church Of Milton 6:30 New Members Welcome!

Spring is here and the Women's Club is looking forward to a great year. The next meeting is April 12 at Community Church at 6:30. Karen Johnson will be

teaching us CPR. If you have always wanted to know how to do it, this is your chance. What is any more important than knowing how to save a life? We will open

it to others who would like to attend. The method has changed so this is your chance to stay up to date on the technique. Following the class we will have a brief

business meeting. We would love to have some new members who are looking to get involved and improve the community. Consider yourself invited......

The hostesses for March are Agnes Carlson, Loretta Banks and Marilyn Dupuis

Our May meeting is "Even You can Grow a Garden". We will be starting our Beautifcation Project for the Town of Milton and the Town Dump. Join us on May 10 and help make Milton a town you will be proud to call home. Judy Kimball, President

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The Milton Learning Center, a state-licensed non-profit group childcare center, preschool, and before and after school center is currently accepting enrollment for the summer program and the fall school year program. We are licensed for children ages 3-12. We offer daily and weekly rates for the summer program. We have hours from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. There are discount rates for siblings. We have a comfortable, air-conditioned facility. Please call to lock in a slot for your child. We are filling up quickly!! Call 652-9337 and ask for Karen Crew.



Imagine not having to rely on friends and family for running your errands!

Do you or one of your neighbors have trouble getting to the grocery store or making it to the pharmacy to get your prescriptions filled? The North Bus brings residents of Brookfield, Middleton, Milton, New Durham, and Wakefield into Rochester for pharmacy and grocery shopping. The minibus visits each town once a week and priority is given to the elderly and the disabled. To reserve a ride, please call 1-855-SENH-BUS (1-855-736-4287). The minibus will pick you up in the morning at your home and bring you to your grocery store or pharmacy. After doing your shopping, you'll be picked up at the store and brought back to your home by early afternoon. The fare is \$2.50 each way.

Here's our schedule:

Tuesday: Middleton

Wednesday: Wakefield, Brookfield & Milton

Thursday: New Durham & Milton

The North Bus is driven by COAST-trained volunteers, no CDL needed! If you're interested in being a volunteer driver, please contact Jeff Donald at 743-5777 x.120

Hershey Track and Field Program!!

Do you like to run? Are you between the ages of 9-14 years old by December 31, 2012? If so, you should sign up! Milton Recreation would like to start a team in Milton. You would practice running, throwing and jumping to help prepare you for the District Meet on July 2. If you do well in that meet you could qualify for the State Meet on July 6 and depending on how well you do you could be flown to Hershey, PA to compete in the Nationals.

We will be having practices on Saturdays 5/5, 5/12, 5/19, 5/26. 6/9, 6/16, 6/23 from 9AM-10:30AM. Practices are to help assist you in your efforts to do well. If you can not make all practices that is fine. Come to some and get some drills you can do at home

Please call 652-4501 ext. 8 to let us know you are interested. Thanks,



Pack #155
Milton Cub Scouts - Monthly Activities
For more information
On the Milton Cub Scout Pack,
E-mail:pmsteer@metrocast.net

Monday, April 16th: 6:00 American Legion Hall Monthly pack meeting and annual cub-scout crossover ceremony

Saturday, May 10th: Cub Scout Hike-a-Thon,

Branch Hill Farm, Milton Mills, NH.

Milton has a very active cub scout pack. If you would like more information on the pack, please contact the Cub Master at the above e-mail address.

Recreational Activities for April



Senior Bingo Program

<u>Tuesdays</u>: 10:00 - 11:30 am April 3rd, 10th, 17th, & 24th

Doors open @ 9:00. Coffee, donuts, fruit, cheese & crackers are served. In order to be in compliance with NH State Law, these senior bingo offerings are open to those who are 60 years old and older.

Sunday Bingo

12:00 pm Emma Ramsey Ctr. April 29, 2012

Food served starting @ 12:00. Bingo begins at 1:00 pm. This is a senior bingo program and players must be 60 years old or older.



