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Mission

The mission of The Rindge Connection is to integrate and engage Rindge residents, the Rindge business community and Franklin Pierce University in a positive and informative way.

Rindge Chamber of Commerce Member News

by Bethany Paquin

The Rindge Chamber of Commerce would like to remind everyone in the community to patronize the wonderful businesses in and around Rindge before shopping out of town. When we support our neighbors by shopping and doing business locally, everyone benefits!

The Rindge Chamber will not meet for breakfast in December due to the holidays.

Business After Hours

The Chamber of Commerce is pleased to announce our 2010 Holiday Business After Hours at the home of State Representative John B. Hunt on Wednesday, Dec. 15 beginning promptly at 5:30 p.m. This special event at the Hunt Castle (79 Sunridge Road, Rindge) has become an annual Chamber tradition members do not want to miss. Please respond to info@rindgechamber.org or by calling 899-5051.

Senior Holiday Dinner

The Rindge Chamber invites the senior citizens of Rindge to join us for an evening filled with great food, entertainment and holiday cheer. The Rindge Chamber and the Town of Rindge are pleased to co-sponsor the 9th Annual Senior Holiday Dinner. This year's event is Thursday, Dec. 16 at Hidden Hills. As always, this event is free to the seniors in our community. Please make reservations by calling the Recreation Department at 899-6847. Transportation and meal delivery are available with advance notification.

2010 Business Leader of the Year

Each year the Rindge Chamber of Commerce presents one business leader in our community

with the award of Business Leader of the Year at our annual dinner. Past recipients are David Tower, Candice Starrett, Skip Marsh and Andre Aho. The Business Leader of the Year is an individual who exemplifies the qualities of the business visionary. This person has shown outstanding success in business or industry through meaningful contributions to the local business community.

Please call 899-5051 or send e-mail to info@rindgechamber.org to request a nomination form.

Money Card Raffle

The Rindge Chamber is hosting a raffle to raise funds for Chamber events and projects. Beginning November 1, the chamber will draw a card every day for 26 days, skipping Sundays, for money prizes ranging from \$10 to \$100 plus a mystery prize on Thanksgiving Day. Each money card costs \$5 and includes 26 chances to win. Please purchase money cards from any chamber board member or at GFA Federal Credit Union in Rindge.

Save the Date

Please plan to join us for our Annual Dinner meeting on Saturday, Jan. 22, 2011 at Hidden Hills.

Welcome New Member!

Sugar and Spice Boutique
Cynthia Tommila
10 Route 12
Fitzwilliam, NH 03447
(603) 585-7185

For more information about becoming a member of the Rindge Chamber of Commerce; on information about any of our events or activities; to view past issues of the Rindge Connection; or to apply for membership, please call the Chamber at 899-5051, send e-mail to info@rindgechamber.org or visit the Chamber Web site at www.rindgechamber.org.

Franklin Pierce University to Hold Nov. 13th Open House

By Patricia Garrity



Area high school students and their families are invited to a November Open House at Franklin Pierce University on Saturday, Nov. 13 beginning at 9:30 a.m. Our campus in Rindge, N.H. is situated on 1,200 acres, against a backdrop of mountains and lakes, with easy access from Massachusetts Route 2 and NH Route 202. Visitors will discover the warm welcome we are known for as they attend presentations, tour campus and meet with our exceptional students, faculty, coaches and administrators.

You will have the opportunity to learn more about scholarships and grants, academic programs and student life. From our lake view townhouses for senior student living to our impressive athletic arenas, the Marlin Fitzwater Center for Communications and our 72,000 square foot airframe recreation center, Franklin Pierce University offers modern facilities and amenities you will appreciate in an academic community where your interests and needs are supported and recognized.

For further information and to reserve your spot, contact Franklin Pierce University by e-mail at admissions@franklinpierce.edu, call 800.437.0048 or visit our Web site at www.franklinpierce.edu.

