



TOWN OF PEMBROKE MUNICIPAL NEWSLETTER

A Community Newsletter

Summer 2009

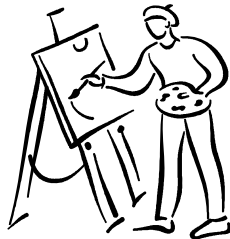
SEMI-QUINCENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

OLD HOME DAY WILL FEATURE STUDENT ART

Students from Pembroke and Allenstown have been preparing their entries for the third annual Meet Me In Suncook (MMIS) art contest. As in prior years, entries will be judged by juried artists and students K-12 will be eligible for prizes ranging from \$25 to \$150.

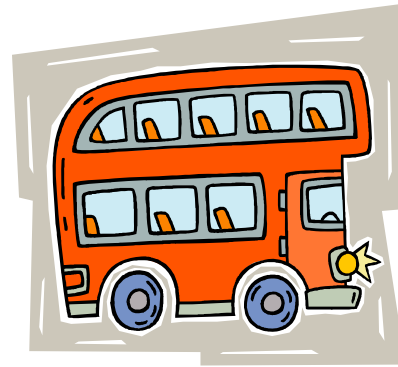
This year's theme dovetails with the celebration of Pembroke's 250th anniversary.

Students must find something of historical interest about Pembroke (including Suncook Village) and subjects may include buildings, farms and artifacts. The mediums that students may choose from include pencil/pen drawing, watercolor, colored markers, tempera paints, oil paints, photography (high resolution digital or traditional photos), silkscreen, metal engraving, stained glass, enhanced digital photography, pottery and tiles.



Watch for the MMIS tent at Memorial Field on Old Home Day (August 22, 2009) where the winning art will be displayed.

HISTORIC BUS TOUR



In conjunction with Pembroke's 250th Anniversary celebration and this year's Old Home Day, the Pembroke Historic Society and Meet Me In Suncook (MMIS) Committee will sponsor a tour of historic landmarks and homesteads. The bus tour will last approximately one and a half hours.

Please don't miss out! Register for this **free**, family event at Pembroke Town Hall by August 1, and at the MMIS booth at Old Home Day on August 22nd.

Dates: Saturday August 22, and
Sunday, August 23

Time: 2:00 pm on both days

Place: Leaving from and returning to
Pembroke Town Hall

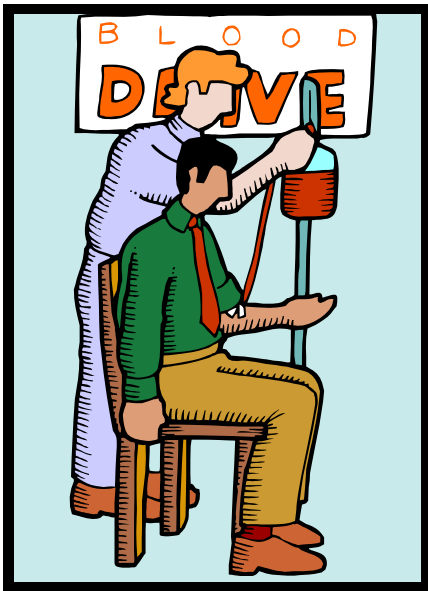


Dance on over to page 3 for further information on the Semi-quincentennial Ball!

Tickets are going fast...be sure to get yours!

**PEMBROKE POLICE
DEPARTMENT
Annual Blood Drive**

Monday August 17, 2009,
2:00 PM – 7:00 PM
Pembroke Village School,
30 High Street, Pembroke, NH



**PEMBROKE POLICE
DEPARTMENT
Neighborhood Watch**

Join Pembroke's Neighborhood Watch
E-mail list to get updates on criminal
activity in your neighborhood as well as
all department press releases
and arrest logs.

Contact Chief Scott Lane at 485-9173 or
slane@pembroke-nh.com
for more information.

**Pembroke Town Library
Annual Book and Bake Sale**

What better way to get ready for summer than to fill your selves with books.