Senior Luncheon April, 17th Easter Ham Luncheon

The meal will be served immediately after the completion of the Tuesday bingo program. The meal is prepared by Ann Walsh & Friends

The Easter Ham Luncheon menu will include Ham,
Potatoes, Veggies, rolls & dessert

The senior luncheon program is open to area seniors who might not participate in other programs, but would still like to meet and socialize with the senior set. We host the meals once a month after one of the Tuesday bingo sessions. If you have never participated and would like more information on this program, please call the recreation department at 652-4501 ext. 8

LIBERTY MUSIC GATHERING An acoustic music jam open to all! Musicians and listeners welcome.



Everyone is invited to join this acoustic music jam that is open to all musicians and listeners alike!

Jam sessions are every other

Saturday evening

April 14th & 28th

From 6:00 pm - 9:30 pm

Doors open at 5:30 pm

Sponsored by Liberty Chapel

Milton Mills, NH.

603-652-2522



Children's Museum of New Hampshire

6 Washington Street Dover NH 03820 Phone: (603) 742-2002

Fax: (603) 834-6275

Saturday, April 7, 10am-2pm Meet the Cat from the Cat in the Hat!

Meet the Cat in the Hat as part of the *Books Alive!* literacy initiative, generously sponsored by Irving Oil. Museum staff will read Cat in the Hat tales and kids can enjoy hands-on crafts, games and reading activities. The costumed Cat character will make frequent appearances for hugs and high-fives. Plus fun family entertainment by Amy Conley at 11 am and 1 pm. *Regular admission applies; free for museum members*.

Free Family Fun Night: Friday, April 6th 5:30 - 8:00



Kids Night Out (drop-off program) Emma Ramsey Ctr. Friday, April 27th 6:00 - 9:00 pm. \$5.00 per child Includes Supper & Craft

A Turtle's Tale: Sammy's Adventure is the story of a young turtle traveling the world in search of love, friendship and adventure. Just five minutes after hatching on a beach in California, Sammy knows his life is going to be tough. Struggling to keep up with the other hatchlings, Sammy is left behind as his true love, Shelly, is dragged off by the current. Desperate to find her again, Sammy embarks on an epic adventure which sees him meeting best friend Ray, and learning that there is a whole world, full of danger, to explore.

Supper and a craft is included in the program.

You must pre-register your child in order for him/her to attend. Sign-ups will be taken in the order that they come in. The program is limited to the first 25 children who sign-up by 4/23/2012

Please call 652-4501 ext. 8

More April Recreational Happenings



Half Moon School of Martial Arts Martial Arts for Ages 7 to 107

Tuesday & Thursday night 7:00 pm — 8:30 pm **Emma Ramsey Center**

Combining Kung Fu, Jiu-Jitsu and Karate, Shaolin Kempo is a complete self defense system offering challenges, both physical and mental, that teach respect, discipline and that the ultimate goal of Martial Arts training is not to have to use it

Arrive 15 minutes early to warm up One night a week: \$10.00 per class or \$30.00 a month or \$50.00 for two. Two nights per week: \$10.00 per class or \$45.00 a month or \$80.00 for two months. For more information contact Al @ 603-781-5230



Modern Survival Studios Sifu - Aaron Hutto Certified Black-Belt Instructor **Emma Ramsey Center**

Mon. & Wed. Ages 4/5 - noon Ages 6/10 - 12:45 11/+ - 2:00 Adult Class: TBA "If you can imagine it, you can achieve it. If you dream it, you can become it."

Offering a modern approach to traditional martial arts. Classes in Chinese Chuan Fa & Japanese Danzan Ryu Jujitsu Weapons & Pressure Point Classes available for advanced students. AaronMHutto@msn.com

603-988-5473



Milton Recreation Spring Kickball Saturday, April 7, 2012 Lockhart Field 10:00 AM Sign-up

The Milton Recreation Department will be offering a new program this spring for the younger athletes who are looking for something to keep them active until school lets out and summer activities begin.

Registration forms are available on the recreation portion of the town website. If you cannot make the initial meeting on April 7th, but are still interested in joining, please attend the next meeting on April 14th. For more info. Contact the Recreation Department.



