

Around Town Newsletter
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Erving, MA 01344

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An Erving Community Newsletter

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 The Erving Highway Department
will begin leaf collection on
Wed. November 01, 2023

What: The leaf collection program is a free service for Erving residents. Leaves should be raked into piles along the curbside.

The Department begins collection on Erving-Side and will continue east through town. The Department works as quickly as possible, but depending on several factors, the collection could take up to two (2) weeks to complete.

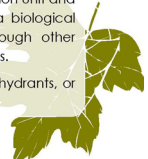
Important: The Department asks that residents ensure that leaf piles **do not** include sticks, pet waste, garden waste, glass, or any other household waste. Piles that include these waste items will not be collected.



 Sticks and other items can clog the collection unit and damage the equipment. Pet waste is a biological hazard that should be disposed of through other means. This collection is only for tree leaves.

Lastly, please do not block sidewalks, fire hydrants, or create piles in the roadway.

Thank you for your cooperation!



THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS A

POOP



FAIRY



PLEASE PICK UP AFTER YOUR PET!

KIDS PLAY IN OUR PARKS TOO.

A friendly reminder from the Erving Recreation Commission

Have a Business/Community Event In Erving?

We will put in the Around Town for Free!

Please send your ad photo ready by the 12th of the month before publication to:

ervingaroundtown@comcast.net

JENNIFER J CULKEEN
SUPERINTENDENT OF
SCHOOLS
c/o Swift River School
201 Wendell Road
New Salem, MA 01355
413 423-3337

CORRINA WCISLO
DIRECTOR OF STUDENT
SUPPORT SERVICES
c/o Shutesbury Elementary
School
23 West Pelham Road
Shutesbury, MA 01072
978 910-1478

CAITLIN SHERIDAN
DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND
OPERATIONS
c/o Erving Elementary School
28 Northfield Road
Erving, MA 01344
978 910-0251

LINDSAY RODRIGUEZ
DIRECTOR OF CURRICULUM
AND INSTRUCTION
c/o Leverett Elementary School
85 Montague Road
Leverett, MA 01054
978 910-1547

September 28, 2023

PLEASE POST

MINUTE TAKER NEEDED

Immediate Opening

The Erving School Committee is looking for a reliable person to record minutes of monthly meetings. Meetings are normally 2-3 hours in duration and require follow-up.

Responsibilities:

The minute taker is responsible for:

- Attending the School Committee meetings normally held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month from approximately 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
- Taking minutes of the proceedings
- Writing up a final electronic version of the minutes in consultation with the Chair of the Committee.
- Emailing final version in standard word processing format to person designated by the Committee.

Qualifications:

- Able to make accurate minutes for public record that are either handwritten or on personally supplied laptop.
- Reliable – able to attend most evening meetings
- Strong writing skills
- Ability to communicate effectively with Chair of School Committee, Committee members, Superintendent or others as necessary to finalize minutes.
- Flexibility

Location: Erving Elementary School
Starting Date: Immediately
Hours: As needed for completion of minutes
Compensation: \$75/meeting
To Apply: Contact Pamela Rogers
(413) 423-3337 or rogers@erving.com
Deadline: Rolling, until position is filled

For information about Erving Elementary School, visit us at www.erving.com

Erving Police Department

Town of Erving, Dog Bylaw

Our department has responded to more animal complaints regarding dogs. We would like to take this opportunity to remind everyone of some of our Dog Bylaws.

SECTION XV Disturbing the Peace. No person shall own or keep in the Town any dog, whether licensed or unlicensed, which bites, barks, howls, or in any other manner disturbs the public peace, or endangers the safety of any person, domesticated animal, or farm animal.

SECTION XVI Complaint of Nuisance. If any person shall make a complaint in writing to the Animal Control Officer that any dog owned or harbored within the Town is a nuisance by reason of vicious disposition or excessive barking or other disturbance, the Animal Control Officer shall investigate such complaint, which may include an examination under oath of the complainant and submit a written report to the Board of Selectmen (copy to the Town Clerk) of his findings and recommendations, together with the written complaint. Upon receipt of such report and examination of the complainant under oath, the Board of Selectmen may make such an order concerning the restraint, muzzling, or disposal of such dog as may be deemed necessary. The Animal Control Officer, after investigation, may issue an interim order that such dog be restrained or muzzled for a period not to exceed fourteen (14) days to enable the Board of Selectmen to issue its order following receipt of the report of the Animal Control Officer. If the Board of Selectmen fails to act during the period of the interim order, upon expiration of the period the order is automatically vacated. (MGL Chapter 140, Section 157) The owner or keeper of any dog who intentionally allows said dog to cause a nuisance by barking or howling shall be punished by a fine as provided in Section XXI.

