

NORTHFIELD NEWS

MARCH EDITION

CONGRADULATIONS ADAM DOW

At their meeting on February 20th, the Board of Selectmen made the unanimous decision to promote Adam Dow as Public Works Director. Adam has worked for the Town since Sept of 2021, and prior to that served the State of NH for 21 years in DOT. Adam grew up in Northfield and currently resides in Northfield with his family.



TUESDAY MARCH 12, 2024 7:00 AM - 7:00 PM
PINES COMMUNITY CENTER
61 SUMMER ST, NORTHFIELD

TOWN ELECTION

Selectman - 3 years term

Scott McGuffin
Keith Lamanuzzi

Moderator - 2 year term

Kent Finemore

Supervisors of the Checklist - 6 year term

Linda Luedke

Trustee of Trust Funds - 3 year term

Ken Tripple

Treasurer - 3 year term

Roland Seymour

FIRE DISTRICT ELECTION

Commissioners - 3 years term

Jason Wright
Eric Pyra

Moderator - 2 year term

Write In

Clerk - 3 year term

Jean Samms

Treasurer - 3 year term

Timothy Pearson

SCHOOL DISTRICT ELECTION

Moderator - 1 years term

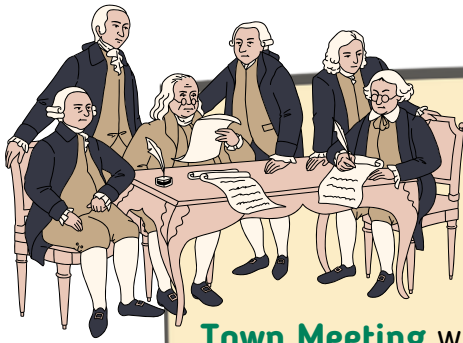
Kent Finemore

School Board - 3 year term

Jennifer Tupeck - Northfield
Jennifer Holt - Sanbornton
Write In - Tilton

Budget Committee - 3 year term

David Curdie - Northfield
Nina Gardner - Sanbornton
Write In - Tilton
Write In - Tilton for 2 year term



Annual Meetings

Town Meeting will be held on Saturday March 16th beginning at 9:00 am at Compass Classical 5 Elm St, Northfield

Fire District Meeting will be held on Monday March 18th beginning at 7:00 pm at the High School Cafe 435 W. Main St, Tilton

School District Meeting will be held on Saturday March 23rd beginning at 9:00 am at the High School Gymnasium 435 W. Main St, Tilton

2024 DOG LICENSES ARE IN

Dogs must be registered by April 30th per State Law

Please stop by Town Hall, or register on-line. Give us a call to verify if we have received your rabies vaccination
(603) 286-4482

License Fees:

Puppies (4-7 months) \$6.50

Male/Female \$9.00

Kennel/Group Home \$20.00 (5 or more dogs)

Spayed or Neutered \$6.50

Owner over age 65 \$2.00 (first dog only)



If you no longer have a dog, please let us know so we may update our records.

Clerks office hours: Mon, Tue, Thu 8:30am - 4:30pm; Wed 8:30am - 6:30pm; Fri 8:30am - 12:00pm



The Northfield Police Dept. has received many phone calls this weeks for people being scammed. This is tax season, so many scammer will be on the look out for you as you receive your refunds.

Do Not Be A Victim.

Ongoing scams involving requests for payments involving gift cards or Green Dot cards. The IRS, law enforcement, and any other government agencies do not require payment using gift cards or Green Dot cards. Common scams involve groups claiming to be from the IRS or some other law enforcement agency claiming you need to pay a fine to clear a warrant using gift cards, Green Dot cards, or similar instruments. If you are threatened with arrest or a warrant unless you pay, assume it is a scam and contact the Northfield Police Department.



PUBLIC WORKS DEPT

Pothole season will soon be upon us. The Public Works Department, like most departments throughout New England, will be working hard on road repairs as they come up. With the asphalt plants still closed most pot hole repairs will be temporary. Please use caution on all roads, drive slow, avoid large puddles, and if you see a pot hole, please take the time to go around it. We appreciate your patience as we continue to make the roads safer and easier to travel.

Gravel roads have been posted with a 6 ton weight restriction and asphalt roads have been posted with a 12 ton weight restriction. When planning for a delivery to your property such as fuel, household furnishing & appliances, etc. Please let the delivery companies know about road postings, and if at all possible, to make the delivery first thing in the morning while ground is still frozen. Additionally, when needed we do offer waivers, applications can be found on the Town's website www.northfieldnh.org

The restrictions will remain in place until the spring thaw conditions are such that they can be lifted without damage being done to the roads. For more information, please call 286-4490.



