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Erving, MA 01344

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## AROUND TOWN

*An Erving Community Newsletter*

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### MASSACHUSETTS COLLECTORS & TREASURERS ASSOCIATION

Jennifer Eichorn, Treasurer of the Town of Erving was recently awarded a Certificate designating her as a Certified Massachusetts Municipal Treasurer.

This certification was conferred by the Board of Certification of the state-wide organization of local Tax Collectors and Treasurers, the Massachusetts Collectors and Treasurers Association. Certification is awarded only after candidates have been in office a minimum of three years. They must attend, for a minimum of three years, the Association's Annual School at UMass Amherst in August each year and complete a rigorous schedule of required courses. Lastly, they must successfully pass their Certification Board's examination, covering such subjects as municipal finance law, property and motor vehicle tax laws and collections, cash management and numerous other subjects, which are of concern to public finance officials.

Erving Recreation invites you to

*Happy*  
**HO HO HO**

Meet Santa and enjoy delicious  
bagels (and more!) at this fun  
family event



**Sunday, December 10**

10 am - Noon

Erving Senior/Community Center  
Care Drive, Erving MA

Supported by Erving taxpayers. Thank you.

**Have a Business/Community Event In Erving?**

**We will put in the Around Town for Free!**

**Please send your ad photo ready by the 12<sup>th</sup> of the month before publication to:**

[ervingaroundtown@comcast.net](mailto:ervingaroundtown@comcast.net)

# December 2023 Updates From the Town Planner

**Mariah Kurtz | 413-250-5717 | [mariah.kurtz@erving-ma.gov](mailto:mariah.kurtz@erving-ma.gov)**

What does a Town Planner do? Depending on how large the municipality is, a Town may have one planner, like Erving, or a large department with many specialists. Some examples of the work that I do: project management working with contractors and consultants on construction and long-range planning projects, I support several committees, and I communicate with residents and legislators about current issues. I always encourage residents to call or visit town hall to ask questions about ongoing or upcoming projects.

## **Church Street & North Street**

MassDOT's design approval for the new bridge is an arduous process which we have spent a year navigating. This process allows us to use \$1.6 million in state funding for the project, which will cover 100% of the bridge cost, but increases the amount of up-front design work.

## **Police Department Electric Vehicle Charger**

The Town received grant funding through MassDEP to install an electric vehicle charger at the Police Department to charge the electric cruiser as well as public vehicles (for a fee). This project is underway and we hope it will be completed by the end of the calendar year. Improvements to the sidewalks around the building are being completed at the same time.

## **Public Art at Erving Public Library**

There is an open call for a temporary natural materials sculpture to be installed on the corner lawn at the library next spring. The call is open until December 15 and the selected artist will receive a \$12,000 grant for the installation. More information is posted on the Town website under "open bids", and we encourage any artist age 18+ and a US resident to submit a proposal!

## **Senior Housing**

The Senior Housing Committee is reviewing a proposal from a developer for Senior Housing on Care Drive. This is an exciting project that is 15-20 years in the making!

## **Swamp Road Bridge**

The Town was awarded a grant from MassDOT for design work which will supplement the work we already have underway. The work on the feasibility study has not progressed as quickly as originally hoped, so while we originally hoped to having concepts to present the public this fall, we do not have those in hand yet.

## **Wheelock Street Culverts**

This project wrapped up in November. Two culverts have been successfully replaced, and paid for with grant funds!

**Mariah Kurtz, Town Planner**

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## Elected Official Vacancies for the School Committee & Recreation Commission

The Town of Erving would like to announce one (1) vacancy on the Recreation Commission and one (1) vacancy on the School Committee. These vacancies are for elected positions. In accordance with MGL Chapter 41, Section 11, the Select Board is seeking interested residents to serve in these positions until the Annual Town Election in 2024. To be considered, an interested person must be a registered voter of the Town of Erving.



The **School Committee** is a five (5) member elected Board that establishes educational goals and policies for Erving Elementary School consistent with the requirements of the law. Each member is expected to attend all meetings and participate in subcommittees. Members are also encouraged to attend the Union 28 District quarterly meetings.



The **Recreation Commission** is a five (5) member elected Board that provides youth sports, recreational programs, and special events for Erving residents. The Commission does so while overseeing the use and development of the Town's five (5) parks and playgrounds.

If you are interested, please send a written letter of interest that identifies the position that you are interested in serving in and that includes your name, address, and contact information. It may be helpful to include an explanation of your education, training, experience, and other interests that would lend itself to the position sought.

Letters of interest are due by **Wednesday, December 13, 2023**.

**Letters can be sent by mail to:**

Erving Select Board

12 East Main Street

Erving, Massachusetts 01344

Or by email to: [volunteer@erving-ma.gov](mailto:volunteer@erving-ma.gov).