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New England Stone Walls

by Timothy Derr

Living in New England you can't help seeing stone walls, they're everywhere. These stone walls were used for just about everything from boundary lines and property borders, corrals for livestock, and cemeteries to name a few. The stone walls that are found in New England are some of the most important and beautiful ever built. There are many stone walls throughout the world but only in New England do they rise to the status of landforms: icons of a region connecting natural history with human history. They are the threads that hold the historic landscape together.

The time period of approximately 1775 – 1825 was known as the golden age of stone wall building. During this time more stone walls were built in New England than any other period of time. The increase of stone wall building in New England during this time period was due to the direct link in the increased interest in farming in New England. Another reason for the increase in stone wall building was an increase of the population and new advances in travel and framing allowed stone walls to be built faster. Because of glacier activity in New England, plenty of stones can be found throughout the woods and fields of New England. Granite is the most common stone found throughout New England as granite is extremely hard and did not smooth out easily due to weathering, which made it the best stone of choice for building stone walls. Many people believe that stones grow in New England: you can't dig anywhere without hitting a stone. In fact there were once probably more than 250,000 miles of stone walls in New England, more than the distance to the moon, requiring about 3 billion man-hours to build.

Many people may just look at stone walls with no interest, as just a pile of rocks. But this is nonsense. These walls are neatly arranged, sometimes so intricately that you would think the stones were engineered to fit exactly as they were standing. These stone walls are monuments dating back to colonial times. They snake through the woods, line our roads, hold back ponds, span our brooks and circle our cemeteries. They show us where folks farmed and lived and created order with nature. They speak to us of human determination and the love for the land. New England stone walls are objects of timeless beauty and are an important part of the history of every New England town and should not be overlooked.

Tim Derr is the current President of the Rindge Historical Society

Computer Tutoring for Senior Citizens

By Marabeth Farmer



Franklin Pierce University students are offering seniors citizens (60 years and over) from the Monadnock region a series of free two-hour workshops covering basic PC computer skills. Students will assist participants using a variety of software programs ranging from e-mail, basic Internet skills, word processing and more.

These sessions are interactive and each participant will be working at their own pace. The computers you will be working on are Microsoft PC's. If you have a laptop computer, and prefer to use it, bring it with you. No previous computer experience is required.

This one-on-one tutoring program is staffed solely by student volunteers and is a project of the Franklin Pierce University Community Service Office.

These programs are scheduled for Saturday mornings from 10 a.m. to noon in the Franklin Pierce University IT computer lab on the Rindge campus. The new dates for these sessions are Nov. 6, 13, 20 and Dec. 4. Space is limited so please call to reserve your spot and get directions to the computer lab.

For more information and to make a reservation, please call The Franklin Pierce University Community Service office at 603.899.4166.

New England Cemeteries and Graveyards

by Timothy Derr

New England's cemeteries and graveyards are some of the oldest in the United States, dating well back to the country's beginnings. People have been living and dying in the New England area for almost 400 years: starting back in the 1600's. These people played an important part in shaping many of the events and history that has made the country into what it is today. In every New England town there are places that tell their stories, their lives, hardships along with their culture, poetry, theology, history and their attitudes toward death. These places are outdoor museums and town treasures; they are the New England Cemeteries and Graveyards.

If you like art, you can see up close some of the countries' earliest stone sculptures created by European settlers and their descendants in America. Each gravestone was hand engraved by local artisans, many of whose carvers had other jobs in the community such as: blacksmiths, furniture makers, and masons. Their designs and symbols crossed over into their gravestone carvings they created. Many commonly seen symbols can be interpreted in a variety of ways from sculptor to sculptor and can contrast greatly from the dark reminder of mortality or a skeletal grim reaper bearing his scythe to an angel's cherubic face

surrounded by intertwining flowers to the death dead with clinched teeth showing the hardships of life at that time.

