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Select Board Update

Submitted by Dawn Calley-Murdough

The New Hampshire Legislature approved a bill to ratify the results of Town Elections that were postponed due to the March 14 snowstorm. This bill enabled Town governing boards to ratify the results after holding a public hearing and vote of the governing body. The Nottingham Select Board did both at our meeting on May 5. So finally, the 2017 election was put behind us in early May.

The Marston property project continues to make progress. We are using cost estimates to finalize the design and an application for Alteration of Terrain permit has been filed with the State. At this point, we expect that Phase I will include a multi-purpose field combined with two baseball fields, and parking. The Town Administrator is also working with the NYA on grant applications to support construction.

With summer approaching, hopefully, don't forget that the Nottingham Town Beach is available to all town residents, and their guests when accompanied by a resident. Municipal Facility Stickers are required. You can find the Town Beach policy on the Town website under Forms & Documents. Contact the Recreation Department with any additional questions. And please be respectful of the property and pitch in to keep the beach area clean.

Speaking of the Recreation Department, Director Kortney Dorow has been busy introducing new programs and looking for more ways for Nottingham residents to have fun.

The Town website contains a wealth of information on the recreation programs, Town Departments and Town Boards and Committees. You can find the site at <http://www.nottingham-nh.gov/>. Bookmark it as a source of helpful information updates.

Respectfully,

Donna Danis, Charlene Andersen, Tiler Eaton, Charlie Brown and Tony Dumas

Nottingham Women's Club News and Events

Submitted by Diana Robinson

The Nottingham Women's Club Scholarship fund was created many years ago through the generosity of the women of Nottingham who believed in the value of education. The scholarship fund was established to encourage and assist students of Nottingham to further their education. The scholarship fund and application process is managed solely by The New Hampshire Charitable Foundation. Nottingham residents who are interested in furthering their education are encouraged to apply annually at www.nhcf.org.



Nottingham Women's Club is pleased to announce the two Nottingham \$1,000 scholarship recipients for the 2017/2018 academic year. Kiley Serpa, who recently graduated from Dover High School, will attend The UC Davis in San Diego, California to study biology. John Schlim will be attending The University of New Hampshire as a junior, and is studying computer science.

In May, NWC had its annual changing of the guard and new officers for the club were elected as follows:

- Diana Robinson, President
- Brooke Holman, Vice President of Marketing & Outreach
- Lauren Chaurette, Vice President of Social Affairs
- Dawn Fernald, Treasurer
- Tracey Black, Secretary & Scholarship Fund Lead

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- Dee Ann Dumas, Cupcake Fundraiser Lead
- Rebecca Domain, Scarecrow Contest Fundraiser Lead
- Lorraine Petrini, Candidates' Night Lead

Recently we hosted our annual Father's Day Cupcake fundraiser. Our Cupcake Fundraiser Extraordinaire, Dee Ann Dumas, single-handedly baked 50 dozen cupcakes! We want to thank Dee Ann for all her hard work! Thank you also to all who ordered cupcakes to make the fundraiser a great success.

Coming this Fall, the Scarecrows will be back! By popular demand, NWC will again be hosting the Scarecrow Contest Fundraiser Event throughout town! Stay tuned for more information about how you can join in on the fun this year by purchasing and decorating your own scarecrow to display.

Calling all Nottingham Women! (Young, old and in between)

Are you curious as to who the NWC is and what do we do? Do you envision that we just sit around and knit? Although we did do that once, we actually do all kinds of fun stuff! From a leisurely hike to Paint Night, to a night out at The Holy Grail, we love to have fun together. You'll have a chance to find out more about us at our July Open House.

Join us downstairs at the Blaisdell Memorial Library for a drop in Open House on July 20 between 6:30 and 8 p.m. Meet some of our members and have some fun treats to eat!

Follow what's happening with NWC on Facebook: Nottingham Women's Club NH or e-mail us at Nottinghamwomensclub@gmail.com.

Pawtuckaway Piecers Quilt Guild

Submitted by Karen Delisle

Our 'Shoe Box' shuffle is progressing and offering some of us exposure to new techniques or a chance to brush up on them! The bonus part is that each quilter will have 12 finished blocks in January, which is usually enough for a twin-sized quilt!

Our Program Team has been setting up some very interesting topics and demos. We also have enjoyed "Meet the Quilter" opportunities with several more scheduled. The Program Team is currently working on booking outside speakers. They have a fairly full schedule of activities yet to come.