The Annual Outside Book Sale will be held on June 6th from 8:00AM – 2:00PM (raindate is June 13th). It will be held on the front lawn of the Pembroke Town Library with tables upon tables of books that have yet to reach a sale here.

The Friends of the Pembroke Town Library will be hosting their annual bake sale during the book sale. If you would like to donate your favorite goodies, please sign up in the library.

Also, volunteers to set up and relocate the sale at the end of the day are needed. The sale will continue during the week following the sale in the Pine Grove Farm Room during the hours that the library is open. Give the library a call at 485-7851 if you have any questions.

Mary Louise Grandmason is retiring from the Pembroke Town Library on June 12, 2009. Please join us in the Pine Grove Farm Room for a reception at 2:00PM on the 12th in her honor.



PLANNING BOARD

Alternate Member Vacancies

Join the Planning Board and help guide the development of your community! We have three openings for alternate positions and are seeking civic-minded individuals who can commit to meeting twice per month and serve on the occasional subcommittee.

The Planning Board meets every second and fourth Tuesday at 7:00 PM at the Town Office. Come visit us at a meeting to hear what issues are before the Board.

To fill out a volunteer application, see Linda Williams, Administrative Secretary, in the Town Office or call her at 603-485-4747 Ext.201 and she will send you one.



**TOWN OF PEMBROKE
Semi-Quincentennial Ball**

**Fine dining, dancing
&
Good old fashioned fun!**

**Grappone Conference Center Ballroom
November 7, 2009**

**Come join the celebration! This is the final event of the
Semi-Quincentennial anniversary year. So be sure to purchase your
tickets before they are sold out!**

**There will be dinner and dancing (or just listening) to
the Bedford big band. Speakers and stories will abound!**

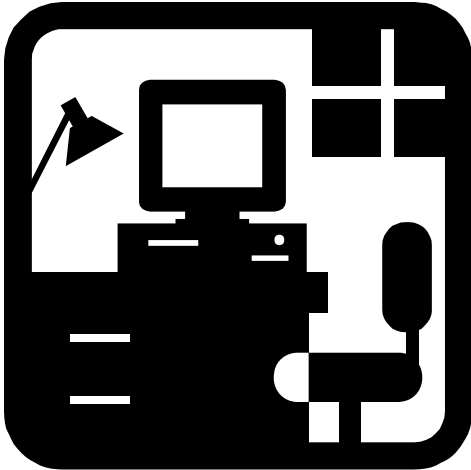
**☆ So please join us to dine, socialize with friends and dance the night
away. All are welcome**

**Tickets are \$50.00 each
Available at the town hall
And at Old Home Day**

**Block tickets may be purchased for
tables of ten. Contact Lorette Girard
at 485-7490 for reservations.**

FOR RENT

Is your office in your home? Is it too noisy to concentrate or becoming cramped? Pembroke has the solution. Office space is still available at 4 Union Street in Suncook Village. Whether you need one office or more, we have what you need. Call 485-4747/485-3352 for more information.



The Town of Pembroke Municipal Newsletter is produced by the Town Administration Department, Town of Pembroke, NH, and is distributed to resident property owners, renters, and businesses.

If anyone has an idea for the newsletter, please call
Linda Williams 485-4747 Ext. 201
or email
lwilliams@pembroke-nh.com.

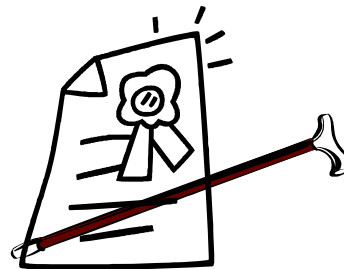
HEAR YE, HEAR YE

Searching for Town Elder
to be awarded the
Boston Post Cane



As part of the
Pembroke 250th Anniversary
celebration events, the Board of Se-
lectmen will be awarding the
Boston Post Cane to the
eldest senior in Pembroke.

If you are or know of a senior who
could be eligible to receive this
award, please contact
Linda Williams at the Town Hall
at 485-4747 Ext. 201.