Some of the gravestones are carved with symbols that relate to the individual's career or achievements, such as a ship at sea or anchor for a former sailor, or an organization they may have belonged to. One example of this is the Mason symbol. Many gravestones are carved with the person's portrait giving a glimpse as to what they looked like in life. Many early gravestones told the person's personal story such as birth and death dates, references to family members, achievements, causes of death and poetry describing the beauty of life and the solace of death, along with religious symbols, quotes and biblical excerpts and phrases from people that were seeking a place to practice their religion freely.

Come join the Rindge Historical Society as we take an interesting tour through the Rindge Town Cemetery located in the town center next to the Meetinghouse on Saturday, November 13 starting at 10:00 am. Your tour guide will be Tim Derr, so if you have any questions, please contact Tim at 899-5044.

Tim Derr is the current President of the Rindge Historical Society

The Rindge Connection

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Call (603) 899-5051 or e-mail rindgenewsletter@yahoo.com

Deadline is the 7th of the month preceding publication.



Your Dental Health

by Zane Broome, D.D.S.

Cosmetic Concerns

It hardly comes as a surprise that cosmetic, or aesthetic, dentistry has grown to be so popular among patients. After all, straight, white teeth are as essential to appearance as nice skin and coiffed hair. The most sought-after procedure is tooth-whitening, which can be performed in-office, at home, or a combination of the two. The most aggressive yet painless tooth-whitening techniques result in smiles several shades whiter in one office sitting. Next on the list of patient popularity are veneers used to correct cracked, chipped, discolored, and work teeth. These ultra-thin tooth coverings made of porcelain or composite materials look like natural teeth, only they are perfect. If a less-expensive option is desired, resin bonding provides a simple, effective method of tooth supplementation.

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Have A Safe Heating Season By Eric Poor

The Rindge Fire Department knows firsthand the tragedy fire creates. Firefighters would much rather prevent these tragedies than respond to them. In that spirit the department offers the following advice for starting the 2010-2011 heating season.

- Now is a good time to change the batteries in your battery-operated smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. Batteries should be changed at least once a year. The changeover to or from Daylight Saving Time is a good way to jog your memory to do this. Daylight Saving Time ends on the first Sunday in November, which is Nov. 7 this year. Detectors should also be tested monthly. If an alarm “chirps,” warning the battery is low, replace it right away. Smoke detectors have a ten-year life span and should be replaced every ten years. Remember smoke alarms save lives. According to the National Fire Protection Association, working smoke alarms cut the chances of dying in a fire in half. People in need can obtain smoke detectors from the Fire Department: contact Fire Prevention Specialist Casey Burrage at the Fire Station 899-3324.

- Carbon Monoxide is an invisible, odorless gas produced by burning fuel. People can be poisoned by a small amount of CO over a long period of time or by a large amount over a short period of time, according to the NFPA. Extremely high levels of CO can cause death within minutes. To reduce the risk of CO poisoning make sure your furnace

is serviced annually by a professional, prior to the heating season; keep dryer, stove, furnace and fireplace vents clear of snow, ice, leaves and debris; don’t leave a vehicle running in an attached garage; use barbecue grills and generators outside only and away from doors, windows and vents. Install and maintain CO detectors in the home to provide an early warning system.

- Have the fire department inspect the installation of a wood stove. People who burn wood for heat should clean or have their chimneys cleaned at least once a year, prior to the heating season; more often if wood heat is heavily used. Chimney fires are the most common residential fires in Rindge. Regular chimney cleaning and burning dry, well-seasoned wood, are the most effective ways to prevent these fires.

- Don’t forget to maintain at least 36 inches of distance between the wood stove and any combustible materials. Before you kindle that fire make sure you haven’t moved household items closer to the stove over the warm months when the stove wasn’t being used.

- Now that the lawn mowing and grilling season is done be sure to store that gas can and propane tank outside the home, not in the basement.

The Firefighters and EMTs of the Rindge Fire Department wish you and yours a safe and warm winter season.

