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SEEKING NEW MEMBERS

East Kingston's First Summer Market

by Zoe Sucu, Library Staff

Jones General Store and the East Kingston
Public Library have partnered together to start a
Summer Market! The market will be held at the
East Kingston Public Library on the front lawn in
the months of July, August and September. Jones
General Store will be hosting a simultaneous
beer and wine tasting. There will be live music
and lots of local artisans selling their wares.

The first Summer Market date will happen on **Sunday, July 17th from 11am - 2pm**. It's sure to be a blast!

Have questions? Email eastkingstonfarmersmarket@gmail.com for more.

Congratulations for EK Resident Chadd, owner of Cider Hill Cellars

submitted by Ellen Graham

SUCH happy news to share! Cider Hill Cellars' Summer hard cider was just awarded Best in Class Gold Medal for Modern Sweet Cider at the world's largest hard cider competition, the annual Great Lakes International Cider & Perry Competition (GLINTCAP) held in Grand Rapids, MI. Bravo to Chadd, @cidergregg, the field crew and the @ciderhillcellars team!!

About Summer

A light body and refreshing character created with a blend of heritage American apples. At first tart, Summer has a balanced sweetness and acidity with a flawless flavor that doesn't overwhelm the taste buds after only one glass. Summer is semi sweet with some residual sugar and gentle sparkle. Pairs well with lean meats, savory, or spicy foods.

From the Cidermaker

"From planting, pruning, picking, pressing, to fermentation, every aspect of what we do is guided towards producing cider of the highest quality. To be recognized in this way, especially when competing alongside cider makers from around the world, it feels really good." - Chadd Cook, Cider Hill Cellars Founder & Cidermaker



East Kingston Edition

Town of East Kingston www.eknh.org

Town Clerk & Tax Collector

(603) 642-8794 Monday: 8am - 5pm Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 8am - 2:30pm Wednesday: 5pm - 7pm

Town Administration

(603) 642-8406 Monday: 8am - 4pm Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 8am - 2:30pm Wednesday: 11am - 7pm

East Kingston Police

Emergency: 911 Non-Emergency: (603) 642-5427

East Kingston Fire

ekfd.org Emergency: 911 Non-Emergency: (603) 642-3141

East Kingston Public Library

eastkingstonlibrary.org
(603) 642-8333
ekpublib@comcast.net
Monday & Wednesday:
9am - 5pm
Tuesday & Thursday:
11am - 7pm
Friday & Saturday:
9am - 1pm

E. Kingston Elementary School

(603) 642-3511 EKES on the web: eks.sau16.org SAU16 on the web: sau16.org

Newsletter Deadlines

Submissions for the following month must be submitted by the 17th of each month. Send submissions to

newsletter@eastkingstonnh.gov

Please be aware that the pandemic may affect normal business hours. It may be best to call before attempting a visit.

Planning Board & Zoning Board of Adjustment

Both the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment are seeking East Kingston residents to serve as alternate members to the boards. Alternate members shall attend board meetings, participate in board discussions; however, may only vote on matters when a regular member is not able to do so.

The Planning Board meets on the third Thursday of each month, the Zoning Board of Adjustment meets on an as-needed basis reserving the fourth Thursday of the month for their meetings.

The Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment will host a series of open houses for recruiting alternate members during their regular meetings over the summer at 7:00pm at the Pound School located at 41 Depot Road on July 21, 2022 and August 18, 2022. (ZBA meetings for these months have not yet been determined.)

These open house sessions will provide opportunity for residents to learn more about the roles of the boards. More information may be obtained by logging onto www.eknh.org/news or emailing landboardsecretary@eastkingstonnh.org.

What is the Planning Board?

The planning board is an organized group of selected members of a community in charge of carrying out the future needs, wants, and vision of a community. This is accomplished through the planning board's regulatory and non-regulatory functions, which include the creation of regulations (subdivision and site plan review), drafting of zoning ordinances for placement on the March ballot, and updating the Master Plan and Capital Improvement Plan (Regulatory Function) and the review of development applications typically in the form of public hearings on subdivision proposals, site plan review proposals, and home occupation proposals (Non-Regulatory Function).

The Planning Board is comprised of five regular members and can have up to five alternate members.

1 Source (in part): NH Office of Planning and Development - The Planning Board in New Hampshire

What is the Zoning Board of Adjustment?