Remick Country Doctor Museum & Farm 58 Cleveland Hill Road Tamworth, NH M*I*C*K Phone: (603) 323-7591 **MUSEUM** Fax: (603) 323-8382

April School Vacation Activities at the Remick Museum Join the folks at the Remick Museum and Farm for a few glimpses into more traditional New Hampshire spring activities? Each weekday between April 16 and April 27th offers opportunities to learn interactive, sometimes tasty, and always useful skills:

Mondays--Try making and baking biscuits over hot coals in our open hearth, and then make butter to enjoy with the bread. We will also offer an introduction to sewing; learn ancient needle arts that can be useful in everyday life. Tuesdays--There will be a special hearthside cooking ex-

perience for ages 5-18; prepare and enjoy a delicious meal right in our own fireplace.

Wednesdays--We will offer a class in historic lighting and candle making; this is a fun and enlightening adventure! Take home a beeswax candle!

Thursdays--Make a paper quilt; each participant will leave with a beautiful quilt square.

Fridays--learn to make a three-legged stool, try your hand at using a buck saw, mallet and froe, and a draw knife. We will also offer an introduction to knitting; this is a useful skill that can be practiced anywhere and can be a hobby for life. Think of the gifts and fun!

Each day at 10:00 there will be hands-on-animals opportunity with an educator, along with a self-guided scavenger hunt, and at 1:30 a farm tour.

All activities are free and open to everyone with the small \$3.00 price of museum admission (except for the hearthside meals which have a fee of \$5.00 per person-reservations required). As always admission to the Museum and activities are free to members. For times of each activity please check www.remickmuseum.org or call 323-7591.



Babe Ruth Sign-up The Milton Recreation Department has open registration for our Milton Babe Ruth League Registration Forms will be available on-line by Friday, April 6th or can be picked up & dropped off up at the Recreation Office.

Milton Summer Kick-off Saturday, June 9th & Sunday, June 10th

The town Selectman has given their approval for the South Shore Outboard Competition, now they are on to their next quest to get both state of NH approval & Insurance approval for our 2-day event.

If all goes well, we will be hosting a two-day speed boat competition as well as an Antique Boat Show hosted by the Antique & Classic Boat Society and the Antique Outboard Motor Club, and the first annual Antique Car & Custom Rod Show. This is a wonderful fund-raising opportunity for our local groups and everyone is invited to participate. If you would like to help plan this event or would like to be a part of the event, please contact the Milton Recreation Department. Vendors will be accepted on a first come basis, as well as other organizations. Local groups will be given first preference. If you would like further information or would like to help, please contact the recreation department

at 603-652-4501 ext. 8



A Big "Thank You" to the Nute High School National Honor Society for taking time out of their busy school schedules to come to the Emma Ramsey

Center to stuff 2500 plastic eggs full of candy for the Town of Milton Easter Egg Hunt. They worked diligently until the task was complete.

A big thanks to advisor, Krissy Henner for organizing it and for chaperoning the event.

Thank you to Lydia Barca for sharing her artistic talents and creating some beautiful posters to advertise the hunt.

If you have a community service project that you think might benefit from their help, please contact Ms. Henner at Nute High School @652-4591.

Camp Three Ponds Summer Rec Camp June 18th - August 17th

Camp Three Ponds will run an extra week this year to accommodate the shortened school year. This year brings a new camp director, our very own Sadie Campbell who was raised in Milton and has returned to the area to pursue a teaching career. We also welcome our new assistant camp director John McColley. John has a background in the theater Arts and will be bringing a new drama element to camp this year. Both Sadie & John are very excited about their new positions and are planning a very exciting summer for our camp kids. With the exception of a \$5.00 increase in our registration fee, all the fees will be the same as last year.

The camp schedule and information will be posted on the recreation page on the Town of Milton website over the next couple of weeks as the information becomes available!