**FIRST : A HUGE THANK YOU !**

**SECOND : A NEW PROJECT; DOES SOMEONE WANT TO HELP ?**

First, I simply do not know how to thank the Rec Commission for and I can't explain the feeling that comes with, the honor of having what many called "The Little Park" or "The Triangle Park" actually given the name HAMMOCK PARK to recognize what my wife, Kathleen, and I had done to help out in Erving over the last 50 years. Nothing we ever did was done to get such recognition; we just liked to contribute to our Community. This was so totally unexpected, appreciated and such an honor ! Thank you! Thank you!

That leads me into the Second part of this article.

Shortly after the Park dedication, during the Fall Festival, a question appeared on the Erving Community online page asking "Could someone explain what the Hammocks' have done?"

That was a polite, and very reasonable, question asked by someone who would just like to know. That question deserves a reply, and I can/will answer the question, BUT would you please consider the project below.

I am asking for help to answer a few OTHER questions that absolutely need to be answered if we care about, and if we want to document things for, the History of Erving.

There are other places in Erving, that we ride by every day, that were named after others who did a lot for Erving but do YOU know who they were, or what they did, to deserve having a street, or a place, or something else named after them? I certainly do not know all the places, or the stories behind them.

With the help of many of YOU I would like to gather information about Bob Baine Square or the place dedicated to Al Constantine, or the Dennis Rindone Roadway, Kavanaugh Way, the Pearl Care Fire Station/ Historical Society Building, Zilinski Field, why was a place called Stoneville?

Who were the people many of our streets were named after? I was told Bill Wheelock built a house on what is now Wheelock Street. Who was he? Holmes Street, Grant Way, Semb Drive, and there ARE others, I expect, that I am not, yet, aware of. I will document what Kathy and I have done. Do you want to help document others? WHAT OTHER places do you know exist but don't know much about? If we do not document this, NOW, who ever will?

Please call me! My cell number is 912 271 5801 Thanks! Dan Hammock

# Erving Police Department

December 2023



## Did you miss me?

Greetings from Officer Farley Ledger the Town of Erving Elf. I am so excited to join the Erving Police Department during the holiday season. My job is to watch and listen, then report to my boss each night if you've been naughty or nice.

You can find me each day in a fun new place until Christmas Eve. Watch for my adventures. If you see me out and about with the Erving Police Officers, please help keep my magic safe by not touching me. Let's get ready for fun!

## Special events

- Holiday Bazaar, Sat. Dec. 2, Erving Senior Center
- Erving PD & Giving Back Together, Toy Drive, Dec. 2, front of Erving Public Library



**Available Saturday  
Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 8:30 – 2:00**

**Get your K9 Ziva apparel!**

**Tee shirt \$20**

**Sweatshirt \$40**

**All funds go to support  
the Erving Police K9 fund.**

## DO YOU HAVE 5 OR 10 MINUTES?

I believe you may be reading this in late November or early December. In the next couple of months I plan walk around most of the streets in Erving and I will very likely knock on your door! I am not doing this to ask you a bunch of questions. By putting this in the Around Town now it gives you time to think about what questions YOU may have about our Town finances. My brief visit will be to at least try to answer some questions you may have and to, also, leave you with some information that I believe most Erving residents are not aware of.

TO BE CLEAR, I am not representing the Finance Committee and I am not representing the Board of Assessors. I am a member of both but I am walking around to talk with you, to listen to you, and answer your questions if I can.

I am doing this totally on my own, not in any way for, or connected to, the Board of Assessors or the Finance Committee. I am NOT coming around to look at your house!

When I stop by, if you have five minutes to talk with me that's great and I'll talk longer if you wish but if you don't have the time, or don't want to talk to me at all, that's fine too. That is all totally up to you. If you agree to talk with me for a few minutes I do want to give each of you some information I sincerely believe you will be interested in, unless you really don't mind paying maybe hundreds of dollars you don't have to pay.

I look forward to seeing you!

Dan Hammock

**F R E E !!**

## **Got your attention?**

If I could show you a way YOU can make Erving even nicer than it already is, (I am sure WE CAN do that) AT ZERO COST TO YOU, would you be interested? It may take about 15 minutes of effort from you. Read on!

This is not a trick question! This is something most people can easily do. It may also be a FAMILY FRIENDLY thing to do together, from kids to grandparents! You might even want to do a good deed and help a senior citizen or neighbor if they want to do this but need a little help. This is not hard at all.

If there is support from the community (that's you) I have something to donate that will, over time, make Erving one of the most beautiful places to live (and to travel thru) in all of Massachusetts. I'll explain why that matters at the end of this page. This will cost you nothing but may, over time, save you a few dollars.

You see, over the past few years I have bought over 50 Flowering Azalea and Rhododendron plants. They are now about 24 to 36 inches tall. Most are in pots; they don't even weigh ten pounds, and I will deliver them too FOR FREE! I want to give one of these plants to any home willing to put the plant where it can be clearly seen from Rte. 2 or Rt 63 as people drive past. If I don't run out of plants there will be free plants for side streets too.