The November Guild Retreat in Maine is currently open to just the ladies in the guild, we are now making installment payments for this fun opportunity. If you would like to find out more, drop in to one of our meetings.

We meet in the Community Center the second Monday of the month at 7 p.m. in the 'kitchen' room. Future meeting dates are July 10, August 14 and September 11. We meet throughout the year. Please drop in and check us out. There is no fee or limit on visits for visitors.

Pawtuckaway Piecers Quilt Guild is a small guild, with a cap of 35 members. We have room for new members, with all levels of ability welcomed. Our membership is not limited to Nottingham residents.

Nottingham Food Pantry

Submitted by Chelli Tennis

We are located in the Town Municipal Building. Our pantry services only Nottingham residents. Our mailing address is P.O. Box 209, Nottingham, NH 03290. We distribute on the third Thursday of each month. New clients by appointment, please. Call 679-5209. All calls are confidential.

Nottingham Student is one of Coe-Brown Northwood Academy's Top 10 Graduates

Submitted by Jude Chauvette

Marissa Gast, daughter of Lee and Leanne Gast of Nottingham, has been a member of the National Honor Society, the Latin Honor Society, track and field, the Math and Quiz Bowl Teams, theatre, Athena Club, student government, Concert and Jazz Bands and the Concert Chorus while a student at CBNA. Next year, Marissa plans to study in the University of New Hampshire's Life Sciences and Agriculture Honors Program with a focus on Environmental Science.

Nottingham Student makes Portsmouth Christian Academy's Highest Honors

Submitted by Laurie Legard

David Harju is the son of John and Ichiko Harju of Nottingham. David will be attending Grove City College in the fall and will pursue a degree in mechanical engineering. David was also accepted at Cedarville University.

David has maintained Highest Honors status while attending Portsmouth Christian Academy at Dover. David was a member of PCA's two-time regional champion Quiz Bowl team, as well as the school's Granite State Challenge and Math teams. He ran for the school's cross-country and winter track teams and participated in PCA's symphony orchestra and drama productions. David attends Tri-City Covenant Church in Somersworth, where he is active in music ministry. He has performed the role of Toby in the Rochester Opera House production of Sweeney Todd.

David works part time at the Market Basket in Lee. He is an accomplished chess player, winning the 2014 Danny Kopec New Hampshire Tornado Tournament (Novice Section).

Nottingham Democratic Committee

Submitted by Charlotte Fyfe

The Nottingham Democratic Committee welcomes you to join us. Meetings are held on the third Wednesday of each month at the Nottingham Town Hall, Room 1, at 7 p.m. At the meetings, there will be guest speakers, stimulating discussions, New Hampshire legislative updates and refreshments. Involve and inform yourself on matters important to you, your family, and neighbors. For further information, email Gwen Friend at gfnottinghamdems@gmail.com.

Nottingham Newsletter Volunteers

Submitted by Jen Bachhuber and Laurie Legard

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If you have an interest in helping with the newsletter please contact us at nottinghamnewsletter@gmail.com.



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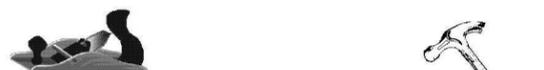
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Nottingham Recreation Department

Submitted by Samantha Beaudoin

Summer Camp started on June 26 this year and will go to August 18. Children attending camp will enjoy a full day packed with summer fun! Participants will enjoy organized games, art, swimming, free play, and field trips. Camp meets from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., with pre-camp care from 7:30 to 9 a.m. and post-camp care from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. The theme for summer 2017 is EXPLORERS! Go on to our website to see more information about our Summer Camp, Pioneer and Counselor in Training Program along with our Summer Camp brochure! Registration is available online or in office. Call 603-679-3435 with any questions for Kortney or Sam.

Lego Camp “STEM Challenge”: Create your own boats, snowmobiles, catapults and more during Lego Camp starting Monday, July 31 through Friday, August 4, 2017. There will be an Intro to Stem with Lego Materials for ages 5-6 from 9 a.m. to noon. There will be a Stem Challenge with Lego Materials for ages 7-12 from 1 to 4 p.m. The cost is \$135 for either session. Join Rec Camp for the week (excluding Wednesday) for \$40 additional.

