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**Upcoming Meetings:**

9/1/2021	Board of Fire Engineers	5:30pm	Fire Station
9/7/2021	Board of Selectmen	5pm	Town Hall
9/7/2021	Police Commission	4pm	Police Station
9/9/2021	Conservation Commission	6:30pm	Town Hall
9/13/2021	Planning Board	6pm	Town Hall
9/13/2021	Recreation Committee	7pm	Town Hall
9/13/2021	Historic District Commission	10am	Old Town Hall
9/15/2021	Sewer Commission	9am	Wst. Water Trtmt. Facility
9/20/2021	Board of Selectmen	5pm	Town Hall
9/27/2021	Planning Board	6pm	Town Hall
9/30/2021	Economic Development Comm.	6pm	Town Hall

[Please check the town calendar at [www.Newington.nh.us](http://www.Newington.nh.us) to confirm the meeting times, just prior to the date, as these may change]

## *Newington Fire & Rescue*

Hard to think that summer is pretty much over. Kids are heading back to school and some leaves are already starting to turn. We were very fortunate that the remnants of hurricane Henri mostly fizzled out before it reached us. Fingers crossed that the remainder of the hurricane season will remain quite for the seacoast. On that note, our thoughts and prayers are with the Louisiana and the gulf coast with the approach of hurricane Ida on the 16<sup>th</sup> anniversary of hurricane Katrina. While I was with Dover Fire, I was part of a FEMA response team that was dispatched to the gulf to assist with the aftermath of Katrina for a month. The news leading up to Ida making landfall is eerily familiar to 2005.

We continue to be busy at the FD. As you may have heard or seen in the news, we had a very successful outcome of a very technical rescue at Sprague Energy. This would not have been possible without the assistance of our neighboring communities and businesses. Newington Fire is part of a Seacoast Fire Chiefs Mutual Aid District that includes nearly 50 departments and their respective assets. With the vast amount of industrial and commercial properties within the Town it is imperative that the great working relationships we have with the neighboring communities continues.

I would also like to pass along some other good news. Newington Fire was awarded a federal Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) for the purchase of physical training equipment in the amount of nearly \$15,000. These funds will go a long way in the replacement of our existing previously used equipment. This equipment also plays a large part in a commitment to the members to continue to try keep them safe and healthy while protecting Newington residents. Another part of that same plan was the negative pressure gear storage room that was constructed last year. A sincere thanks goes out to all the members that assisted with the writing of the grant.

As always, we are here and available if you have any needs or questions. Stay safe.

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## Boiler & Furnace Safety Tips

According to the [National Fire Protection Association](#), heating equipment is a leading cause of home fire deaths and half of home heating equipment fires are reported during December, January, and February. Here are some safety tips for your furnace and boiler that can help keep your household safe:

- Keep anything flammable at least three feet away from heating equipment. In addition to furnaces and boilers, this includes fireplaces, wood stoves, and space heaters.
- Always have central heating equipment installed by competent professionals who follow local codes and manufacturer's instructions.



- Have your furnace or boiler inspected and maintained annually by a qualified contractor. Make sure they check all the components, including, wires, connections, valves, and venting.
  - Make sure your heating system vents are not blocked by furniture, clothing, boxes, or any other items.
  - Change your furnace air filter regularly, which keeps debris out of the system (and helps it run more efficiently)
- Keep children away from furnace and boiler equipment at all times.
  - Make sure your [furnace exhaust system](#) is properly sized and that your chimney, connector pipes, and flues are cleaned and inspected each year.
  - Have smoke alarms installed on each floor of your home and test them once a month. Replace the batteries regularly.
  - [Install carbon monoxide detectors](#) in addition to the smoke alarms. Know the [symptoms of carbon monoxide](#) poisoning, which can include a dull headache, weakness, dizziness, nausea or vomiting, shortness of breath, confusion, blurred vision, and loss of consciousness.

### Protect Your Home by Taking Furnace Safety Seriously

Always pay attention to any unusual sounds or odors coming from your furnace or boiler, and report them to a repair professional. It's also important to have a home fire escape safety plan that every member of your household knows about, understands, and has practiced.

## Police Department

Joyful September Newington!! This is a busy time for everyone. Kids are going back to school, summer activities are ending, leaves are starting to change on the trees, and everything is “Pumpkin Spice!!!!”

This September 11<sup>th</sup> marks the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of 911. Let us not forget the sacrifices our military members and their families have done for our country. We are reminded everyday by the “Sounds of Freedom” flying over and landing in our back yard. How lucky we are to be living and working in Newington. Thank you to all who served!!!