CONSERVATION COMMISSION

If you noticed people wearing yellow vests walking around the woods on April 26th wandering aimlessly you might be relieved to know that they weren't lost. For our first annual "Monitoring Day" Pembroke's Conservation Commission and friends got out into the woods just before the bugs did to check on the status of our town's conservation lands. We also picked up garbage, tried to locate those elusive corner pins, and had a great time walking in the woods. If this sounds like the kind of volunteering you'd like to do then please contact Town Hall or come to one of our meetings, 7:00 pm the second Monday of the month at Town Hall. We still have properties left to monitor (they all need to be done every year) and we always welcome interested individuals to our events.

A special thanks goes to Planning Board member and Conservation Committee liaison, Jeffrey White. Jeff, his family and a group of other caring residents spent a weekend cleaning up the White Sands area. Jeff writes *"I'd like to send along to the entire committee this short note about the cleanup the guys, our kids, and my wife did down at White Sands over the weekend. I was able to get a key to the gate and with the help of 11 people and some trucks to haul out the heavy stuff we were able to get two full truck loads of trash, tires, complete car interiors and other junk out of the woods over the course of 4 hours. We started off at the gate, went into the woods by the river and worked our way up past the White Sands beach, then we went up the power lines as well down to the sand pit."*

In a couple more weekends we are going to do the wooded area between Nadine Rd. and the dirt road that goes down to White Sands; specifically the conservation area. I'm sure that there is at least another full truck load of stuff to be taken out. There is an old washing machine that is in one of the small streams that we will need to winch out. Interested in helping? Contact us!"



If you would like to help keep our community and conservation areas trash free, call Town Hall at 485-4747 Ext. 201 and leave your name and number.

The hard working crew at the Highway Department does their part to keep the town litter free, but with the very short summer season in New Hampshire they are very busy with lots of other projects that can only be done during warm weather. That is why the volunteers that come together in the true sense of "community" and do their part to keep Pembroke trash free are so greatly appreciated. It is easy to say "someone should pick stuff up around here" but the members of our Pembroke Community that take it upon themselves to pick the stuff up and make our small part of the world better are to be truly appreciated. Thanks to those special citizens for all they do!

PARK USE

On Saturday April 25th Comcast employees and their family members met at Memorial Field with volunteers from Little League for “Comcast Cares Day”. Over 200 people showed up and they did a fantastic job painting, clearing brush, raking leaves, and general upkeep of the buildings. Thank you for all you did to keep our park looking great!!

We would like to remind users of the park who see any mischievous activities and have a cell phone to please call Pembroke Police dispatch at 485-3421.

Residents are reminded that dogs are to be LEASHED at all times. It is the down owner’s responsibility to clean up after their dog. Please be considerate of other people who use the park and pick up immediately after your dog. Two Doggie Bag Stations have been placed at the entrances of the park. We would like to thank all dog walkers who have used these bags to pick up after their dogs. Also dogs **are not** allowed inside the fenced ball fields. Thank you for your cooperation.

SWIM LESSONS

The Town has reserved the pool at Southern New Hampshire University for swimming lessons. Eight lessons will take place on Mondays and Tuesdays starting on June 29th. The swim dates are June 29 & 30, July 6 & 7, 13 & 14, and 20 & 21.

All lessons/classes will be held between 9:00am to 11:00am. Your child will be placed in an appropriate class on the first session held on June 29th. Cost of the lessons will be \$35 for Pembroke residents and \$45 for Allenstown residents. Children must have completed first grade to take lessons. Children must sign up by Friday June 19th. Enrollment is limited so please sign up early to guarantee your lessons. Forms are available at the Pembroke Town Hall and the area schools.

SUMMER RECREATION

The summer program will start Wednesday July 8 and end Wednesday August 12. Forms are available at the Town Hall and the area schools. There is a \$15.00 registration fee to sign up each child which will include a camp tee shirt.

The five week program will cost \$26.00 per week plus the cost of trips. Usually two trips a week are taken. Enrollment will be limited.

Children that have completed grades 1-6 are eligible. Junior high students are encouraged to sign up with the Suncook Boys and Girls Club.