Challenger Soccer Camp: Come join us this summer for our Challenger Soccer Camp from July 10-July 14 on the Community Center Fields. Registration needs to be completed by July 14 or a \$10 late fee will be added. During the Camp, ages 6-8 and 9-14 will have the field from 9 a.m. noon and ages 3-5 will have the field from 5 to 6 p.m. The cost for ages 6-14 is \$115 and cost for ages 3-5 is \$65. Register online at challengersports.com. Join Rec Camp for the week (excluding Wednesday) for \$40 additional.

Horse Riding Camp Mondays: Summer Camp will be providing transportation to Horse Riding Lessons at American Dream Stables this summer! Lessons will be on Mondays from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. The cost is \$25 for

transportation and \$50 for Riding Lesson. Register Online Today, Space is Limited! Riding Lessons are for ages 6-15 with group activities, riding lessons, crafts, games, etc. Groups will be broken up by ages in order to ensure everyone feels like they are participating with their peers. You must register with us (\$25) and with American Dream Stables (\$50). Registration for ADS is at americandreamstables.com.

Drama Camp: Sponsored by the Nottingham Theatre Project, Drama Camp will be held August 21-25 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday is a longer day with performances in the afternoon and evening. Children MUST attend every day, all week. Cost is \$90 per child. Deadline for registration is July 31. All registrations after this date are not guaranteed placement in the program and are subject to a \$10 late fee. This year the Drama Camp will be performing Oliver Twist.

Flag Football: This program is for boys and girls, ages 6-14 and is through the Exeter Recreation's NFL program. Practices will be held at the Nottingham School front field, and games take place in Exeter on the weekends. The first game will be scheduled soon. The cost is \$45 per child, registration will be up soon. Players must also register with NFL Online. A reminder that this is a program that is meant to be for fun for our community during the summer. Please remember to use good sportsmanship this summer so all can enjoy and come back year after year.

Martial Arts: Interested in learning Martial Arts? Join Brendan Behr on Monday and Wednesday nights in the Community Center Gym. Classes start at 5:30 p.m. for the beginner class with the intermediate class starting afterward. Martial Arts are for ages five through adults. There will also be a Ladies' Night Kickboxing and Self-Defense. The date for the Self-Defense class is to be determined. Contact the recreation office or Brendan for more information: brendan.behr@gmail.com.

Line Dancing is on Monday nights at 6 p.m. for beginners and 7 p.m. for intermediates. Classes at \$7 (drop in) or two-hour classes are \$8 (drop in). Classes are held at the Old Town Hall.

Senior 55+ Luncheon: Senior Luncheons will still be held this summer. On July 22 from noon to 1:30 p.m. we will be having a Saturday potluck lunch for seniors within the community. We ask seniors to bring either a dessert, lunch item or appetizer. We hope to meet some new faces and we would love to grow our amazing group of seniors!

Ready Rides is a volunteer driver and rider program designed to help residents in rural towns get to their medical appointments. This service is available to Nottingham residents who are 55 or older or for those who are disabled. Call 603-244-8719 to become a rider or a driver. Ready Rides is in need of two board members from Nottingham. Meetings are once a month in Northwood.

Senior 55+ Yoga: Missi D'Arcy from Symmetry Yoga will be doing a 60-minute stretching and yoga class for ages 55 and up on Wednesday mornings from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. starting on July 5. The cost is \$12 to drop in or you can purchase a 10-class punch card for \$100. This class will be held at the Old Town Hall. If you have your own yoga mat and a towel please bring it (although it is not required). You can register online, in the Recreation Office or in class with Missi. We look forward to this summer session!

Looking Forward: Nottingham Recreation is looking for Sponsors, Vendors and Volunteers for the Nottingham Day Festival. For an application please e-mail Samantha at recreation2@nottingham-nh.gov.

Nottingham Day Festival September 16: The Nottingham Day Festival is on September 16 and will include our first car show and the Rockin' Daddios playing tunes for us during the show. We will have food, games, crafts, live music and more! Please put this on your calendars!

Poets Studio of New Hampshire Inaugural Essay Contest

Submitted by Priscilla Carr

Poets Studio of New Hampshire acknowledges and financially supports emerging local poets and prose writers. The Studio's 2017 inaugural essay contest is "Roots" and the format is creative essay concerning place or characters. Who are you? Who or what defines you?

Competition is limited to residents of Rockingham County of any age or educational background. No submission fees. No reading fee. Entries accepted from July 1-July 30. A panel of three Studio Mentors will judge. On September 1, the recipient will be announced and receive a \$100 honorarium, ongoing support from a Studio Mentor and will read the essay on October 14 at WORDFEST 2017.