SECTION XVII Dogs Required To Be Leashed. Dog owners, keepers, and persons otherwise in charge are required to physically restrain their dogs by leash when they are not on the owner's property, except if it is on the premises of another person with the knowledge and permission of such other person. In any prosecution hereunder the presence of such dog at large upon premises other than the premises of the owner or keeper of such dog shall be prima facie evidence that such knowledge and permission was not had. The following are excepted and excluded from the provisions of this Section: 1. The Board of Selectmen may designate times and places on public park property where dogs may be exercised or trained while under the control and supervision of their masters. 2. Any dog(s) when the same are under the supervision and control of their trainer, owners, or keepers and engaged in a sporting event or hunting and not otherwise prohibited by law. 3. Any working dogs, such as police dogs, farm dogs, service and therapy dogs, hunting dogs, or watchdogs, shall be allowed to perform their necessary duties with the proper restraint and control as may be required by their master or person or persons in whose charge the dog is assigned. This Section shall not apply to

property owned and/or controlled by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts where a separate set of rules and regulations applies. Whoever, the owner, keeper, or person in charge of said dog(s) fails to keep his dog(s) physically restrained by leash shall be punishable by a fine as provided in Section 21 for each individual dog in each individual offense.

Section XX1: Non-criminal disposition. Whoever violates any provision of the Dog Bylaws, the violation of which is subject to a specific penalty, may be penalized by the non-criminal method of disposition as provided in M.G. L. Chapter 40 Section 21D. The Animal Control Officer, any Police Officer, and the Board of Selectmen of the Town are designated as the enforcing persons for non-criminal disposition enforcement of the Dog Bylaws.

Fines for violations of any provision of this bylaw, except where otherwise indicated shall be established by the Licensing Board pursuant to MGL Chapter 40, Section 22F, however, the initial fine structure is set by this bylaw as follows, and the Licensing Board may not make changes to the fine structure prior to January 1, 2012. Citations issued under the then-current fine structure are not affected by any new fine structure that the Licensing Board may implement.

Failure to obtain a license: \$25.00 per License Period. First offense in any twelve (12) month period: \$25.00 Second offense in any twelve (12) month period: \$50.00 Third and each subsequent offense in any twelve (12) month period: \$100.00 Each day of all said violations shall constitute a separate offense.

Owners of dogs who receive five (5) or more notices of violation of this bylaw in a two-year period shall be subject to a hearing before the Board of Selectmen under the provisions of MGL Chapter 140, Section 157.

Criminal disposition. The fine for violating any Section of this bylaw shall be an amount not exceeding \$100 for the first offense and not less than \$100 nor more than \$300 for each subsequent offense in any calendar year. Each day of all said violations shall constitute a separate offense.

For complete Town of Erving Dog Bylaws please go to erving-ma.gov



Board & Commission Vacancies October 2023

Erving needs you!

Cable Advisory Committee (Three (3) vacancies)

The Cable Advisory Committee is charged with the responsibility to assess local cable needs, monitor company compliance with the contract, make recommendations to the licensing authority (the Select Board) regarding contract terms, develop policies and procedures regarding the Public, Educational, and Government access channel to support the recording and broadcasting of local meetings and events. The Cable Advisory Committee shall be comprised of three appointed members.

Conservation Commission (One (1) vacancy)

The Conservation Commission is tasked with enforcing the Wetlands Protection Act in Erving. Often this is referred to as "wetlands permitting" or environmental permitting". The Commission also oversees the Town's conservation land and hiking trails at Poplar Mountain Conservation Area and supports pollinator education at Erving Elementary School.

Council on Aging – (Four (4) vacancies)

Councils on Aging & Senior Centers provide support services to elders, families, and caregivers in the community. As a local agency, the Councils on Aging & Senior Centers serve as an elder advocate, offers services, and activities for elders. Council on Aging offerings may include Outreach, Transportation, Meals (congregate or home delivered), Health screenings, Health insurance counseling, Socialization, Fitness, wellness and recreation activities, Life-long learning. They serve as a link to and support for elders. Each Council on Aging determines its own priorities based on local needs and resources. Senior centers are a welcoming place for older adults who wish to remain independent in their community.