Rindge Capital Improvement Plan by Carlotta Lilback Pini and Dave Duvernay

The Capital Improvements Plan (CIP) Committee has interviewed the various Department Heads and gathered their requests for capital improvements over the next six years. We have attempted to prioritize these capital needs and have presented our recommendations to the Rindge Board of Selectmen. They in turn will ask the Budget Advisory Committee for their recommendations, too.

We all recognize the urgency of replacing capital equipment which through long and hard use, even with regular maintenance, has seen better days and often fails when needed. Although it is expensive to replace equipment, it is much more expensive and perhaps foolish to attempt to repair equipment items which have exceeded their useful lives when most of their parts keep failing.

The Committee’s task in preparing a CIP has been made more difficult because taxpayers in recent years have rejected the final CIP proposals. Here’s what we recommend this year:

The Fire Department must replace three pieces of equipment in 2011 and repair one: we must replace Engine 2 for \$325,000, purchase an emergency response vehicle for \$30,000, buy SCBA air packs for \$70,000, and recondition the Reel Truck pump for \$10,000. We recommend bonding for Engine 2 as we attempted to do last year for the then price of \$250,000.

The Police Department should replace at least one cruiser a year (3 cruisers have over 150,000 miles on them). Highway must replace an 18-year-old Dump truck (with a 10-year useful life) for \$156,000, as we attempted to do last year by bonding the then \$150,000 cost.

We should save for future needs, too. Solid Waste’s hauling truck must be replaced in 2012. We should save money for a utility vehicle for the Rec Department and put away money each year for the required 2015 Revaluation.

A few years ago the Committee had developed a plan to set aside \$275,000 a year to keep ahead of our future needs, but for various reasons voters over the years didn’t agree. Now, we calculate we’ll need to set aside about \$400,000 a year to keep up. We urge you to give serious consideration to voting next March to save for the future of Rindge.

Rindge CIP Committee consists of Ted Covert, Adrienne Hudson, Charles Mathis, Kim McCummings, Richard Isakson, and Dave DuVernay

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Ingalls Memorial Library Successful Summer Reading by Georgianna Connor

The Ingalls Memorial Library in Rindge with the help of 110 children, had a successful summer reading program. These children read 157,888 minutes in five weeks time! During the program the children were entertained by: the Mickey Spain Musical Jamboree, local children’s Illustrator Beth Krommes from Peterborough, American Red Cross, and storyteller Simon Brooks. The library and Georgianna Connor, Children’s Librarian would like to thank the following volunteers for their help: Arianne Miller, Sarah Faulkner, Julie Labonte, Jakob Miller, Seamus Miller, Lila Seppala, Meghan Kargela, Hannah O’Leary and Maggie O’Leary.

Also thank you to the following businesses, organizations and people who generously made donations to our program: GFA Credit Union, Walmart, Hannaford, Signature Smile Dental, Market Basket, Tower and Crocker PA, Keene Orthodontic Specialists, Alpine Motor Company, Pizza Haven of Rindge, V & A Cleaning Systems Inc., Pumpkin Organization of Rindge, Rotary Club of Jaffrey-Rindge, Rindge Women’s Club, Rindge Parent-Teacher Group, Rindge Chamber of Commerce, Byrne Foundation, CHILIS, Cogswell Benevolent Trust, NH Library Association, NH State Library, Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Boudreau, Linda Tower, Terry Ann and Tessa Saint Towers, and Julie Skinner-Brown. Also thank you to the parents for allowing their children to be involved in our program and for seeing the importance of how reading over the summer helps to make an easier transition into the new school year.