Submissions via hard copy or email to: Poets Studio of New Hampshire, Artistic Director, Priscilla Carr at priscillaecarr@gmail.com, or 17 Cove Road, Nottingham, NH 03290.

“Keen Agers”

Submitted by Ted White

Greetings! We would like to invite you to a 55 years and older group that we are calling “Keen Agers.” Keen = finely honed or razor sharp. The group will meet on the 1st Thursday of each month at 11:30 a.m. for soup, salad, sandwiches and an ongoing video series that takes place on location in Israel. We believe you will find this very interesting. We will also do some older songs lead by our own 90-year-old Joe Lipsey on the ukulele.

This group will meet at New Hope Church, 34 Raymond Road (Rte. 156) in the lower level. We hope you can join us for a good time together. Call 285-3533 for more information. Please leave a message.

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Coming soon to your local library: Summer Reading Program & a new online catalog!

Submitted by Eric Stern

There is a lot going on at the library, and more exciting change is coming over the next few months! By the time this article is printed and in circulation, we will have embarked on the journey of Summer Reading 2017 with programs aimed at children, teens and adults, and we also will have launched a new online public access catalog for our patrons.

Summer Programs at the Library

Summer Reading Program Coordinator Carrie Bounds has put together a great selection of programs for children this summer. In collaboration with the Nottingham Recreation Department, the Library is offering programs throughout July and early August which are sure to entertain, educate and inspire. Sign-up for the Children's Summer Reading program started on June 27. To see the complete picture of what is being offered at the library, please see the July/August calendar for children's Summer Reading Programs and Activities in this newsletter.

The teen advisory/book discussion group plans to meet each week through July and August, typically on Thursday evenings at 7 p.m. Changes to this schedule will be announced via Facebook and on the library's

online Google calendar. Teens – Join librarian Mary Irons and recent library "addition" Dan Bunker (many at Nottingham School may know him as Coach Dan) for engaging conversations on the books and media that you're consuming!

For adults, we will be bringing back an updated iteration of our "tournament of books," which we premiered last summer. Sixteen of the most popular recently-added titles in the Blaisdell Memorial Library's collection will face-off in head-to-head voting over the course of July and August...by the end of the summer, we will crown a champion. May the "best" book win!

On Thursday, July 27 at 7 p.m. at the Old Town Hall across from the library, the Friends of the Library are hosting a fun animal program featuring the Squam Lakes Natural Science Center! This program is open to patrons of all ages, and no advanced registration is required. The Science Center will be bringing three animals to share with us, and one of them may be a coyote. (Apparently, it depends on the coyote's mood the day of the program...but I'm keeping my fingers crossed.)

On Tuesday, August 8 from 1 to 2:30 p.m., for our 55+ patrons, we are offering a fun musical history program! "Your Hit Parade" aired on radio and then on television from 1935 to 1959. Cal Knickerbocker outlines a quarter century of the show's history as a "tastemaker" featuring songs inspired by the Great Depression, through the advent of rock and roll. Cal will explore the show's relationship with sponsor American Tobacco and Lucky Strike cigarettes and share stories about the artists the show helped launch and promote.

The Library's New Online Catalog: Apollo

Remember the days of the traditional card catalog? While I can definitely wax nostalgic about the benefits of the old ways and about my experiences as a boy

learning to navigate those impressive wooden drawers, the days of the physical card catalog being used as a card catalog are long gone. For the past 10 to 15 years, the majority of libraries have been operating with online public access catalogs, frequently referred to as "OPACs" in the library world. When the Blaisdell Memorial Library made the change to Follett Destiny in 2008, the community took a major step forward and opened the door of access to patrons, enabling them to search for library items from home, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

Today, having the library collection be accessible online isn't nearly enough. Online catalogs need to be user-friendly for patrons of all ages, be tailored to the specific needs of a library's patrons, and also play nicely with other emerging digital technologies. Destiny was not meeting those needs, so we're making a change.

By the time you read this, the library will have already made the switch to a new online catalog, Biblionix's Apollo. Apollo will enable us to keep the library moving forward technologically, and it represents a much more user-friendly, public library focused catalog than we had with Destiny. Here are three quick highlights of the new system:

- Apollo will communicate directly with Overdrive (aka NH Downloadable Books) and will provide search results for e-books and e-audiobooks through online catalog searches without having to search separately through the NH Downloadable Books website.
- You will receive automatic notifications in advance of materials becoming overdue. (Patrons who opt for text notifications can respond directly to texts they receive with "renew" and materials will automatically renew!)
- You will be able to tailor your experience via your online account much more so than with Destiny.