Cultural Council – (Two (2) vacancies)

Cultural Council members are appointed. The local Cultural Council supports public programs that promote access, education, diversity and excellence in the arts, humanities, and interpretive sciences in communities across the Commonwealth. Local decision-making is an integral element of this system. Local councils have the right and responsibility to award grants that address cultural needs specific to their communities, and they can decide how to distribute funds if the state policies outlined in these regulations and supplementary guidelines are followed. They meet 2-4 times per year.

Historical Commission (Two (2) vacancies)

The Historical Commission is charged with the preservation, protection, and development of the historical or archeological assets of the Town. As such, they make recommendations to the Select Board on matters relating to the preservation, protection and development of historic areas, buildings, structures, and sites. Further, it may acquire in the name of the Town by gift, purchase, grant, bequest, devise, and lease or otherwise the fee or lesser interest in real or personal property of significant historical value and may manage the same.

Planning Board Alternate (one (1) vacancy)

Planning Board Members are elected, but the alternate is an appointed position. The Planning Board is charged with overseeing and guiding development in the community. The Planning Board reviews permit applications for subdivisions and some special permits, and it is designated as the authority for Site Plan Review permits.

Zoning Board of Appeals (Two (2) vacancies)

The ZBA is charged with making Zoning text and zoning map interpretations, hearing appeals of administrative decisions, and to grant variances from ordinance standards where there is practical difficulty or unnecessary hardship meeting ordinance standards.

These are volunteer positions. If you've been asking yourself "How can I be a help to my community?" and/or you'd like to be a part of something new, or return to something you've done previously, please email a letter of interest to volunteer@erving-ma.gov or via mail to Town of Erving, ATT: Bryan Smith, 12 East Main Street, Erving, MA 01344.



FOCUS GROUP

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM ERVING RESIDENTS AND BUSINESS OWNERS

Topic: **Impact of rock climbing on Erving economy and community.**

There has been a visible increase in rock climbers visiting Farley Ledges in recent years. The goal of this study is to assess the economic and social impact that climbers have on Erving and the surrounding area.

When & Where: **Virtual:** Wednesday, November 8th @ 6:30 PM

Erving Public Library: Monday, November 13th @ 6:30 PM

Sign up for a focus group session:



Scan the QR Code or use the link to sign up for a focus group:

<https://tinyurl.com/ervingfocusgroups>



For more information contact:
ljankowski@umass.edu



JOIN US!

Saturday, November 4, 2023, 10 am to 1 pm

Archeology Month at Wendell State Forest

Join Guest Archaeologist Emeritus John Wilson (US Fish & Wildlife Service Retired). The Old Farley Road in Wendell State Forest was once a thriving community, especially in its heyday during construction of the Vermont & Mass Railroad along the Millers River 1847-1850 by a large population of immigrant railroad workers.

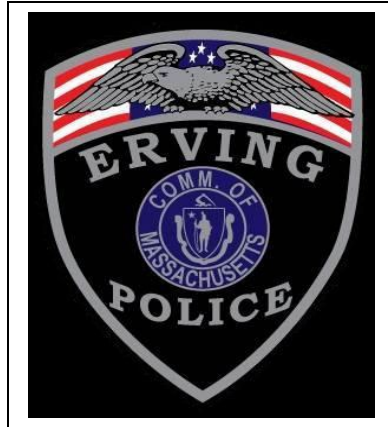
Space is limited to 20 people (Other hikes will be schedule if there is sufficient interest). Please RSVP to DCR Staff Archaeologist Jonathan Patton (Jonathan.k.patton@mass.gov; 857-383-9226). Meeting and Parking directions will be provided once RSVP has been received.

Carpooling is encouraged. Please wear suitable hiking shoes/boots and bring water and bug spray. The hike is approximately 1.5 miles over uneven and possibly wet areas.



Fall Festival 2023

Though chilly and rainy we had a great time at this year's Erving Fall Festival. We were joined by the Greenfield Police Department who brought their special response vehicle for people to learn about. This vehicle may be used in our community as a command post for such things as accidents, fires, or drone callouts. Erving Police Department was proud to display an information table along with the Clinical & Support Options. We talked to those who have concerns about loved ones who may wander or go missing and what they can do to assist K9 Ziva in locating their loved ones quickly. Attendees got an opportunity to check out the department's Ford Mustang Mach-E. A battery electric compact crossover SUV. As well as the department's Recon E-bike which was donated by First Light. Of course, the best part of our day was having the opportunity to talk with community members.