Georgianna Connor is the Children’s Librarian of the Ingalls Memorial Library in Rindge

Santa Coming to Rindge / Congregational Church Snowflake Fair Nov. 27

The First Congregational Church of Rindge will have its annual Snowflake Fair Saturday Nov. 27 at the Rindge Town Meeting House from 9:00AM -2:00 PM. There will be Handmade Crafts, Delicious Baked Goods, Mouth Watering Candy, Decorated Holiday Wreaths, Antique Treasures, Rada Knives, and a hearty lunch available for purchase. New this year will be a Pre-Wrap Shop with Holiday Gifts already wrapped for your convenience!

Of course, Santa will be there to meet the children from 11:00 AM- 1:00 PM. So bring the family and friends, your camera and your Santa wish list! Plan on doing your Holiday shopping at the First Congregational Church Fair. The money raised is spent here in the community supporting: The Local Food Pantry, local families in need, CROP Walk for Hunger, Local Youth Scholarships, Cathedral of the Pines, Child and Family Services and the Church and Mission Projects. See you there on Nov. 27!

Rindge Recreation Department

by Craig Fraley

Office Hours:

Monday – Friday 9am – 5:00pm
We may be out running errands or programs. Please be sure to utilize our night drop box outside the main door to the Wellington Community Center or call before coming down.

Office Phone: 603-899-6847
Website: www.town.rindge.nh.us

Recreation Staff:

Craig C Fraley CPRP – Recreation Director
Ethan Perry – Sports Coordinator
Joshua Lapinsky – Afterschool Program Coordinator
Sierra Knight – Afterschool Program Leader
Jean Kundert – Function Facilitator

Special Events

Community Supper

Sponsored by RRD
No need to cook or do the dishes on this night. Let our Master Chefs do all of the work. The theme behind this community supper is to highlight some of our programs. As the final task of the Master Chef Club, they will be cooking up a delicious meal for any community member willing to see what skills they have mastered. We will also be showing off our CATCH (Coordinated Approach to Children's Health) program by offering games and healthy hors-d'oeuvres and deserts.

Who: Rindge Community Members
When: Friday November 19th
Time: 5 – 6:30pm

Where: Rindge Community Center
Fee: \$7 per person, \$30 maximum family fee
Please RSVP by Thursday, November 18th

Holiday Tree Lighting

Sponsored by Atlas Fireworks, RAMS, and the RRD
Christmas is a special time of year. The RRD wants you to live in the holiday magic. The 2010 Citizen of the year and Young Citizen of the year will be presented. We will also have performances by various groups and finishing off the night with a bang with a viewing of Santa and Atlas Fireworks.

Please bring a flashlight
Who: Everyone
When: Friday December 3rd
Where: Rindge Town Common
Time: 7pm

Breakfast with Santa

Coordinators: RRD and Rindge Recreation Committee
Nothing brings in the Christmas cheer more than having Breakfast with Santa. Bring your list because he'll be checking it twice!
We will be serving pancakes, eggs, sausage, fruit, and more.
Who: Everyone
When: Saturday, December 4th
Where: RMS
Time: 8am – 10am
Fee: \$5 per person or \$25 maximum family charge
Ages 2 and under eat for free

9th Annual Senior Holiday Dinner

Sponsored by the Rindge Recreation Department and the Rindge Chamber of Commerce
Please join us for an evening filled with great food entertainment and holiday cheer. We will also be announcing the newest recipient of the Boston Post Cane.
Who: Senior Citizens from Rindge
Where: Hidden Hills Banquet Facilities
When: December 16th
Time: 5-5:30pm Seating and Hors-d'oeuvres
Dinner: 5:30pm – Turkey Dinner
Fee: Free Event
Prior Reservation is required

You must RSVP no later than December 10th by calling the Recreation Department at 899-6847.