You can set preferences within your profile to automatically receive books from authors you like to read – without ever having to request that specific titles be held. If you're going away, you can even defer holds so you don't lose your place in line.

While there will likely be hiccups with this change, please contact the library with any questions you may have and we will work with you to bring you up to speed on the new system! You can call us at 679-8484, or email at blaisdellml@comcast.net.

For details on any library events, new materials added to the collection, museum passes, or just about

New Hope Church

Submitted by Chelli Tennis

We welcome you to come and join us at 10 a.m. for Sunday morning services at 34 Raymond Road (Route 156) in Nottingham. Other opportunities to get connected include:

- Grammys Praying for Grandchildren (Moms in Prayer International): Monday nights at 6:30-7:30 p.m.
- Wednesday Nursing Home Ministry: For information, call Joe at 942-5833.
- Women's Bible Study: On Wednesday nights. Call Donna at 734-4646 for more information.
- Wednesday Nights Men's Bible Study: For information, call Pastor Ted at 285-3533.
- Men's Breakfast at the Church: On the third Saturday of the month at 8 a.m.
- Praying for our wayward children: On the fourth Monday of the month at 7 p.m.
- Prison Ministry: On the fourth Saturdays of the month; for more information, call Pastor Ted.

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Conservation Commission News and Events

Submitted by Susan P. Mooney

Do you love it here? Please “give back” to help preserve what we cherish about Nottingham. Consider assisting, even just a few hours if you can, for any of the volunteer opportunities available to permanent and seasonal residents (young and not so young). Some suggestions include:

- Nottingham School (www.nottingham.k12.nh.us)
- Nottingham PTA (pta@nottingham.k12.nh.us)
- Food Pantry (679-5209)
- Boy, Cub and Girl Scouts
- Your church
- Pawtuckaway Lake Improvement Association (www.pawtuckawaylake.com)
- Blaisdell Memorial Library
- Friends of the Library (679-8484)
- Ready Rides always needs volunteer drivers <https://readyrides.org/>
- Town services: Planning Board, Zoning Board of Adjustment, and Conservation Commission, which are all advertising for alternate Board/Commission members, www.nottingham-nh.gov.

We are grateful to our volunteers and for any assistance to protect our quality of life in our town.

The Commission has begun its summer assignments. Four times a year members participate in the “Adopt a Highway” DOT program to pick up trash along a mile of Routes 152 and 156. The first clean up took two scheduled times because there was so much trash. We were grateful for the additional assistance of a resident. Many hands make light work. The next trash pickup will be in June or July.

Water quality testing at three sites on the North and Little Rivers will begin in June and continue into September. Every two weeks volunteers sample river water for oxygen concentration, turbidity, conductance and pH. Three community members have offered to assist with this project. Results are submitted to the Volunteer River Assessment Program (VRAP) where data is compiled from samples taken all over the state. At the end of the sampling season the results for the Lamprey River Watershed and others in the state are available at www.des.nh.gov/organization/divisions/water/wmb/vrap.

A third project scheduled for this summer is to begin mapping trails that are open to the public in Nottingham. Particular skills are required for this Trail Finder initiative, including GPS to create digital maps

of trails, so any assistance from the community would be very welcome.

Lastly for this summer, the Commission hopes to schedule a presentation for the Planning Board and residents on Dark Sky pollution. This topic was the senior project for a resident who just finished up at Plymouth State College.

Additional activities include an update of the Natural History inventory for Nottingham in anticipation of the next Master Plan Update. We intend to begin with locating and ranking all of the wetlands, including our smaller brooks, streams, and vernal pools with assistance from Strafford Regional Planning Commission.

If you are interested in helping with a project, or attending any of the upcoming programs please call the Select Board Office at 679-5022, visit the town’s webpage, www.nottingham-nh.gov, or contact the Commission via e-mail at nottcc2014@gmail.com.



The Commission meets every second Monday of the month at 7 p.m. in Conference Room #2, and schedules additional meetings as needed. The meetings are taped for broadcast on the local access channel for later in the week. Members of the public are always welcome and are encouraged to attend.