The Zoning Board of Adjustment is an organized group of selected members of the community who has the authority to act in four separate and distinct categories:

- 1. Appeal from Administrative Decision Hear and decide appeals if it is alleged there is error in any order, requirement, decision, or determination made by an administrative official;
- 2. Approval of Special Exception In appropriate cases and subject to appropriate conditions and safeguards, make special exceptions to the terms of the ordinance;
- 3. Grant of Variance Give permission to use a specific piece of property in a more flexible manner than allowed by the ordinance; and
- 4. Grants of Equitable Waivers of Dimensional Requirement Address situations where a good faith error was made in the siting of a building or other dimensional layout issue. 1
- 5. Like the Planning Board, the Zoning Board of Adjustment is comprised of five regular members and can have up to five alternate members.

Friends of EKPL (FoEKPL) News

by FoEKPL

"Happy Summer" from the Friends of the EKPL.

We'd like to extend a huge thank you to everyone who came out to support our annual **Book**, **Bake & Plant Sale** in May! We're grateful to the supporters who donated time, baked goods and plants to help create a tremendous selection and we're thankful for the many, many members of our community who visited to shop. We raised over \$800 and, for the second year in a row, we broke our prior sales record. WOW!







We hope you will plan on attending the next **Friends Quarterly Meeting on July 14th** (date change) from 6:00-7:30 at the EKPL (a Zoom link will be available). It's a great way to be part of the conversation on how the funds raised by the Friends group supports programming and other library needs.

As you make plans for the summer, consider taking advantage of the **free or discounted admission Museum Passes** that our fundraisers help support including passes for the American Independence
Museum, the Currier Museum of Art, The Museum of Fine Arts, The Museum of Science, the Peabody
Essex Museum, the Seacoast Science Center, Strawberry Banke and The Trustees. Check out the
EKPL Museum Passes webpage for details.

Summer is also a great time to visit the **Used Book Store (UBS) at the Pound School** to stock up on summer reads. The UBS is open Fridays 10-5 and Saturdays 10-1 (10-4 on Saturday July 29th for our Special Kids 5th Saturday event).

- Looking to learn more about a topic of interest? While supplies last, for only \$2, you can pick up a "Great Courses" DVD/Booklet set. Titles include Physics and our Universe, Mysteries of The Microscopic World, The Life and Death of Stars, Your Best Brain, What Science Knows About Cancer, and Secret Texts of the World
- July Specials at the UBS include:
 - HALF PRICE on our huge selection of books by John Grisham, David Balducci and Stephen Cannell.
 - HALF PRICE on all Science Fiction/Fantasy.
 - HALF PRICE on Earth, Environment & Evolution books

As always, thank you for your support! Please follow our new FaceBook Page "Friends of East Kingston Public Library", visit our webpage or email us at friendsofekpl@gmail.com for more information.

Conservation Easements Panel in East Kingston

by Vicki J. Brown, East Kingston Conservation Commission

Residents from East Kingston and Kensington learned the ins and outs of conservation easements at "Protect Your Land: Preserve Your Legacy," a panel discussion hosted by the East Kingston Conservation Commission on June 9,

2022.

Land Conservation Director Duane Hyde from Southeast Land Trust (SELT) presented a concise overview of the easement process, including pros and cons of easements. SELT has conserved thousands of acres of land for clean water, fresh food, wildlife, outdoor recreation and healthy forests. Hal Bodwell, a former dairy farmer whose family holds three conservation easements, shared his personal experience and the value of protecting the family land.

Open Space Pays

Two New Hampshire studies show that conserved land costs a town less than developed land, due to the increased services required for both residential and commercial land. Read or download the economic

impact studies on the East Kingston Conservation Commission webpage at www.eknh.org/conservation-

commission

Interested in conserving your land? Find tools and resources at www.eknh.org/conservation-commission or email the East Kingston Conservation Commission at EKConservation@gmail.com.

Town of East Kingston Solid Waste Removal & Recycle **Committee Members Wanted**

By Ron Morales, Chairman

The East Kingston Solid Waste Removal & Recycle Committee is seeking interested town residents to serve as members on the Solid Waste Removal & Recycle Committee. The Solid Waste Removal & Recycle Committee meets on a quarterly basis to review the past quarters performance metrics and to review action items for the upcoming quarter. . Experience is not required, but an understanding Microsoft Office is a plus.