The "tiny bit of effort" for you (fun to do with kids too) would be digging a small hole in the ground that is only about 12 inches deep and about 16 inches in diameter. Over a period of 20 years these DO grow into bigger plants but you can easily snip off some branches to keep them from getting bigger than you want. They should be planted at least 6 feet from any building or driveway, not close to a sidewalk, and not on top of any underground pipes or wires. You also can't plant on a "Tree Belt" or on Town or State road right of way land.

Planting is not at all difficult. I have been planting things for over 65 years and I can easily help you get a plant into the ground! If you get the small hole dug before the ground deeply freezes (put the dirt from the hole into a bucket or on top of a trash bag) I'll bring a plant to you and it will take less than 5 minutes to fill in the hole! Give it a bit of water then wait until Spring. Most will live, a few may not. Why not give it a try?

Can you just picture Erving, with beautiful flowering plants from one end of town to the other, East to West and North to South? Planting these few plants is ONLY A START! Can you picture Bright Yellow Forsythias first, hundreds of Daffodils next, then the Tulips, Azaleas, Rhododendrons, Iris, Day Lilies, Phlox, Daisies, Black Eyed Susans, Lupines, ALL OVER TOWN ? !!

WE CAN do this but only if you want to! All it takes is DECIDE to do it, grab a shovel, and give me a call!

WHY do this? Taxes (UGH) are mostly paid from two places: Businesses and Home/Property owners. Tourists come to a town, "see the sights" stop in and SUPPORT our small business so the businesses can better afford to pay taxes, THEN TOURISTS GO HOME! You and I do not pay to send their kids to our schools. Tourists do not put big daily strain on our Police, Fire, Highway, Water/Sewer systems etc.

If people will come from miles away to see the only 400 FOOT LONG Bridge of Flowers in Shelburne /Buckland do you think they might come thru Erving to see about NINE MILES of flowers on Rte63 from the Millers River to Northfield, about TEN MILES on Rte2 between the French King and Wendell Depot Bridges?

This will not make business owners rich, or save each of us gobs of money, but every little bit helps AND we will all get to live in an even more amazingly beautiful Town!

If you want a plant Please text or call me at 912 271 5801

Thanks!

Dan Hammock

# ERVING PUBLIC LIBRARY 2023 BOOK CLUB

★ **FINAL MONTH:** ★  
**READ A BOOK PUBLISHED IN 2023!**

**Year-end celebration for all who have been reading along with the Erving Book Club's participation in the Mass Center for the Book Reading Challenge!**

**Raffle for all attendees to have a chance to win a swag-bag and a gift certificate to Federal Street Books!**

**Ask a librarian for 2023 recommendations and log your reading at [massbook.org/readingchallenge](https://massbook.org/readingchallenge)**

**RSVP suggested so that we can have enough limited-edition prizes for all.  
Look forward to seeing you there!**

**Join us for a quiet evening of discussion and light refreshments!**

**Thu., December  
28th, 5:30 pm**



**2 CARE DRIVE, OFF ROUTE 63 · (413) 423-3348 · [LIBRARY@ERVING-MA.GOV](mailto:LIBRARY@ERVING-MA.GOV)**



Erving Public Library

# FOREST HEALTH LECTURE SERIES

Brought to you also by FirstLight, Land Stewardship, Inc.,  
Harvard Forest, and the MA Department of Conservation & Recreation

OCT. 19

Invasive Plants  
Joan Deely  
Land Stewardship, Inc.

NOV. 16

Invasive Forest Insects  
& Climate Change  
Audrey Barker Plotkin  
Harvard Forest