New Curbside Trash Collection

Letters were mailed to eligible households, this information was posted on Facebook, sent out through the email blast and posted on the Town's website.

Beginning April 1, 2024, the following changes are being implemented to all residential homes 2 Units or less...

The service being provided will be fully automated. This means the truck will pull up to your container, lift the container and place it back down in the same location. Multiple containers must be placed next to each other at least (6) six inches apart.

All homes with 2 units or less per parcel will receive 1 - 95 gallon trash container per unit, supplied by Casella. Units must be registered with the Town, a unit does include Accessory Dwelling Units/In-Laws.

If you are 65 years of age or older, registered disabled, or if your driveway is 200 feet or more, you are eligible for either a 65 gallon container or a 35 gallon containers. This request must be done no later than 2pm March 1, 2024

All trash containers will come with a serial number to identify ownership. If you want your address on the container, please use mailbox stickers, do not spray paint the container.

All trash must be contained within the confines of the trash container. There will be no bags collected that are left outside of the container(s), as well as no bags, boxes or other debris stacked on top of the container. If this occurs, Casella will have to leave the container as is and will be back the following week to collect, if corrected.

Timeline:

- Week of 3/18 – Casella will deliver new containers to your residence.
- Week of 3/25 - if you choose, Casella will collect your old containers, you will need to leave a note on your old container stating **"Please take this container"**
- If you miss the disposal of your current containers, you will be allowed to dispose of them at the Transfer Station.



PAY AS YOU THROW

The PAYT program changed a few months ago. If you have access trash beyond your allowable curbside containers you can bring any size back to the Transfer Station and drop it off for \$5.00 each. No special bags needed, only household trash is acceptable. Please rinse out your containers and bring them down during normal business hours. Tues & Sat 8am-3pm

RECYCLING CENTER



A great way to save on space in your curbside containers and produce less costly tonnage is the recycle. The Recycling Center accept plastics 1-7 unsorted, no black, no caps, corrugated cardboard (brown cardboard), tin, aluminum, glass and metal. Please rinse out your containers and bring them down during normal business hours. Tues & Sat 8am-3pm



Listening

Session

With Northfield Selectman, Ross Cunningham

Northfield residents are invited to come and talk about pressing issues, concerns, or just chat.

Location: Hall Memorial Library 18 Park St, Northfield

Time: 10:00 am - 11:00 am

Date: April 6, 2024

May 18, 2024

Parks Commission

The Parks Commission continues to meet on the second and fourth Thursday each month. We meet at the Town Hall at 5:30pm, all are welcome to attend.

Pallet of Pellets

The one thing we can count on in NH is that winter will return next year. Stock up, today. We have plenty of tickets still available to win a pallet of pellets. Contact any Parks Commissioner or stop by Town Hall and see Stephanie to get your ticket today.



EVENTS

The Parks Commission is planning four big events this year. In late spring, early summer at Surrrette Park we are planning a Gel Blaster event for all ages, we are teaming up with Positive Impact, a local non-profit group working hard at getting kids outside to play. In the summer, we are working on a comedy night for adults at the Pines Community Center. The fall we'll be having our first ever fall festival for all ages, we are teaming up with the T-N Rotary Club. And in the winter, we are keeping the tradition going and planning a Game Night. All events will have food, prizes, raffles, 50/50, all adult events will be BYOB, and the Fall Festival will have a beer tent.

Additionally, this year we will be constructing the announcing booth/concession stand and the gazebo at Pines Park. We will be seeking volunteers as we get closer and the weather is in our favor.

And lastly, the Dragonfly Events is going to host another craft fair in September at Surrrette Park, there's food, raffles, vendors and lots of crafts. More information will be coming as the date gets closer.

To stay up to date on the events follow the Town on Facebook: Town of Northfield, NH additional information can also be found on the Northfield NH Parks Facebook page.

KEEP YOUR CALENDARS OPEN, YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS THIS

Little Brown Bat

Myotis lucifugus

Distribution: The Little Brown Bat is found from Labrador west to central Alaska and south to the Appalachians in Georgia and Arkansas. Located in most states except Florida, Texas, and southern California. The little brown bat was found abundantly throughout New Hampshire until about 2010, but the entire population is now at great risk from White-nose Syndrome.