Any person interested in serving should submit a letter of interest as follows:

Ron Morales, Chairman East Kingston Solid Waste Removal & Recycle Committee 24 Depot Road East Kingston, NH 03827 Alternatively, email to rmorales@EASTKINGSTONNH.GOV

Town of East Kingston **Trustee of Trust Funds** ALTERNATE MEMBERS **WANTED**

By Ron Morales, Trustee

The East Kingston Trustee of Trust Funds is seeking interested town residents to serve as alternate members on the Trustee of Trust Funds. Alternate members will participate as voting members when a regular member is absent or unable to serve on any matter. Alternate members are encouraged to attend all meetings to keep themselves informed and to familiarize themselves with Trustee procedures; however, this is not required. The Trustee of Trust Funds meets as required to act on requests for funds from the Capital Reserve and Capital Trust Funds and any other matters that come before the Trustees. Experience is not required, but an understanding of investments is desirable.

Any person interested in serving should submit a letter of interest as follows:

Ron Morales, Trustee East Kingston Trustee of Trust Funds 24 Depot Road East Kingston, NH 03827 Alternatively, email to rmorales@EASTKINGSTONNH.GOV

Summer Reading at the Library

by Tracy Waldron, Director

Summer has arrived at the library and with it, Oceans of Possibilities! Zoe has outdone herself making the library an undersea dream, complete with a pirate ship and a yellow submarine. We've had our biggest response ever; our kick off party was attended by over 70 people! There are so many fabulous programs what we are offering such as; meeting Nile the life-sized Humpback Whale and talking with a Seagull Scientist. Spaces are filling up fast, so come in and sign up soon. If the events are full, please put yourself on the waiting list as there are bound to be cancellations.



Please let us know as soon as possible if your plans change and you cannot attend anymore, as there are always people waiting. We want to make these programs available to as many people as possible and we cannot do that if spots are filled yet unattended.

High Heart Writing© Quick-Writes Workshop - July

by Jen Dervan

Theme: Embrace Your "Blocks"

The Quick-Write process – is a guided technique that invites you to swiftly bypass your mind, to find out what your inner voice has been trying to say. This session will focus on "blocks"; teasing them out, and inviting them in.

Wednesday July 13th, 6:30 - 7:30pm. Registration is required. Please call the library at (603) 642-8333 to add your name to the list.

Yoga Returns to the Library

by Zoe Sucu, Library Staff

After a brief hiatus, yoga is returning to the library! Starting July 11th, classes will be held on Mondays at 7pm and on Thursdays at 9am. Classes will be outside, weather permitting, and cost \$5 per class.

The class is taught by Angela Macero, a licensed massage therapist, certified yomassage practitioner and 200hr certified Hatha yoga instructor. She states: "I believe yoga is a place to connect with yourself, your breath and to find space to slow down. I'm looking forward to guiding you during this hour to find rest on your mat."

Preregistration is required. Call the library at (603) 642-8333 to sign up.

Important Dates

• July 11th @ 5:00pm - East Kingston Conservation Commission

 In-Person with Zoom Option. Meetings will be held at the Town Offices. More information can be found at <u>www.eknh.org/conservation-commission</u>.

• July 11th @ 6:30pm - Selectmen's Meeting

• <u>In-Person with Zoom Option</u>. Meetings will be held at the Town offices. The agenda, Zoom link, and more can be found on <u>eknh.org/selectmen</u>.

• July 14th @ 6:00pm - Friends of the East Kingston Library

• <u>In-Person with Zoom Option.</u> Meetings will be held at the East Kingston Public Library. The agenda, Zoom link, and more can be found at <u>eastkingstonlibrary.org/friends-of-ekpl</u>

July 21st @ 7:00pm - Planning Board

 In Person. Meetings are held at the Pound School. More information can be found at www.eknh.org/planning-board.

• July 25th @ 5pm - East Kingston Public Library Board of Trustees

 In Person with Zoom Option. Meetings will be held at the EK Public Library. The agenda, Zoom link, and more can be found at www.eastkingstonlibrary.org.

• July 25th @ 6:30pm - Selectmen's Meeting

 In-Person with Zoom Option. Meetings will be held at the Town offices. The agenda, Zoom link, and more can be found on <u>eknh.org/selectmen</u>.