DEC. 21

Aerial Surveys and  
Local Deforestation  
Nicole Keleher  
MA DCR

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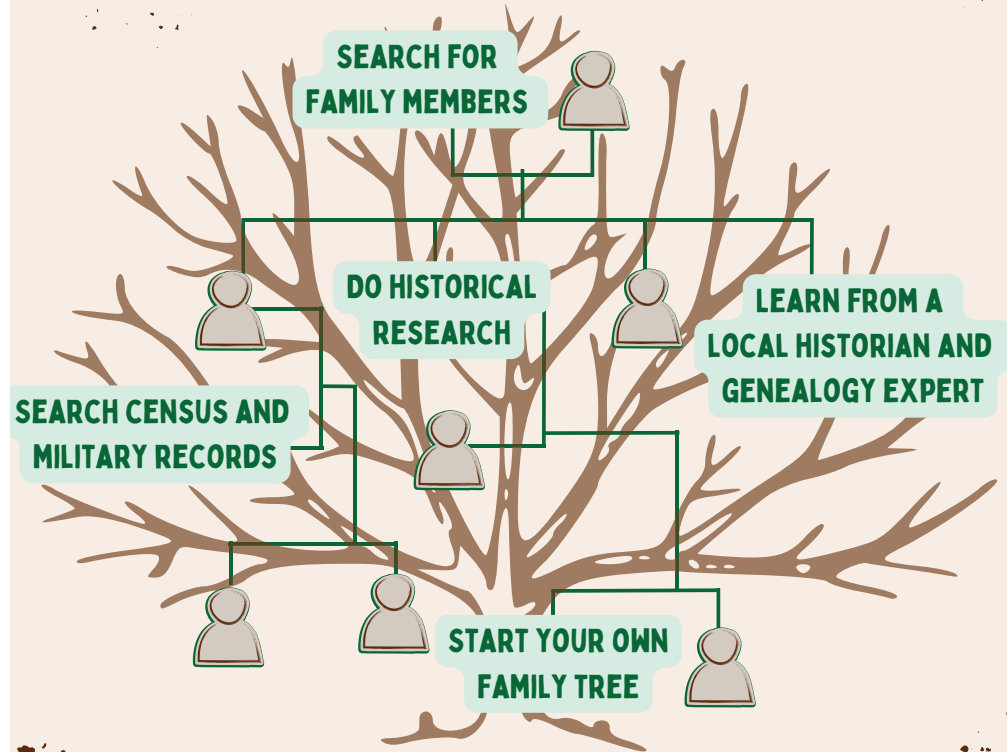
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(413) 423-3348 library@erving-ma.gov erving-ma.gov/library

Erving Public Library

# Genealogy Drop-In Help

WITH PHILIP JOHNSON & SARA CAMPBELL



Second Sundays, 1-3pm

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library@erving-ma.gov (413) 423-3348 erving-ma.gov/library

ERVING PUBLIC LIBRARY

# All-Abilities Social



**EVERYONE**  
*is welcome here!*



Food provided at all events!

Please let the library know if you have special food needs.

**WEDNESDAY**  
**DEC. 27**  
**11AM-1PM**

&

**THURSDAY**  
**DEC. 28**  
**5-7PM**

These activities are made possible by the LTC Access Grant. Libraries Transforming Communities: Accessible Small and Rural Communities is an initiative of the American Library Association (ALA) in collaboration with the Association for Rural & Small Libraries (ARSL).

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ERVING-MA.GOV/LIBRARY (413) 423-3348

ERVING PUBLIC LIBRARY

# Afterschool Activities

Any day we're open, you can find:

- Coloring activities
- A scavenger hunt
- Board & card games
- Video games in Teen Room for kids 11+
- Research help from a librarian
- Access to computers & printing
- Snacks provided by community members and the Friends of the Library



**Wednesdays Afternoons:**  
A family movie & crafts  
in the MakerSpace with Jean



*Caregiver supervision required for all kids 10 years old and younger.*

2 CARE DR. OFF ROUTE 63 ERVING-MA.GOV/LIBRARY

Dear Erving Residents:

The purpose of my letter is to clear up some confusion regarding Article 2 (Amend FY2024 Elected Officials Compensations) from the Special Town Meeting held on October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2023. After speaking with many constituents, it seems many were under the impression that this was part of the 2 ½ override. It was not. It will NOT raise your tax bill as this money was already appropriated. This vote was meant to be a formality of raises ALL Town Employees received for FY24. Since Elected Officials compensation is voted by the residents, it had to be presented and voted on.

Most of the attention to this increase in compensation was on the Treasurer's position (30 hours weekly). I would like to share with you the roles and responsibilities of my position. Here they are:

1. Responsible for deposits, transfers, investments, disbursements and reconciliation of all town funds. Balancing, tracking and protecting all town bank accounts, investments and trust funds in accordance with state and federal laws and regulations. Prepares cash flows and budgets for general fund expenditures, bonds and department expenditures. Collaborating and communicating with the school, all town departments, town committees, banks and investment firms as required.
2. Overseeing the town's payroll process including the administration of employee benefits regarding taxes, health and life insurances, DOR attachments, retirement issues, and any other questions or human resource problems or concerns from employees.
3. Maintains a cash book that shows all receipts and disbursements on a daily basis.
4. Reconciles all receivables with the Town Accountant and works closely with that department on a weekly basis.
5. Administers all employee benefits, including but not limited to health, dental, vision, and life insurance, COBRA, retirement, deferred compensation, and 403B's.
6. Manages tax title accounts, initiates legal action, prepares tax taking, advertises and posts, takes tax title properties to land court, calculates payments and interest for tax title payoffs. Prepares all related documents for tax titles, foreclosures and redemptions.
7. Maintains tax title files, post payments and reconciles accounts. If necessary, holds auctions and land of low values. Works with attorney, banks, real estate agents, taxpayers. Follow-up on bankruptcy notices, proof of claims and continuance of liens.
8. Issue bonds and BANS for town and school projects in accordance with state and federal regulations. Prepares an official statement describing the ability of the town to repay specific debt issuances; takes bids, signs borrowing documents, disperses funds, reconciles accounts. Deals with the town's financial advisor and Bond Counsel, the State DOR and other departments involved in each borrowing.
9. Manages town Trust Funds and related deposits, withdrawals, investments, reconcilements, and quarterly reports.