How to Contact Us

Emergencies: 911 This will connect you with the dispatch center and calls will be prioritized by the dispatcher to the on-duty Officer.

Non-Emergencies: Non-Emergency-related calls for service to be routed to the on-duty Officer should be directed to 413-625-8200 which will connect you to the dispatch center but handled separately from 911 calls.

General Information: If you're trying to reach out to Chief Holst or members of the Police Department staff for general questions not related to calls for service, call the station at 413-423-3100. The station is not always staffed so messages may have to be left.

71 French King Hwy
Erving, MA 01344

K9 Corner

Sept. 17 - Sept. 21, 2023, Officer Gordon, and K9 Ziva attended the Northeast Houndmen annual trailing seminar. They were put through the paces by master trainers during the week-long training and achieved their annual certification.

Officer Gordon and K9 Ziva continue to be busy as they're called upon by surrounding communities for their skills in trailing, including but not limited to Ludlow, Hadley, Bernardston, Shelburne, and Templeton. Our team continues to participate in K9 demos to educate the public on why bloodhounds are an important part of K9 programs.

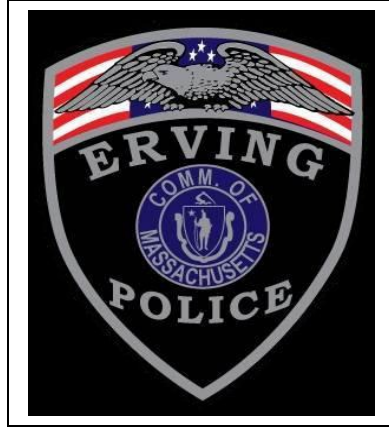
October 18th we'll be going to the Deerfield Elementary School to assist a student with her presentation on K9s and how they assist our military and police departments.



C.S.O. Annual Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser

On October 4, the Erving Police Department participated in the Clinical and Support Options Club program's 8th annual spaghetti dinner fundraiser. They sold more takeout dinners than ever before in support of Green River House in Greenfield and Quabbin House in Orange.

In the "back of the house," members prepped food and pulled together more than 200 meals. In the "front of the house," members took new orders and delivered meals to drive-thru customers.



Friendly Reminder

There's a secure medication drop box in the lobby of the station for your convenience.

Nearly
70,000 lbs
collected
since 2011



SAVE THE DATE

National Prescription
Drug Take Back Day

SATURDAY

OCT. 28,

2023

10am-2pm

Check back soon for a
list of participating
communities.

You can also bring medications to a permanent Drop Box location.

Drop Drugs at these Police Stations:
Amherst, Ashfield, Athol, Belchertown,
Bernardston, Buckland, Cummington,
Deerfield, Easthampton, Erving,
Goshen, Granby, Greenfield, Hadley,
Hatfield, Leverett, Montague,
Northampton, Orange, South Hadley,
Southampton, Sunderland, Ware,
Whately, Williamsburg

Simply bring them to your local police station and drop them in the MEDRETURN BOX.

Medicines can remain in original containers with labels, NO liquids, syringes, IV equipment or chemotherapy drugs. Prescription and over-the-counter drugs, vitamins and veterinary meds are accepted.



For more information: NorthstarDA.org

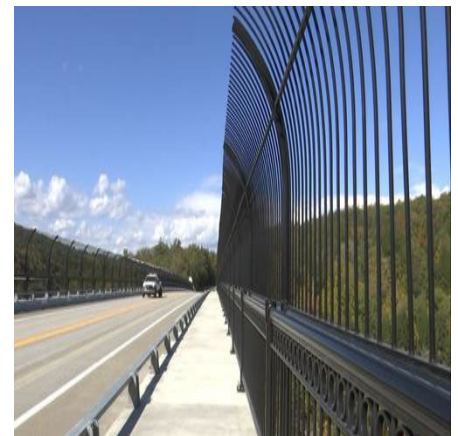
Northfield 350th birthday Parade

On September 30, we celebrated with our neighbors to the north. We participated in the Northfield 350th Birthday Parade. We received a very warm welcome from all the spectators.