Planning Board News

Submitted by Susan P. Mooney

Scenic Road Tree Work: In April and May, Eversource and New Hampshire Electric Corp (NHEC) applied to the Board for Public Hearings regarding proposed tree cutting, tree trimming and brush cutting along several scenic roads in town. The scenic roads include Ledge Farm and Poor Farm Road (Eversource), and Mitchell, Kennard and Priest Roads (NHEC). According to the statute on Scenic Roads, RSA 231:158, listed activities such as tree cutting and trimming require that the Board hold a public hearing in order that residents are able to ask questions and voice opinions prior to the activity. On the list of trees provided by Eversource it was noted that several of the trees slated for cutting were ash trees. Due to concern of infection by the emerald ash borer, the Board asked that those trees be removed and disposed of offsite in a contained area. The response received was that Eversource does not

have a facility to do this. Their practice is to leave ash trees at log length to discourage the removal of logs by others. Both Eversource and NHEC are receptive to requests by landowners who about all utility rights of way corridors.

Projects: There are several projects before the Board at this time. In early spring, Board members prioritized a list of twelve (12) projects selected from the Master Plan Action Items located at the end of each chapter. From this list, roads, a floodplain update for the Zoning ordinance, a Dark Sky proposed ordinance and the protection of lower order streams and wetlands rose to the top. The Conservation Commission will address the latter two items and will bring their findings to the Board. A floodplain review will incorporate the new FEMA regulations. Three (3) Master Plan Action Items addressed local roads: pedestrian and bicycle safety, offsite improvements, and a review of scenic roads. Subsequently, the Board formed a committee that held its first meeting in early May to research and consider changes on these issues that would benefit the community. A week and a half later, committee members and other community representatives met with the Select Board to review the status of town roads, to note which roads are on the schedule for repair/upgrades, and to review financial considerations and recommendations.

Impact Fees (RSA 674:21): Mr. Bruce Mayberry of BCM Planning, LLC, met with the Board in late May. He reviewed the 2017 Study for the Impact Fee update that includes revisions to the School and the Fire Department Impact Fees as well as a proposed new impact fee for Recreation. At this time there are several options before the Board to consider which will be discussed at the first meeting in June. When the Board has selected which option best fits the anticipated capital improvements for these three departments, a public hearing will be scheduled to provide information and to entertain questions and discussion from the public.

The Planning Board is seeking Alternates. If you are interested, please contact JoAnna Arendarczyk, Land Use Clerk, at 679-9597, ext. 1, or attend an upcoming meeting. At each meeting, time is reserved for public comment and questions, outside of specific cases being heard. The Board meets the second and fourth (as needed) Wednesday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Municipal Office Complex. Meetings are televised on the local access channel and the public is always welcome to attend.

The Four Generals of Nottingham Monument

Submitted by Rhoda Capron

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This July 4 marks the 100th anniversary of the dedication of the Four Generals Monument located on Nottingham Square. On that day, back in 1917, the Else Cilley Chapter, National Society Daughters of the American Revolution invited people to the square to honor and remember those four men. This year the Chapter has decided to have a celebration on Saturday, July 15 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. to celebrate the 100th anniversary.

The monument is 16 feet tall, made of granite with a minuteman at the top and has the last name of each of the four Generals engraved on a side of the square base. The names are Cilley (General Joseph Cilley), Dearborn (General Henry Dearborn), Bartlett (General Thomas Bartlett) and Butler (General Henry Butler). All of them fought in the Revolutionary War and played a major role in the forming of the town and state. There is more information on the generals in the full article written by Katherine Fernald, which is available at the Historical Society and on line at forumhome.org/the-four-generals-of-Nottingham.

Blueberry Pancake Breakfast

Submitted by the Rhoda Capron

The Nottingham Historical Society will be having its annual Blueberry Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, August 13 from 8 to 10:30 a.m., rain or shine at the Nottingham Square School. There will be pancakes with wild blueberry syrup and/or real maple syrup, juice and hot beverages. Tickets for adults are \$5 and tickets for children are \$2.50. Come have a delicious breakfast with your friends and neighbors and support the Nottingham Historical Society.

The Schoolhouse Museum will be open for touring as well. The Van Dame Museum by the Town Offices will be open on the last Saturday of each month (July 29 and August 26) this summer from 9:30 a.m. to noon. Stop in to see some artifacts from Nottingham's past. Our new website is nottinghamhistoricalsociety.org/. Be sure to visit the web site for historical information, as well.