Town of Milton Easter Egg Hunt
Pictured above are the lucky winners of the children's
baskets from the 2012 Easter Egg Hunt.
This year's hunt was blessed with beautiful weather and an
abundance eggs to go around.
The hunt was held on Saturday, March 31st at the

Milton Town Beach, which allowed for lots of wonderful places to hide the eggs, and a much larger area to hunt. The youngest hunters were given the opportunity to hunt on the ball field, while older seasoned hunters were given the rest of the property to forage for their eggs. Which made for some very happy hunters, with lots of candy to go around!

Spring/Summer Calendar of MMRG Outreach Events



Land Conservation Workshop: Old Town Hall, 531 Main Street, Farmington

Wednesday, April 18, 6:30 - 8:30 pm

A panel of landowners and land conservation experts will present the why's and how's of protecting your land and options for conservation easements. Light refreshments. Co-sponsored by the Farmington Conservation Commission. Free. Preregistration not required.

Earth Day Celebration: Branch Hill Farm, 307 Applebee Rd., Milton Mills

Sunday, April 22, starts at 1:00 pm

A community-building event! Join us for a spring clean-up along Applebee Road and celebrate with shared food at the follow-up potluck. Co-sponsored by Branch Hill Farm/CSFCT. Please call ahead to let us know you're coming.

Earth Week Family and Children's Walks; NH Farm Museum, White Mountain Highway, Milton

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, April 25, 26, 27, starting at 11:00am

On Wednesday and Friday, parents and younger children can go for a short guided hike through the Plummer's and Jones Woods around the NH Farm Museum. On Thursday, licensed forester Charlie Moreno will lead families with older kids on an hour and a half hike of Branch Hill Farm (across Rte 125 from the Farm Museum). He will also share the history of the changing forest landscape. Co-sponsored by Branch Hill Farm/CSFCT. These events are part of the NH Farm Museum Earth Day programs: see www.farmmuseum.org. Free to MMRG or Museum members. Others: \$7.00/adult, \$4.00/child ages 4-17 years; \$20.00/family preregistration is not required.

What is Forestry and Why Do It? Greater Wakefield Resource Center, 254 Main Street, Union

Saturday, May 5, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Licensed Forester Charlie Moreno will present this workshop on how and why to manage your wood lot. Following an introductory lecture/slide show, he will take participants to the nearby managed forest on the Jones Brook Property. Co-sponsored by Branch Hill Farm/CSFCT. FREE **Preregistration required**.

8th Annual Branch River Paddle; Branch River boat launch, Milton

Saturday, May 26, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm.

Bring your kayak or canoe for this scenic paddle along 2.5 miles of the Branch and Salmon Falls Rivers. Kira Jacobs of the Environmental Protection Agency and Jennifer Jacobs of UNH Civil Engineering will discuss conserving lands for water quality and ecohydrology. Boat transport and picnic lunch provided. Co-sponsored by Branch Hill Farm/CSFCT. \$10.00 donation suggested. No pets please. **Pre-registration is required**.

2nd Annual Water Quality Cruise on Lake Winnipesaukee, Wolfeboro Town Docks, Wolfeboro

Sunday, June 24, 2:00 - 4:00 pm

Bob Craycraft of UNH Cooperative Extension and Linda Schier of the Acton Wakefield Watersheds Alliance will discuss water quality issues in NH lakes and streams and demonstrate water sampling techniques. A Celtic band on board will entertain with traditional music during the boat rides. Co-sponsored by the Wolfeboro-Tuftonboro Land Bank. Cost: TBA. Please preregister.

10th Annual Woods, Water and Wildlife Festival; Branch Hill Farm, 307 Applebee Rd, Milton Mills Saturday August 11, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

This family-friendly celebration of the natural world features fun and educational outdoor activities. Take a hayride to the river, observe and learn about NH wildlife, explore the corn maze, take a discovery walk, watch demonstrations of traditional skills, try your hand at fishing the pond, learn how to make a rain garden, do crafts with your kids, and more! The program will be posted on our festival webpage, http://www.mmrg.info/festival. Co-sponsored by Branch Hill Farm/CSFCT. \$5.00/adult, \$10.00/family, Free for kids 12 and under and MMRG members. No pets please.

For more information, see http://www.mmrg.info. To register, call (603) 978-7125 or e-mail info@mmrg.info.