French King Bridge Safety Barrier Reception

On October 12, we attended a reception held at the French King Restaurant. We were proud to join Senator Jo Comerford, State Representative Susannah Whipps, MASSDOT, leaders from Erving and Gill, first responders and affected families. This gathering was in recognition of the long-awaited completed installation of safety barriers at the French King Bridge



✦ ERVING PUBLIC LIBRARY PRESENTS ✦

A TALK BY LOCAL EXPERT SARA CAMPBELL

JOHN ERVING

lifestyles of the rich and famous



Sara with the portraits of John and Abigail Erving in the Smith College Museum of Art.

The family who gave Erving its name is not well remembered, but in the 1700's John Erving was called the richest man in Boston. Did he ever set foot on the land he bought here in Western Mass? Sara Campbell will share her research into the Erving family and the wide range of historical documents she found to piece together their story. There were Patriots and Tories, sailors and merchants, soldiers and ladies, and even links to plantations in the Caribbean. They were painted by the preeminent artists of the time. We will get to know the Ervings through their own words, and the documents they left behind.

TUE. NOV. 14, 5 PM

This program is funded by the Erving Cultural Council, a local agency, through the Mass. Cultural Council, a state agency.



✦ 2 CARE DR. OFF RT. 63, ERVING, MA 01344 ✦

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

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

5:30 PM

**THIRD
THURSDAYS**

2 Care Dr., Right off Route 63, Erving MA, 01344
(413) 423-3348 library@erving-ma.gov erving-ma.gov/library

ERVING PUBLIC LIBRARY 2023 BOOK CLUB

- SIGN UP ONLINE: massbook.org/readingchallenge to track your reading with Massachusetts Center for the Book (MCB)
- Read a book that fits the **monthly category**
- Join Erving Public Library's monthly coffee hour and discussion group with the library director:
Last Thursday of the month, 5:30 pm
- **Year-end PARTY at EPL** if you attend at least one discussion group! November is the 2nd to last meeting!

Books available via the library that fit the monthly challenge -
Special display of local bookseller recommendations!!!

Discussion group with light refreshments
Thu., November 30th, 5:30 pm

**NOVEMBER
CATEGORY**

**A BOOK
RECOMMENDED
BY A
LOCAL
BOOKSELLER**



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PJ STORYTIME

WITH U28 COMMUNITY NETWORK FOR CHILDREN

2nd Thursdays*

6-6:45 pm:

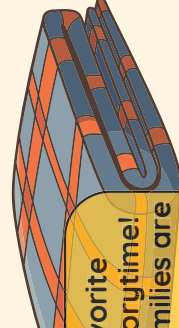
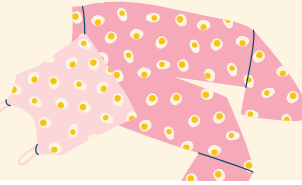
- September 14: Dinosaurs After Dark
- October 12: Elephant, Piggie & Pigeon Too!
- November 16: Pete the Cat and friends
- January 11: Hurry, Hurry Drive the Fire Truck
- February 8: Let It Snow
- March 14: Teddy Bear Picnic

Registration requested for planning purposes



*except for November due to the holiday

Use QR Code to Register or <https://form.jotform.com/231995324350154>



Come join us in your favorite pajamas for an evening storytime! Young children and their families are welcome! Story themed-activities sponsored by CNC.



Contact the Erving Public Library or CNC at budine@erving.com with any questions

THE UNION #28 COMMUNITY NETWORK FOR CHILDREN PROGRAM IS FUNDED BY THE COORDINATED FAMILY AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT (CFCE) GRANT AWARDED TO THE UNION #28 SCHOOLS BY THE MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF EARLY EDUCATION AND CARE, AND DONATIONS FROM THE COMMUNITY.

ERVING PUBLIC LIBRARY

TEENS:

Come tell us what YOU want here at the library... while enjoying a FREE ice cream sundae!



NEW DATE!

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13TH 3:30-5PM



If coming from TFHS, take Bus Route A with a parent/guardian note if needed!

Looking for YOUR ideas on:

- future teen events
- stuff you can check out at the library
- how the Teen Room should work

The Library's Teen Webpage



SCAN ME

2 Care Drive, Erving, MA 01344
library@erving-ma.gov
413-423-3348

ERVING PUBLIC LIBRARY

All-Abilities Social PAINTING PARTY



Food provided at all events!