TENNIS LESSONS

Tennis lessons will be held again this summer. The eight lessons will take place at Pembroke Academy. More information will be made available at the area schools and the Town Hall in June.

ARC REGATTA

Make plans to attend the Amoskeag Rowing Club’s Regatta. This year the event will be held on Saturday, October 10th.



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

ROAD WORK CREWS

Public Works road crews will soon be out cleaning drainage ditches, cutting grass and brush by the roadside, and performing other road maintenance tasks. If you see those big orange warning signs, please be courteous, slow down and proceed with caution. Roadside work is a dangerous job and by slowing down and using caution you lessen the danger to the road crew and yourself.

EXCAVATION PERMITS

If you need to excavate within the Town's right of way you'll need to obtain a Street Excavation Permit from the Department of Public Works. Street Excavation Permits are \$150.00 and you must have a Dig Safe Number and a current Certificate of Insurance naming the Town of Pembroke as Certificate Holder.

DRIVEWAY PERMITS

Driveway permits must be obtained from the Public Works Garage at 8 Exchange St. before commencing any work on your driveway.

Driveway Permit Fees:

New Construction:	\$15.00
Re-Construction:	\$15.00
Modifications:	\$15.00
Pavement overlay	
existing pavement:	\$0.00
Driveway Sealing:	No Permit Required

DIG SAFE

In the coming months, homeowners will be outside working in their yards. You or your contractor may be installing a new mailbox or installing an irrigation system for that beautiful green lawn. If you you're your contractor plan on digging within 100 feet of underground utilities or are not sure if there are underground utilities in the area where you are digging you must premark the area using white stakes, paint, or flags and call Dig Safe (1-888-DIG-SAFE) 72 hours or 3 business days prior to digging. The Dig Safe Call Center will transmit the information about your upcoming excavation to member utility companies. In turn, the utility companies who own or maintain buried facilities in the area of excavation use spray paint or flags to mark the location of the lines. This is a free service, funded entirely by Dig Safe's member utility companies. If you would like more information, please call the Public Works Department at 485-7575 or visit www.digsafe.com.

DRIVEWAY CULVERT PIPES

Per NH RSA **§236:13, VI** the property owner has continuing responsibility for the maintenance of driveway culvert pipes whether or not they are located within the public right-of-way. With flood season approaching, please make sure your driveway culvert pipes are clean of organic material and debris so that water may drain properly therefore reducing hazards.

STREET LIGHTS

Please inform the Public Works Department if you should notice a street light that is out, flickering, damaged or if it stays on all the time make a note of the nearest address and/or the pole number if possible and call the Public Works Department Office at 485-4422.

SPRING CLEANUP

The Department of Public Works conducted its yearly spring cleanup from April 20th to May 1st. If you missed the collection you may bring your yard waste to the transfer station.

CURBSIDE PICKUP

This is a reminder to all residents that curbside pickup should only be **bagged household rubbish**. The containers can neither exceed 40 pounds in weight nor 35 gallons in volume and must be put out by 7:00 am. The Pembroke Public Works Department **will not** pick up microwaves, television sets, miscellaneous appliances, tires, or demolition. These items have to be brought to the Transfer Station located at 8 Exchange Street. Feel free to call 485-4422 with questions.

If your rubbish day falls on a holiday your trash pickup day will change for that week, see the schedule below. If your rubbish day **does not** fall on a holiday, nothing changes for you. See the Curbside Holiday Schedule for details.