Description: The little brown bat is a small mammal with a body length of 2 1/2 - 4" and weighing approximately 1/8 to 1/2 an ounce. The wingspan of little brown bats range from 9 - 11". Bats are the only mammals that engage in truly active flight. As their name suggests they are glossy brown above with a lighter gray color below. These bats can live 20 to 30 years.

Commonly Confused Species: Big brown bat in buildings and most other bats in flight.

Habitat: Little brown bats feed primarily over wetlands and other still water where insects are abundant. They use rivers, streams, and trails as travel corridors to navigate across the landscape. Bats will occasionally swoop down close to mammals to indulge on the insects that swarm around them. They can follow the same flight pattern each night as they search for food. They will prefer summer roosts close to water.

Little brown bats roost in the summer in buildings (barns, attics, outbuildings) with the males and females roosting apart. The females gather into maternity colonies. They prefer hot spaces, such as right under the roof. The increased heat from the roof and multiple bat bodies helps the pups to grow faster. Males roost in smaller colonies, and may use tree cavities as well as buildings. All can use bat houses, but the females will seek out larger and hotter houses.

In the winter, little brown bats hibernate in clusters, in mines in NH and caves and mines in Vermont, Massachusetts and New York. There are not enough mines with the proper temperatures and humidity here in NH for all our summer bats, so most fly out of state to hibernate. In order to minimize evaporative losses, the humidity in these hibernation areas must be high, preferably over 90%. A constant temperature of 40 degrees F is desirable for hibernation. These conditions are also prime for the fungus, *Geomyces destructans*, that is the main agent in white-nose syndrome, which is killing hundreds of thousands of bats.

Life History: Little brown bats are insectivorous, eating a variety of insects such as moths, wasps, beetles, gnats, mosquitoes, midges and mayflies. They can eat 50% of their own body weight each evening. Pregnant females and those with pups eat even more insects.

These nocturnal mammals use echolocation to navigate and locate prey. They send out signals and listen for those signals to return, with sensitive hearing and huge ears to help them pinpoint the prey. They swoop and catch them in their mouths, but can use their wing and tail membranes to help as needed.

Sexual maturity is reached in 6 to 9 months for females and a year for males. Breeding occurs from September to October but the female stores the sperm for fertilization in the spring. The young are born from mid-June to early July. Little brown bats generally have one offspring per year, rarely two. The young become self-supporting within a month.



Happy March! We are on the homestretch to Daylight Savings and sunsets past 6 pm! Here's hoping the groundhog wasn't lying about his shadow and that spring is just around the bend!



- Story Time (Wednesday 3/6 and 3/19 (Ages 0-5) & Saturday 3/9 and 3/23 (Ages 5-9) at 10:30am): Join Storytime Steve for fun stories and a related craft or activity!
- Mario Kart Mayhem (Wednesday 3/13 at 3pm): Can YOU Beat The Librarians?
- Teens Make Pizza (Monday 3/18 at 3pm): Put on your pizza making hats and come hungry! To enjoy the fruits (or should we say pizza?) of your labor!
- Cardboard Club (Tuesday 3/19 at 3pm): Come build things out of cardboard to your hearts content!
- BINGO for Books (Thursday 3/21 at 4pm): Book BINGO! Ages 5-12 join us for a FREE even to WIN books!
- Mr. Steve's Showtime Storytime (Friday 3/29 at 5:30pm): Come see the multimedia event everyone is talking about.



- Chess Club (Mondays at 3pm): All ages and skill levels.
- Board Games for Idiots (Thursdays at 6pm): Plenty of games for a variety of skill levels.
- Sewing Group (Fridays at 10am): Bring your own materials and supplies.
- D&D Club (Saturday 3/30 at 1:30pm): Get ready for an adventure! Ages 13+, register beforehand.



- Pets & the Afterlife (Saturday 3/16 at 12pm): Learn how pets in spirit can send signals to the living, and wait for us in the afterlife.
- Yoga & Meditation (Wednesdays at 6pm): All levels are welcome; no experience in meditation or yoga is necessary. Event open for ages 21+.
- Steve's Cinema Corner (Wednesday 3/12 at 6pm): Join us to listen to Steve talk through an entire Oscar winning film!
- TSC Crafts (Thursday 3/14 at 12:15pm): Join us to create a felt and beaded angel ornament!
- Book Exchange (Tuesday 3/19 at 6pm) Bring a book wrapped and decorated with the genre and short description to swap. Best dressed book wins a prize!. Sign up on our website beforehand!
- Caroline Crafts (Tuesday 3/22 at 4pm): Join us to create rolled felt flowers!