There are many more responsibilities that I have taken on that are not in my job description. I have also included an insert from the Division of Local Services outlining the Role of the Treasurer. As you can see, this position entails a high level of education, experience and ongoing professional development. Here are my credentials:

## **EDUCATION**

FITCHBURG STATE UNIVERSITY  
FITCHBURG, MASSACHUSETTS  
MASTER OF EDUCATION  
MAJOR: EDUCATION  
GPA: 3.900  
ATTENDED JUNE 2009 TO JUNE 2013

UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS - AMHERST  
AMHERST, MASSACHUSETTS  
BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION  
MAJOR: FINANCE  
GPA: 3.300  
GRADUATED JUNE 2007  
DEGREE CONFERRED JUNE 2007

GREENFIELD COMMUNITY COLLEGE  
GREENFIELD, MASSACHUSETTS  
ASSOCIATE OF APPLIED SCIENCE  
MAJOR: BUSINESS  
GPA: 3.300  
GRADUATED JUNE 2005  
DEGREE CONFERRED JUNE 2005

## **CERTIFICATIONS**

- MCPPO (Massachusetts Certified Public Purchasing Official)
- School Business Administrator License
- CMMT (Certified Massachusetts Municipal Treasurer)

Hopefully this article will be presented again at the next Special Town Meeting so that it can be brought before the voters to re-evaluate the situation after reading this clarification.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Eichorn

Treasurer

# Role of the Treasurer

# 7

## 7.1 WHAT ARE THE BASIC ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF A MUNICIPAL TREASURER?

The treasurer is the cash manager of a town. The treasurer is responsible for the deposit, investment and disbursement of town funds. The treasurer is authorized by town meeting to issue debt on behalf of the town with the approval of the selectmen. During the year, the treasurer must determine the cash needs of the municipality (i.e., when money will be available to invest and when money will have to be borrowed to meet expenses).

When a town decides to issue long-term bonds, the treasurer prepares for the sale by working with the community's financial advisor, bond counsel and other local officials.

Most banking services of the town are selected, procured and managed by the treasurer. Some treasurers pay a direct fee or fees to the bank in return for services, while others maintain balances in non-interest bearing accounts in return for services. This latter method of funding banking services is called a compensating balance. The compensating balance alternative is governed by state law and regulations, which require written agreements, competitive procurement, authorization by town meeting and approval by the selectmen. Either method is appropriate as long as the town is aware of the actual cost of the services and ensures that it is competitive with other banks.

The principal duties of the treasurer are stated in M.G.L. Ch. 41, Secs. 35 & 36. M.G.L. Ch. 41 sec. 35 requires a treasurer to obtain a fidelity bond within 10 days of appointment. There are, however, many other statutory references to the treasurer in the General Laws and guidelines established by DOR.

## 7.2 WHAT IS A CASH FLOW BUDGET?

A cash flow budget is an analysis that estimates and monitors the projected cash position of a town during the fiscal year. Usually, estimated revenues and expenditures are charted on a monthly basis. Thus, for each month, the cash flow budget should show whether the town will have surplus cash that can be invested to earn interest or whether the town will have a cash deficit requiring temporary borrowing until new revenue is received.

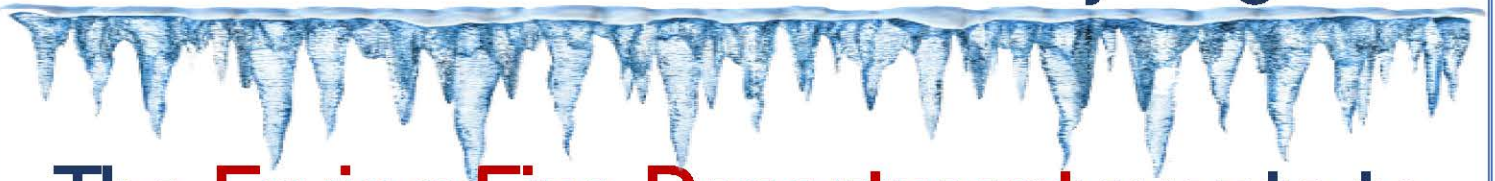
The cash flow budget is important because revenues are received by the town at times that differ from when expenditures are made. Major revenues, like property taxes and state aid, are received in large sums at specific points during the fiscal year. Expenses, however, are disbursed in a more even pattern throughout the year. It is not unusual for a town to have cash surpluses for part of the year and cash deficits at other times during the year. Treasurers maintain cash flow budgets so they can forecast their borrowing needs and investment opportunities.