Schools Open!! I know some parents who are excited about this. Take extra time in the morning to get ready leaving for work because of those big yellow buses making frequent stops to pick up the kids. The kids are also excited and may not be paying full attention to their surroundings while going to the bus stop, walking, or riding their bikes to school.

Believe it or not, people actually pass school buses when the bus is stopped picking up kids. There are two clues you need to stop for a school bus. #1 the large flashing red lights on the front and back upper corners of the bus and #2 the stop sign that extends the left side of the bus in eyesight.

**NH RSA 265:54 Overtaking and Passing School Bus.** The driver of a vehicle upon a way upon meeting or overtaking from either direction any school bus, plainly marked with school bus signs or such other distinguishing identification as the director may require, which has stopped on the highway for the purpose of receiving or discharging school children shall stop his or her vehicle before reaching such school bus at least 25 feet away from such school bus. The driver shall not proceed until such school bus resumes motion, or until flashing red lights cease to operate. This is a violation with fines up to \$1,000.00.



September 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>, the New Hampshire Air National Guard will be hosting the air show, Thunder Over New Hampshire. The police department is working in conjunction with the Air National Guard, NH State Police, Portsmouth Police, Greenland Police, and the NH Department of Transportation to make this a safe and enjoyable experience for residents and visitors.

## ROAD CLOSURES FOR THE AIR SHOW:

Practice show: Friday, September 10<sup>th</sup>. 12pm- 5:00pm

- McIntyre Road closed between Little Bay and Newington Road.
- Arboretum closed from the circle to Short Street/Nimble Hill.

The above roads will also be closed on Saturday, September 11<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, September 12<sup>th</sup> from 12pm to 5:00 pm.

The Police Department suggests that residents park at the Highway, Old Town Hall, and Library if they want to watch the show from Old Town Hall. Pedestrian: foot and cyclist traffic will be permitted during road closures.

We understand this is going to be a temporary inconvenience for many. However, the closures are required by the FAA for safety purposes.

Parking along town roads will not be permitted. We will be posting orange 'No Parking, Temporary Police Order' signs along the roadways to keep on lookers from parking everywhere. If you wish to have these signs placed in front of your house, let me know.

August monthly statistics:

Motor vehicle stops	386	Summons/warnings issued
Accidents	8	Reports taken
Incidents/calls for service	39	Reports taken
Arrests	17	Felony/Misdemeanor offences
Field Interviews	1	Suspicious person(s)
Warrants	2	Felony/Misdemeanors

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to give me a call 431-5461 or send me an email; [mbilodeau@newingtonhpd.com](mailto:mbilodeau@newingtonhpd.com)

Be safe and healthy!!

Chief Michael Bilodeau

# **TOWN CLERK'S Message - SEPTEMBER 2021**

## **PLAN AHEAD**

**E-MAIL IS THE BEST WAY TO SET UP  
AFTER-HOURS APPOINTMENTS**

**We close our DMV Program on Thursday if we have no  
Appointments planned for After Hours**

## **TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE HOURS**

**Tues – Wed - Thurs – 9AM to 2PM**

**[icoleman@townofnewingtonnh.com](mailto:icoleman@townofnewingtonnh.com) Or Call 436-7640**

**BUSINESSES – Please Make Appointments or Drop Off for  
Fleet Renewals and Multiple New Vehicle Registrations**

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Langdon Library Hours:

Monday and Tuesday, 12 PM to 8 PM

Wednesday 1 PM to 7 PM

Thursday and Friday, 9 AM to 5 PM

Saturday, 10 AM to 2 PM



Natalia Jacuch accepts a Lagos gift certificate as thanks for helping with our Tails & Tales Summer Reading Program events this year! Thank you so much, Natalia!

Congratulations to all of our summer reading participants and prize winners. We had a total of 70 sign up this year, 45 kids and 25 adults. The adults recorded an impressive 105 books this summer, and the kids read an average of 33 out of the 41 possible days! Congratulations to our prize winners: Michaela K., Jamie N., Ryan B., Max G., Norah K., Kaleb S., Henry P., Wyatt S., Cash M., Lia R., Claire S., Austin B., Tildy D., Dave T., Jack O., Nat J., Wendy S., Paul P., Cathy H., Paula K., Huddy G., Meredith M., John L., Erika M., Bode R., Kaiden S., Michael K., Liv R., Andy N., and Peter

O. We would like to thank our extremely generous sponsors, Hauch Storage and Beswick Engineering, as well as Dover Bowl, The Beach Plum and John Lamson, who contributed to our prizes. Without them we would have been able to offer far fewer prizes, as many businesses were unable to donate gift certificates this year.