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

WEDNESDAY
NOV. 29
11AM-1PM

&

THURSDAY
NOV. 30
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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Town of Erving Office of Community Planning
& Erving Public Library

CALL FOR ARTISTS

Deadline: December 15

\$12k Grant Opportunity!
Looking for artists to create a
natural materials sculpture on the
library lawn in the Summer of 2024

Visit erving-ma.gov/bids
for key dates, submission criteria,
and application information.



Friends of the Library News

Due to the rain, the Friends had a short stay at the Fall Festival but we were able to tell people that stopped by about the great events happening at the Erving Public Library. People were amazed to find out that the library has passes to local museums, state parks, local events like Mike's Maze, and Pioneer Valley Symphony concerts. Check out the passes when you go to the library and you may find an event that you would like to attend. Other ongoing events and programs happening at the library which surprised fall festival attendees was the Makerspace and the availability of the independent activities offered for all patrons, the monthly puzzle swap and the monthly craft day for teens and adults. For a small town library, they offer so much to the community. We are fortunate to have this resource available in our community.

Congratulations to the winners of the fall raffle: Cheryl Caswell, Arlene Wonsey, Ollie Caswell, Abe Avery-Jagla, Bette Sokoloski, Geri Cromwell, Sue Hastings, and Mary Ducharme. Thank you for supporting the Friends of the Library. All funds raised go directly to support library programs and events. The Friends wouldn't be able to offer events and programs without community support.

Puzzle Swap-November 12, 2023 1:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m. Library study room and foyer hallway. This change of space is for November only due to the Flu and Covid Vaccine event happening in the Community Room. **Come by and swap puzzles for other puzzles of interest. Library card is not needed. We have puzzles for all ages including children. Varying themes, puzzle piece counts and challenges. There are also puzzles in the library collection to sign out using your library card if you prefer.**

Teen-Adult Craft Day-November 19, 2023 at 1:00 p.m. in the Library's Makerspace. Join other crafters as a Friend member guides you through the art of creating a decorative 'no sew' fabric tree. Folding fabric pieces to create prairie points and attaching them to a base makes a beautiful table decoration for any time of year. **Registration begins Sunday, November 5, 2023. Call the library at (413) 423-3348 to register or stop by the library's circulation desk to register. Seating is limited.** Coming in December, create a picture framed snowman using fabric and other bric-a-brac with local artist Bette Sokoloski.

Winter Raffle-Sunday, November 26- December 10, 2023. Tickets are \$1 each or 6 for \$5. Many prizes available from gift certificates, local artisan products, and handmade gifts. See poster in this edition of the Around Town for details.

Looking for ways to support the library? Join the Friends of the Library. See membership form in this edition of the Around Town for information.

Friends of the Library



WINTER RAFFLE

SUPPORT THE ERVING PUBLIC LIBRARY

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26 -

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10

*Gift Certificates
Local Artisan Products
Handmade Gifts*



TICKETS
\$1 EACH
6 FOR \$5

Questions? Email us! ervinglibraryfriends@gmail.com

Friends of the Erving Library Membership Form

The Friends of the Erving Public Library are a group of volunteers that are interested in promoting library resources and activities. The mission of the group is to: promote the library as a vital resource in the community, advocate for strong library services and resources, and provide funding to support library events and activities that are not covered by municipal funding. The Friends also provide volunteer support for library events and activities.

The Friends hold an annual plant and book sale to support various library programs and events. Seasonal raffles are held to raise money for library events and programs.

Activities that the Friends sponsored over the past year include prizes for the summer reading program, monthly puzzle swap, monthly teen/adult craft day, and the Connecticut River Flute Choir concert. The Friends have also provided volunteer help during the summer program reading party and refreshments for the summer Lute concert.

The Friends routinely meet one time a month to plan events or actively work on preparing for an event or activity. All members are kept informed of meeting minutes and volunteer opportunities through a monthly e-mail.

Membership in the Friends requires a yearly membership fee. The fee is based on the type of membership selected: an individual membership fee is \$5.00 and a family membership is \$10.00. As a member in good standing (yearly dues paid), you are able to vote on motions during monthly meetings and for the election of officers, plus you receive a 10% discount on all book or media purchases at the annual book sale. Join the Friends of the Erving Library and help make Erving a “great place to live”.