## 7.3 WHAT ARE THE KEY INGREDIENTS TO BEING A SUCCESSFUL TREASURER?

Like other key financial officers of the town, a key ingredient for success as a treasurer is adequate and continued professional development. The Massachusetts Collectors and Treasurers Association offers all treasurers and collectors a three-year training program, with certification granted upon receipt of a passing grade on the required exams. DOR staff serve as instructors in the Massachusetts Collectors and Treasurers Association's programs for new treasurers and collectors.

- *What are the basic roles and responsibilities of a municipal treasurer?*
- *What is a cash flow budget?*
- *What are the key ingredients to being a successful treasurer?*
- *Why do some towns combine the positions of collector and treasurer?*

The Snow & Ice has already begun.



The **Erving Fire Department** wants to help Erving Seniors reduce the risk of  falling.

Bring an empty bucket!



To the Erving Senior Center.

Include your address and phone  number in the bucket. 

The **Fire Department** will return it to your home filled with a sand and salt mix.

A Community Service we are proud to offer our Seniors



Don't let this happen to you. Sand your walkway. Be SAFE



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[www.erving.com](http://www.erving.com)

### **Community Eligibility Provision**

August 2023

Dear Parent or Guardian:

Your child will be able to receive free breakfast and lunch at school this year!

We are pleased to inform you that Erving Elementary School will be participating in the National School Lunch and School Breakfast Programs called the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) for the school year 2023-2024.

#### **What does this mean for you and your children attending Erving Elementary School?**

Great news for you and your students! All enrolled students of Erving Elementary School are eligible to receive a healthy breakfast and lunch at school at **no charge** to your household each day of the 2023-2024 school year. No further action is required of you. Your child (ren) will be able to participate in these meal programs without having to pay a fee or submit a meal application.

**\* If your child brings a home lunch and requests milk, there will be a charge of \$.50 for the milk!** If we can be of any further assistance, please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

Erving Elementary School

#### **USDA Nondiscrimination Statement**

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) prohibits discrimination against its customers, employees, and applicants for employment on the bases of race, color, national origin, age, disability, sex, gender identity, religion, reprisal and, where applicable, political beliefs, marital status, familial or parental status, sexual orientation, or if all or part of an individual's income is derived from any public assistance program, or protected genetic

Erving School Union #28 assures that all programs, activities and employment opportunities are offered without regard to race, color, gender, gender identity, age, creed, homelessness, religion, national origin, sexual orientation, disability and pregnancy or pregnancy related conditions.

information in employment or in any program or activity conducted or funded by the Department. (Not all prohibited bases will apply to all programs and/or employment activities.) If you wish to file a Civil Rights program complaint of discrimination, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, found online at [http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint\\_filing\\_cust.html](http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html), or at any USDA office, or call (866) 632-9992 to request the form. You may also write a letter containing all of the information requested in the form. Send your completed complaint form or letter to us by mail at U.S. Department of Agriculture, Director, Office of Adjudication, 1400 Independence Avenue, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20250-9410, by fax (202) 690-7442 or email at [program.intake@usda.gov](mailto:program.intake@usda.gov). Individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing, or have speech disabilities and wish to file either an EEO or program complaint please contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339 or (800) 845-6136 (in Spanish). Persons with disabilities, who wish to file a program complaint, please see information above on how to contact us by mail directly or by email. If you require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g., Braille, large print, audiotape, etc.) please contact USDA's TARGET Center at (202) 720-2600 (voice and TDD). USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