2009 Pembroke Curbside Pickup Holiday Schedule		
Regular Date	Holiday	Pickup Date
MON 05/25/09	Memorial Day	TUES 05/26/09
FRI 07/03/09	Independence Day Observed	THUR 07/02/09 (Double Route)
MON 09/07/09	Labor Day	TUES 09/08/09
MON 10/12/09	Columbus Day	TUES 10/13/09
WED 11/11/09	Veterans Day	TUES 11/10/09
THUR 11/26/09	Thanksgiving Day	FRI 11/27/09 (Double Route)
FRI 12/25/09	Christmas Day	THUR 12/24/09 (Double Route)
FRI 01/01/10	New Year's Day	THUR 12/31/09 (Double Route)
2009 Pembroke Transfer Station Closings		
Independence Day (July 4, 2009) Old Home Day (August 22, 2009) Transfer Station's Normal Hours are: Tuesdays & Saturdays 7:30 am – 3:30 pm		



SOLID WASTE

And

RECYCLING NEWS

The Town of Pembroke has some exciting new changes heading its way! Residents voted at the Town Meeting in March to approve a major change in the trash and recycling in Pembroke. Those who now have weekly collection through the Department of Public Works will now have curbside pick-up of their recycling as well.

How will this work? Residents will need to buy two wheeled carts. The new carts and truck will be unveiled at Old Home Day and at the Town Hall in mid-summer. One cart will be for your recyclables and the other for your trash. The new automated collection truck will have a single driver that operates a mechanical arm to empty the special carts.

Pembroke's Youngest Recycler

This new program will make it so much easier, as there is no need to sort recyclables! Pembroke's NEW! single stream recycling program will allow residents to put all of their recyclables in one cart.

Planning is already underway! The Solid Waste and Recycling Committee is currently working with the Department of Public Works and the Board of Selectmen to get proposals from potential vendors. We put these jobs "out to bid" to ensure that we are getting the most competitive pricing and save you money.

We will be:

Refurbishing the old packer truck to be used at the schools and at the Transfer Station, and as a backup purchasing a new split-body automated collection truck, which will have one compartment for trash and another for recycling; and special wheeled carts for each residence – one for trash and one for recycling.

The timing of the startup of the new program depends on the equipment delivery schedules and the Town's cash flow. Meanwhile, please continue to recycle mixed papers and plastic, metal and glass containers at the Pembroke Transfer Station.

Reminders:

- This new program does not apply to the commercial sector or to residents of condominium or other residential complexes where private haulers collect trash.
- Transfer Station users will also be required to recycle, once the new program is implemented.



SUMMERTIME AND THE READING IS EASY

The summer reading program at the Pembroke Town Library will begin on June 24th with signups to begin a summer of reading for enjoyment.

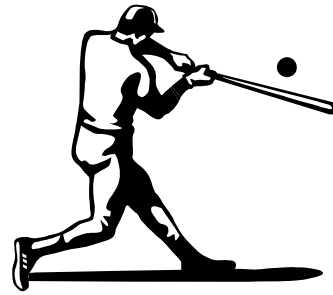
As in years past, each 30 minutes that a child reads, one ticket will be placed in the treasure chest for the drawings at the finale on August 5th.

Tuesdays at 10:30AM we will have our non-readers story time with a craft. The first meeting will be June 30th when we read about the bugs of summer. The themes to follow will be: the beach, vacation time, summer fun and games, friends and the finale on August 4th to celebrate reading!

Wednesday evenings at 6:30PM will be the traditional family night. July 1st will begin the fun with our 4th annual worm race. No one will want to miss July 8th when **Steve Blunt** will be here with his world famous children's music. July 15th will be the movie "The Kids Who Saved Summer", a five-star family movie. July 22nd features the puppets and storytelling of **Martha Dana**, another must see! July 29th is a new program to Pembroke "Reptiles on the Move" which is presented by a group from Concord and you will not want to miss seeing real, live reptiles! Sorry, no dinosaurs.

Thursday mornings at 10:30AM will be craft time for the readers in our group. Projects include a memory board, sand art, making games, using recyclables to make puppets and the bugs of summer. Signups for this program is a must so that there will be enough supplies for everyone.

Summer reading materials will be available AFTER June 1st and signups will begin on June 24th. The finale will be held on August 5th so all reading logs must be turned in and tickets prepared by August 4th at 6:00PM.



SIGN UP FOR THE SEMI-Q SOFTBALL GAME

A softball game between Pembroke and Allentown will be held at Memorial Field on Friday, August 21, 2009 as part of the Semi-quincentennial festivities. The game will begin at 6:00 pm. There will be 25 players (male and female) selected from each town. Players must be 18 years of age or older. They will be asked to wear a t-shirt that displays the name of the town they represent and bring their own glove.