Drop off your membership form and annual dues at the library or mail to: Friends of the Erving Public Library, 2 Care Drive, Erving, MA 01344.

Membership form.

Date: January 2024-December 2024

____ Individual Membership \$5.00

____ Family Membership \$10.00

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-Mail: _____

Thank you for becoming a Friend and supporting the Erving Public Library. We appreciate your support.

2024 Dog Tags Are In

Renewal forms will be sent out to all owners of registered dog owners. If our office received notification of rabies certification from your veterinarian's office for your *unregistered* dog, you will also receive a letter. Please complete the form and return with payment either by mail or visit Town Hall for your 2024 dog tag(s) and renewal dog license(s).

To all who have unregistered dogs: please register your dog. The cost is \$10.00 for spayed/neutered and \$15.00 for intact. If your dog were to stray from your property, the dog tag is helpful for anyone who finds them to get them returned to you quickly. Dogs that are found with no tag will be brought to the dog shelter. You can complete our online application for a dog license on the Town Clerk page of our website at www.erving-ma.gov for your convenience. We will be happy to mail your dog tag(s) and will do so in a timely manner.

Thank you for registering your dog(s)!

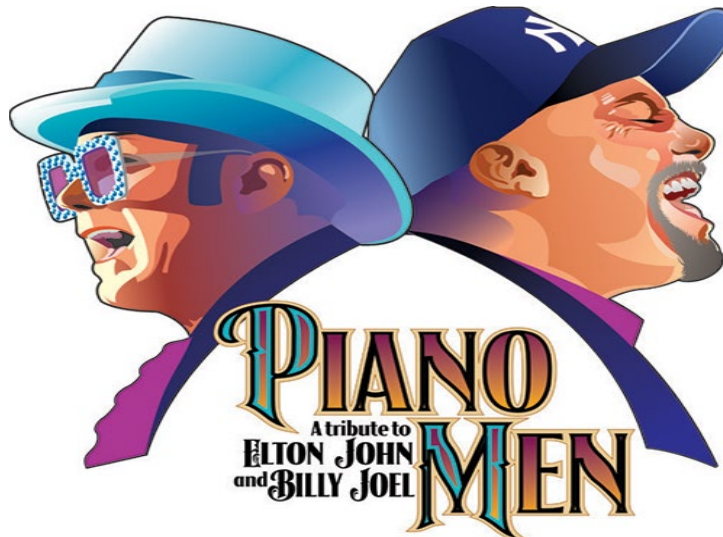
2024 GMEF Annual Gala Piano Men: Double Bill --"Billy & Elton!"

"The GMEF is excited to welcome on **Saturday, April 27, 2024@ 7:00pm** to the TFHS Theater, the **Piano Men: Double Bill --"Billy & Elton!"** Anton Doran and The Tampa Bay All Stars will re-create the music of Billy Joel & Elton John with material from all eras of each artist's career, presenting their biggest hits along with new generations of fan favorites, including: Benny & the Jets, Tiny Dancer, Movin' Out, You May Be Right, I'm Still Standing, Piano Man and many more.

Advance tickets are \$30 - Available November 1st on the GMEF website – www.thegmef.org.

The GMEF goals are supporting public education and to provide resources that will enrich the educational opportunities for students. At one time, the 'enrichments' were part of the day to day learning environment. They were included in the school budgets, but no longer!

Our only fund-raiser is our Annual Gala. It is a collaborative effort: Underwriters, Corporate Sponsors & Major Advertisers help to defray the costs of the Gala. With our General Advertisers, Tier-givers and Ticket Sales, we are able to sustain the enrichment grants. We know with your support we can continue our work of providing educational enrichment for students.