# December

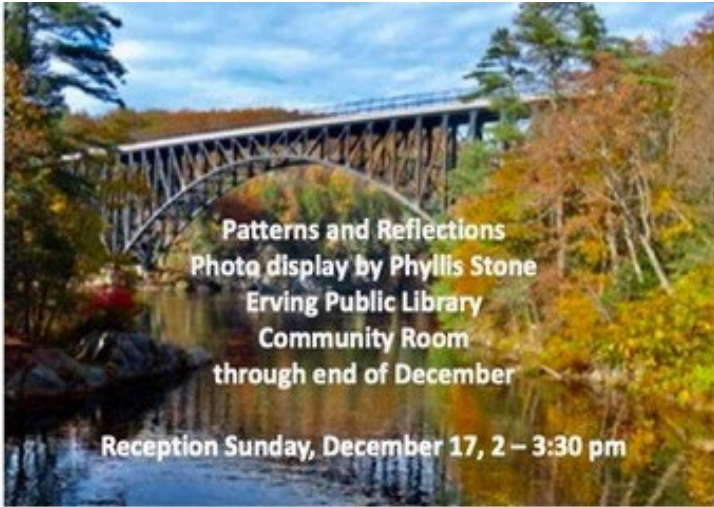
# Erving Senior Center



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
<p><b>Open week-</b> <b>days 8:30am</b> <b>3:00pm</b> <b>413-423-3649</b></p>			<p><b>Lots of Door Prizes at the Holiday Bazaar</b></p>	<p><b>Snacks &amp; Coffee Daily</b></p>	<p><b>1 No classes today Setting up for Bazaar</b></p>	<p><b>Don't miss the Holiday Bazaar Saturday 8:30 - 2:00</b></p>
	<p><b>4</b> 9:00 Interval (Linda) 10:00 Seated dance <b>12:00 Pitch Group</b> Coffee &amp; Snacks</p>	<p><b>5</b> 9:00 Good for U <b>9:00 ASK the Nurse Blood Pressure</b> ❤️ 10:00 Line Dancing <b>11:00 Social Stringer</b></p>	<p><b>6</b> 9:00 Strength &amp; Cond (Linda)  <b>10:15 Chair Aerobics</b> <b>11:30 BINGO</b> <b>1:00 Veterans Ser.</b></p>	<p><b>7</b> 9:00 Barre Fusion 10:00 Pilates Flow <b>12:00 Brown Bag</b> Coffee &amp; Snacks Fitness Rm open</p>	<p><b>8</b> 9:00 to 3:00 Quilting open sew Fitness room open Coffee &amp; Snacks</p>	
<p><b>Fitness Room open daily</b></p>	<p><b>11</b> 9:00 Interval 10:00 Seated dance <b>12:00 Pitch Group</b> Coffee &amp; Snacks</p>	<p><b>12</b> 8:30 Nail Clip 9:00 Good for U 10:00 Line Dancing <b>11:00 Social Stringer</b></p>	<p><b>13</b> 9:00 Strength &amp; Cond (Linda) <b>10:15 Chair Aerobics</b> <b>11:30 BINGO</b> Coffee &amp; Cards</p>	<p><b>14</b> 9:00 Barre Fus 10:00 Pilates Flow Coffee &amp; Snacks Fitness Rm open</p>	<p><b>15</b> 9:00 to 3:00 Quilting open sew Fitness room open Coffee &amp; Snacks</p>	
<p><i>Merry Christmas!</i></p>	<p><b>18</b> 9:00 Interval ( ) 10:00 Seated dance <b>12:00 Pitch Group</b> Coffee &amp; Snacks</p>	<p><b>19</b> 9:00 Good for U 10:00 Line Dancing <b>11:00 Social Stringer</b> Fitness Room open Coffee &amp; Snacks</p>	<p><b>20</b> 9:00 Strength &amp; Cond (Linda) <b>10:15 Chair Aerobics</b> <b>11:30 BINGO</b> Coffee &amp; Cards</p>	<p><b>21</b> 9:00 Barre Fusio 10:00 Pilates Flow <b>12:00 Santa's Brunch</b> <b>Holiday Music</b></p>	<p><b>22</b> 9:00 to 3:00 Quilting open sew Fitness room open Coffee &amp; Snacks</p>	



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PRESENTS

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this cruiser with  
gifts for local  
kiddos! High  
need/demand for  
ages 13-18



## ERVING SR CENTER, HOLIDAY BAZAAR

DECEMBER 2ND, 8:30-2

2 CARE DRIVE, ERVING, MA

MEET & GREET K9 ZIVA!  
PLEASE LEAVE FURRY FRIENDS  
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### 2023 Price & Product List

**Gallons: \$60.00**

**1/2 Gallons: \$34.00**

**Quarts: \$22.00**

**Pints: \$12.00**

**1/2 Pints: \$8.00**

**Maple Cream 1/2 lb. \$10.00**

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# TOWN OF ERVING

## DUAL STREAM RECYCLING & TRASH SERVICE

### 2023-2024 CURBSIDE COLLECTION CALENDAR & DETAILS

- Trash is collected **every Friday**
- Paper & cardboard recycling is collected on the **blue shaded** Friday collection day
- Plastic, glass, & metal is collected on the **green shaded** Friday collection day

- Place trash & recycling at the curb by **7:00 AM** on Friday
- Weeks with a highlighted holiday have a one day delay in service, regardless of the day that the holiday falls on as depicted below
- The Town will notify you of any delays in service

JULY 2023							AUGUST 2023							SEPTEMBER 2023							OCTOBER 2023							NOVEMBER 2023							DECEMBER 2023												
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT						
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■ = Paper & Cardboard ■ = Plastic, Glass, & Metal ■ = Holiday

Sorting your recyclables is quick and easy. Just focus on tossing all paper and cardboard into one bin and plastic, glass, and metal containers into another. Please **EMPTY** and **RINSE** all containers and **flatten** and **break down** cardboard boxes.