- Nooner's Book Club (Tuesday 3/19 at 12pm): Join us for a cozy discussion of this month's pick!
- Books & Brews (Wednesday 3/20 at 3:30pm): A casual book discussion at Kettlehead Brewing Company.
- Cook Book Club (Monday 3/25 at 1pm): Grab this month's selection and make a recipe to bring to the meeting!
- Banned Book Club (Tuesday 3/26 at 5:30pm): Join us to discuss this months banned book.
- Crime Junkies (Friday 3/29 at 4pm): Read mysteries and true crime with us!



Hall Memorial Library wants you to know that we have both 1040 forms and 1040 -SR booklets for you! For FREE! You can print up to 10 copies of either form for free! They're available on the tower next to the main circle desk.

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PINES ANNUAL EASTER BREAKFAST

SATURDAY, MARCH 30, 2024 FROM 7:30 - 10:00AM

Come celebrate Easter with a delicious all you can eat country breakfast of pancakes, french toast, eggs, bacon, sausage, coffee, juice, etc. This is a community event, so bring your friends and family and enjoy the Easter festivities.

\$10.00 per adult & \$5.00 for children 3-12.

THE EASTER BUNNY WILL HOP BY FOR A VISIT
AROUND 8:30AM

REMINDERS:

- ☒ There is no school on Tuesday, March 12th, as there is a Teacher Workshop Day. The Pines will not have Vacation Camp due to voting.
- ☒ Town of Northfield voting is at the Pines on Tuesday, March 12th, 2024 from 7am-7pm.
- ☒ Saturday, March 17th is St. Patrick's Day!

2024 SUMMER PLAYGROUND PROGRAM

Register now for our Summer Playground Program for K-4th graders. This is an 8-week program beginning June 24th and ending August 16th. The program can be registered for weekly, so you can choose the weeks you want your child to come. Call or stop by for more info!

REGISTRATIONS PAID IN FULL BY FRIDAY, MAY 10TH
WILL RECEIVE A 10% DISCOUNT OFF THE TOTAL COST!

2024 COUNSELOR-IN-TRAINING PROGRAM

APPLICATIONS ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT THE PINES
& ON OUR WEBSITE.

CIT's - Completed grades 8-10

CIT's - \$210.00 (Base Rate) & \$200.00 (T-N Residents)

JCIT's - Completed grades 5-7

JCIT's - \$220.00 (Base Rate) & \$210.00 (T-N Residents)

2024 SUMMER CAMP RUNS FROM:
JUNE 24TH-AUGUST 16TH, 8:30AM-3:30PM

14TH ANNUAL PCC GOLF TOURNAMENT

SATURDAY, JUNE 8, 2024, SHOTGUN START AT 1:00PM
AT DEN BRAE GOLF COURSE

Come play in a fun and competitive tournament to raise money
for our non-profit organization.

EARLY REGISTRATION DISCOUNT DEADLINE: FRIDAY, MARCH
29TH - \$90.00PP/\$360.00 TEAM OF 4

After March 29th the price will be \$95.00pp/\$380.00 team of 4

UPCOMING TOWN EVENTS:

TOWN ELECTIONS ARE TUESDAY, MARCH 12TH, 2024

NORTHFIELD TOWN MEETING:
SATURDAY, MARCH 16TH @ 9AM

TILTON TOWN MEETING:
SATURDAY, MARCH 16TH @ 8AM

SCHOOL BOARD ANNUAL MEETING:
SATURDAY, MARCH 23RD @ 9AM

MARCH 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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3	4 Planning Board 7pm @ Town Hall	5 Selectboard 5pm @ Town Hall Fire Commissioners 5:30pm @ Tilton Town Hall	6	7	8 ZBA Application s Due by 5pm	9
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17 Happy St. Patrick's Day 	18 Annual Fire District Meeting 7pm @ High School School Board meeting 6pm @ Sanbornton Ctrl	19 Selectboard 5pm @ Town Hall	20 CIP 5:30pm @ Town Hall Conservation Commission 7pm @ Town Hall 	21	22	23 Annual School District meeting 9am @ High School
24	25 Zoning Board 7pm @ Town Hall	26	27	28 Parks Commission 5:30pm @ Town Hall	29	30
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