Sign up for the game will be on a first come, first served basis. Sign up sheets will be available at Lavalley Oil, 49 Glass Street in downtown Suncook. Players will need to provide their name, age, and the town they represent. Anyone who would like to volunteer as manager for their town's team or serve as an umpire should contact Regis Lemaire at 485-9817.

(Summertime Reading Continued)

This program is open to children up to age 12, but a program will be available for those that are a little bit too old for the traditional program. June 1st, information on the summer program for ages 12 – 15 years will be available.

Adults will not be left out. There will be a July book group formed to usher in the 250th anniversary of the Town of Pembroke.



PEMBROKE AND ALLENSTOWN OLD HOME DAY

THEME: "A PAGE OUT OF HISTORY"

DATE: Friday, August 21, 2009

Saturday, August 22, 2009

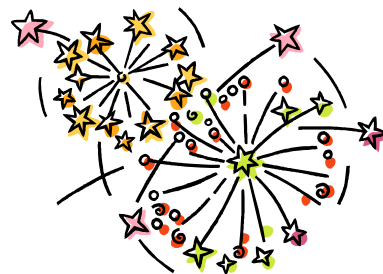
In conjunction with Pembroke's Semi-Quincentennial (a/k/a 250th Anniversary), this year's OHD festivities are scheduled to begin on Friday, August 21, 2009/ Supplementary activities include a Pembroke vs. Allenstown ballgame, historic bus tours, expanded parade, and varied entertainment, along with additional fireworks. Watch for the Old Home Day program at your local businesses.

Saturday entertainment highlights are:

- Main Street stage - The Amoskeag Strummers (pre parade)
- Parade

Memorial Field Stage

- 60's Invasion Band
- Jungle Encounters - wildlife demonstration
- Double Vision - juggling and high wire act
- Brownie McIntosh "Pirates" - theater comedy act
- Concord Coachmen Chorus
- Undercover Operatives Concert



Throughout the day enjoy an antique and classic vehicle exhibit, petting zoo, pony and hay wagon rides, balloon artists, crafts, clowns, children's games, face painting, inflatables, food, music, demonstrations and fire apparatus. At dusk, grand fireworks sponsored by **AG of New England**.

WANTED

- **Floats:** Interested in entering a float in the parade call Jocelyn (485-3352). Awards will be given to floats based on creativity, theme and originality.
- **Crafters:** Reserve your spot early by calling Joy (892-0078).
- **Antique Vehicles:** If you would like to display an antique or classic car, tractor, or truck in the parade call Doc (485-3770).
- **Food Vendors:** Space is limited, so reserve a space by calling Chuck (485-5912)
- **Volunteers:** Anyone wishing to help in any way please call Pat (224-7324).
- **Parade:** Entries (marching units, clowns, bands, etc.) call Pat (224-7324).
- **OHD Committee Membership:** Become a part of our friendly dedicated team.
- **Raffle Prizes:** New items, gift certificates or monetary donations appreciated call Fred (485-7962). We thankfully accept individual and business contributions.
- **Non-profit Organizations:** Join in our celebration.

The Pembroke and Allenstown Old Home Day Committee meet at Pembroke Town Hall at 6:30 pm on the last Monday of the month. OHD welcomes and encourages interested parties to join us and graciously accepts new ideas. For more information please call Pat or Steve (224-7324).

DID YOU LICENSE YOUR DOG?

All dogs must be licensed by April 30th, if the dog is over 3 months old! A \$1 per month late fee will be assessed as of June 1st.

AND!

Per RSA 466:14 you will be liable for a \$25 civil forfeiture plus up to a \$5 service fee if the dog is not licensed by June 20th!

You must bring the rabies certificate with you to the Town Clerk.

Town Clerk's hours of operation are:

Monday through Friday 8:00 am to 4:00 pm
and
Wednesday evenings 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm

Oh Oh, I hope they remembered to get my license!



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