### BLUE SHADED DAY

**Paper & Cardboard**  
Clean papers, magazines/catalogs, greeting cards, gift wrap & gift tissue paper (no foils or metallics), calendars, paperbacks & phonebooks, paperboard, empty pizza boxes (Paper clips, staples and metal spirals are ok)

### GREEN SHADED DAY

**Plastic Bottles, Jugs, Tubs, Lids, & Containers**  
Empty kitchen, laundry, & bath containers

**Cartons**  
Milk & Juice

**Glass Bottles & Jars**  
Empty food & beverage bottles & jars

**Aluminum & Steel Cans**  
Foil & empty food & beverage cans

### NOT ACCEPTED

Plastic bags or trays, black plastic, bagged recyclables, clothing/textiles, food waste/liquids, tangles such as rope or hoses, scrap metal, batteries of any kind, electronics, wood, medical waste, hazardous materials, explosives, toys, hangers, shoes, waxy cups or plates, frozen food packaging, food bags or wrappers, plastic wrap or film, shrink wrap, tarps, diapers, human/pet or yard waste, tires or rubber, Styrofoam™, napkins, paper towels, tissues, plastic utensils, register tape, condiment packets, straws, stirrers, coffee pods, ceramics



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<b>TOWN HALL OFFICE HOURS</b>		<b>12 East Main Street</b>
Town Hall is opened to the public on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10 - 5 p.m. or by Appointment.		
<b>Town Administrator</b>	Monday thru Thursday Friday	10:00am– 5:00pm By Appointment
<b>Administrative Assistant</b>	Monday thru Thursday Friday	10:00am - 5:00 p.m. By Appointment
<b>Principal Assessor</b>	Monday Tuesday & Thursday	10:00am–5:00pm
<b>Treasurer</b>	Monday, Tuesday, Thursday	9:00am – 3:00pm
<b>Tax Collector</b>	Tuesday & Thursday Wednesday	10:00 am - 3:00 pm 8:30 am - 12:00 pm
<b>Town Clerk</b>	By Appointment	
<b>Community Planning Office</b>	By Appointment	

<b>POLICE AND FIRE DEPARTMENT HOURS</b>		
<b>Police Department</b> 71 French King Highway	Monday thru Thursday	7:00am – 4:00pm
<b>Fire Department</b> 10 East Main Street & 18 Moore Street	Monday thru Friday	7:00am – 4:00pm & by Appointment

<b>SENIOR &amp; COMMUNITY CENTER AND PUBLIC LIBRARY HOURS</b>		
<b>Senior &amp; Community Center</b> 1 Care Drive	Monday thru Friday	8:30am – 3:00pm
<b>Erving Public Library</b> 2 Care Drive	Sun. 10 am to 4 pm, Mon.&Tues. 12 pm to 6 pm, Wed. 10 am to 4 pm &Thurs. 1 pm to 7 pm.	

<b>BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEETING SCHEDULE</b>		
<i>Note: Subject to change. Always use the official posting board at Town Hall for meeting dates, times, and locations.</i>		
<b>Board of Health</b> at Town Hall	3rd Wednesday of the month	3:00 pm
<b>Board of Library Trustees</b> at Erving Library	3rd Thursday of the month	4:30 pm
<b>Board of Selectmen</b> at Senior & Community Ctr	Mondays as posted	6:30pm
<b>Conservation Commission</b> at Erving Library	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the Month	6:00pm
<b>Council on Aging</b> at Senior & Community Ctr	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the Month	9:30am
<b>Finance Committee</b> at Senior & Community Ctr	As posted	
<b>Historical Commission</b> at Erving Library	As posted	
<b>Open Space Committee</b> at Town Hall	As posted	
<b>Planning Board</b> at Erving Library	3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the Month	7:00pm
<b>Recreation Commission</b> at Erving Library	4th Saturday of the Month	1:00pm
<b>School Committee</b> at Erving Elementary School	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the Month	7:00 pm
<b>Senior Housing Committee</b> at Senior Center	As posted	

**Upper Pioneer Valley Veterans Services:** (413) 772-1571  
**U.S. Post Office- Erving, MA Branch:** (413) 423-3600

## ERVING OFFICE CONTACT INFORMATION

### Town Hall Office Number and Extensions

**(413) 422-2800**

- 1101** Administrative Assistant & BOH - Betsy Sicard
- 1102** Town Administrator – Bryan Smith
- 1103** Town Accountant - Deborah Mero
- 1104** Tax Collector/Water Collector- Michele Turner
- 1106** Town Clerk – Richard Newton
- 1107** Assessors Office – Principal Assessor Jacquelyn Boyden
- 1108** Town Planner – Mariah Kurtz
- 1112** Treasurer – Jennifer Eichorn
- 1114** Assistant Treasurer – Jean Fountain

### TOWN OFFICES

**423-3649** Senior Center

**423-3348** Library

**422-1187** Recreation

**423-3310** Police

**423-3500** Public Works

**423-3326** Erving Elementary

**423-3866** Fire Station

Check out the Town of Erving's website and our Facebook pages for updated news on what is going on in the Town of Erving!



Town of Erving, Erving Senior Center, Erving Recreation Commission, Erving Public Library and Erving Historical Commission

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