Holiday Bazaar

DECEMBER 2ND 8:30 – 2:00

Erving Senior Community Center



Free Door Prizes

Raffle Prizes

Handcrafted Gifts

Home Baked Goods

Home Décor

Auction Table

Food

Maple

Jewelry

1 CARE DRIVE ERVING MA 01344

413-423-3649

NOVEMBER Erving Senior Center

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
<p>Open week-days 8:30am - 3:00pm 413-423-3649</p>	<p>Van Available Erving Residents Call 24hr In advance for a ride</p> 		<p>1 9:00 Strength & C 10:15 Chair Aerobics 11:30 BINGO 1:00 Veterans Coffee & Snacks</p>	<p>2 9:00 Core & Bal 10:00 Barre Fusion 12:00 Brown Bag Coffee & Snacks</p>	<p>3 9:00 to 3:00 Quilting open sew Fitness room open Snacks & Coffee</p>	
	<p>6 9:00 Interval W 10:00 Seated Dance 12:00 Pitch Cards Coffee & Snacks</p> 	<p>7 9:00 Ask the Nurse 9:00 Good for U  10:00 Line Dancing 11:00 Social Stringer Coffee & Snacks</p>	<p>8 9:00 Strength & C 10:15 Chair Aerobics 11:30 BINGO Fitness Rm open</p> 	<p>9 9:00 Core & Bal 10:00 Barre Fusion Coffee & Snacks Fitness Rm OPEN</p> 		
 <p>Erving Senior Community Center Is proud to offer a SHINE representative From 9:00am - 11:00am every Thursday Please call for appointment. If the time offered does not suit your schedule, please call to set-up another date and time. 413-423-3649 ex# 1541</p>	<p>13 9:00 Interval W 10:00 Seated Dance 12:00 Pitch Cards Coffee & Snacks</p> 	<p>14  8:30 Nail Clipping 9:00 Good for U 10:00 Line Dancing 11:00 Social Stringers</p>	<p>15 9:00 Strength & C 10:15 Chair Aerobics 11:30 BINGO Fitness rm open</p> 	<p>16 9:00 Core & Bal 10:00 Barre Fusion Coffee & Snacks</p> 	<p>17 9:00 to 3:00 Quilting open sew Fitness room open Snacks & Coffee</p>	
<p><i>Autumn shows us how beautiful it is to let things go.</i></p> 	<p>27 9:00 Interval W 10:00 Seated Dance 12:00 Pitch Cards Coffee & Snacks</p>	<p>28 9:00 Good for U 10:00 Line Dancing 11:00 Social String Fitness room Coffee & Snacks</p> 	<p>29 9:00 Strength & C 10:15 Chair Aerobics 11:30 BINGO Fitness room open</p>	<p>Closed Thursday & Friday Family Day</p> 	<p>“There is always, always something to be thankful for.”</p> 	

ERVING COMMUNITY AND BUSINESS NEWS

ATTENTION ERVING RESIDENTS

NOW OPEN!!!!

(\$5 DOLLARS OFF your first class or session)



WILDHART WELLNESS

Yoga & Reiki Sessions

Yoga & Meditation \$15 – Mon /Wed 9:30am – 11am

Yoga Strength \$10 – Tues 6pm – 7pm

Yoga Barre \$10 – Wed 6pm – 7pm

Reiki appointments available!

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wildhartwellness@gmail.com

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DAN'S VEGGIES ROUTE 63 ERVING MA

**THANK YOU FOR A GREAT
SEASON!**



DAN'S VEGGIES

OPEN JUNE - NOVEMBER

151 NORTHFIELD ROAD

ERVING MA 01344

413-423-3242

Warren & Jacquelyn Boyden
OWNERS AND GROWERS SINCE 2007

FACEBOOK: DAN'S VEGGIES AND
POPLAR MOUNTAIN MAPLE

Krav Maga Classes

Krav Maga is a self-defense system derived from a combination of techniques used in aikido, boxing, judo, karate, and wrestling with an emphasis on efficiency and simplicity. It is a great way to get in shape while developing the skills and mindset to help keep yourself safe.

Everyone is welcome, regardless of experience, skill, or ability. Due to the mature nature of portions of the curriculum, anyone under 16 requires the consent of a parent or guardian.

Tuesdays and Wednesdays: 7:00P - 9:00P

Saturdays: 9:00A-11:00A

\$20/class or \$100/mo. unlimited classes

First class is free!

Western Mass Krav Maga

1 River St. #349

Erving, MA 01344

Call or Text: 413-324-8998

Email: wmkrav@gmail.com

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POPLAR MOUNTAIN MAPLE

151 Northfield Road Erving 413-423-3242

Warren, Jacquelyn, and Daniel Boyden

Email: dansveggies@comcast.net

2023 Price & Product List

1/2 Gallons \$34.00

Quarts \$22.00

Pints \$14.00

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

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

SENIOR & COMMUNITY CENTER AND PUBLIC LIBRARY HOURS		
Senior & Community Center 1 Care Drive	Monday thru Friday	8:30am – 3:00pm
Erving Public Library 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.	

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

Or on the web @

www.erving-ma.gov