Our September Teen Advisory Group meetings on Monday at 6:30 will plan the Kids Craft Table for Septemberfest, a Reading Buddies program matching teens with a children in the community, Winter Warm-Up activities, and more. All teens welcome to attend, and/or to volunteer at these events. Join us to meet other teens and make a difference in the community!

Our second summer Outdoor Movie Field of Dreams was not as well attended as the first, so we have decided in future to show outdoor movies just once per summer. It was neat to see the Major League Baseball game played between the Chicago White Sox and the New York Yankees this month at the Field of Dreams in Iowa. I would like to say we planned the timing, but it was a happy accident. Thank you to the Recreation Committee for help with refreshments and setup/ takedown at both movies!

We had a wonderful time with the Camp Newington kids at ten Tails and Tales programs Miss Amanda created and held outdoors (weather permitting) this summer, and greatly appreciated the help of teen volunteer Natalia Jacuch in implementing these events. We wish all our Newington kids and teens the best for a successful school year. Remember we are always here to help.

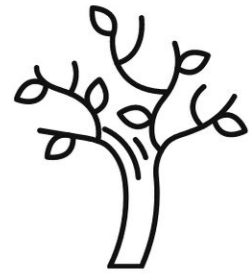
See you at the library!  
Lara, Theresa, Amanda and Deb  
328 Nimble Hill Road  
Newington, NH  
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[www.langdonlibrary.org](http://www.langdonlibrary.org)





# YOUTH SERVICES

at Langdon Public Library



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## SEPTEMBER 2021

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### LEAPING LEARNERS OUTDOOR STORYTIME (PRE-K)

FRIDAY, SEPT. 3, 17, & 24 10:30 AM

Miss Amanda hosts a pre-K storytime featuring music and movement activities, fingerplays, and a read-aloud. Social distancing is encouraged and masks are required only if entering the building.

**9/3:** Squirrels

**9/17:** Leaves

**9/24:** Apples

### FALL CRAFTS AT SEPTEMBERFEST (FAMILY)

SATURDAY, SEPT. 18

Miss Amanda will be at Septemberfest with three fall crafts for kids of all ages to make! Attendees can make a fall crown, a colorful leaf ornament, and a beaded bracelet.

### IMAGINATION BAGS (AGES 4+)

ALL MONTH LONG

This month's activity bag is all about apples! Pick yours up at the library to receive supplies for an apple craft, get some ideas for apple family activities, and learn about the many types of one of our favorite fall fruits!

### APPLES TO APPLES JUNIOR (AGES 9-12)

SATURDAY, SEPT. 25 11-12 PM

Come to the library for a family-friendly game day out on our patio (weather permitting). We will be playing Apples to Apples Junior, a funny word-matching game.

### COMING SOON: GRADES 4 AND 5 EVENING BOOK GROUP AT THE LIBRARY

Miss Amanda will lead a monthly book group at the library for kids in grades 4 & 5. Students will read selections from the 2022 Great Stone Face Award nominees. Children who are interested can check out a copy of the month's book from the library. Stay tuned to our Facebook page to learn more.

### COMING SOON: UKULELE KITS AT THE LIBRARY

Thanks to a grant from the New Hampshire state Library and the Institute for Library and Museum Services, we have five ukulele kits to circulate at the library. Stay tuned to our Facebook page to learn more about the project and when they will be available.

**Recreation News! Mark your calendars:**

The Newington Recreation Committee is having **Historic Trolley Tours of Newington**, narrated by John Lamson, on **October 17th**. The trolley times are 3pm (kids trolley) and 4pm (adults). Come learn about our amazing little town and its history.



**Septemberfest is September 18<sup>th</sup> starting at 4:30pm**  
**Don't miss it!**



October 2<sup>nd</sup> is the annual Historical Society's Town Wide Yard Sale (9-2pm). Sign up at the Town Hall. The cost is \$10 and your location will be included on the map, plus you will be given balloons to put on your mailbox.

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*Nimble Hill Road Gate to PDA & Arboretum Drive*

**PROCEDURE:** Please stop once you have passed through the gate **and press the clicker to close the gate.** *It does not close automatically anymore.*

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Hours of Operation: Town Offices - Mon - Fri. 9 - 4:30pm  
Town Clerk/Tax Collector: Tuesday through Thursday 9am-2pm  
Building Dept. - Mon - Thurs 6:30am- 4:30pm  
Planning Dept. - Monday & Thursday 9 - 4:30pm (Planner by appointment)  
Transfer Station: Wed 5 - 7pm, Sat 9 - 3pm  
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