Youth Sports

Instructional Basketball

Players will learn the FUNdamentals of youth basketball. This fun league will work on all the necessary skills that it takes to play basketball. Players will be split up into different age groups for this league.
Who: Rindge Players Grades K-4
When: Saturday Mornings
Dates: January 8th – February 19th
Where: RMS Gym
Fee: \$25
Late Fee \$10 After December 10th

Silver and Emerald Valley Basketball (SVEV)

SVEV is a recreation travel program that travels to places as far as Antrim, Keene, Amherst and all of the towns between. Players will have the opportunity to build their skills in both practices and game situations.
Who: Grades 5-8 from Jaffrey and Rindge
Where: Monadnock Region
When: 5th & 6th grade Player Draft November 20th
Time: Silver (boys) 9 – 10:30am
Emerald (Girls) 10:30am – 12pm
Grades 7-8 TBD
Location: RMS Gym
Season: December 1st through mid February
Fee: \$65 if you register before November 1st
\$10 late fee after November 1st.

Trips

Trip to Pheasant Lane Mall and Christmas Tree Shop

Leader: Craig Fraley
Spend the day in Nashua getting some early Christmas shopping in. We will spend the first part of our day at the Pheasant Lane Mall. At a pre-determined time we will load back in the van and head to The Christmas Tree Shop for some great bargains.
Who: Adults
When: Tuesday Nov 9th
Where: Nashua, NH
Departure: 9:30am at Wellington Park
Return: 4pm
Fee: \$10, Prior Registration is required

A Day in Boston

Leader: Craig Fraley
Make it your day while we drive down to Boston for what ever your pleasure is. Shopping at Faneuil Hall/ Quincy Market, visiting the Boston Public Library or exploring the Boston Common and Aquarium. We will have two drop off and pick up spots in Boston. Drop off 1 will be outside Quincy Market. From there you can reach 100's of shops, restaurants and the Boston Common. The other Stop will be outside the Boston Public Library. What you do after you get dropped off is up to you. You just need to be back in time for pick-up.
Who: Adults
When: Thursday December 9th
Departure: 9am from Wellington Field
Return: 6pm
Fee: \$15, Prior Registration is required
Pick up times will be announced on the day of the trip

Teen and Family Ski Trip to Stowe, VT

Leader: Craig Fraley
Stowe gets an annual average snowfall of 333 inches of snow. That equals almost 28 feet of snow per year. This is the closest to natural snow skiing that you will get on the east coast. This two day one night trip will leave early on Monday morning for a day of riding. After our first great day we will head

to the Round Hearth Lodge Youth Lodge for a night of hot tubs, game rooms, and relaxation.

The Round Hearth specifically caters to youth groups. Separate gender sleeping quarters, all you can eat meals and many amazing table and arcade games to play. Fee includes two days skiing, accommodations, dinner, breakfast and transportation.

Who: Grades 6 and up (families are welcome*)
When: February 21st – 22nd
Where: Stowe, VT
Departure: 6am on February 21
Return: 6pm on February 22
Fee: \$220 per person
A non-refundable deposit of \$50 per person is due by January 7th
Final payment is due by February 1st
*Children in Grades 5 and under must have an adult family member with them.

Youth Programs

Baby Toddler Play Group

Leader: Stacey Little
Bring your child(ren) down to the Rindge Community Center at Wellington Park for a morning of fun and games for the kids and support and social time for parents. This playgroup is important for the socialization of both children and adults.
Who: Babies through Parents
When: Monday Mornings
Time: 9:30 – 11:00am
Fee: donations accepted

Home School Fridays

Leader: Arianna Miller
Get out and play with other home school families at the Rindge Community Center. This program is an informal place for home schoolers to meet one another, play both inside and out while getting to know some new friends.
Who: Home School children and parents
When: Every 1st and 3rd Friday of the month starting November 5th
Where: Rindge Community Center
Time: 10am - noon
Fee: Donations accepted.

4-H Sewing Bees Club

Leader: Maggie Decker
Would you like to learn to sew? Are you between ages of 5 & 13 and have a few hours a month to have fun in a 4-H club?
Who: Ages 5-13
When: Second Wednesday of the month
Where: Rindge Community Center
Time: 6-8pm
Fee: Free Program

Afterschool Program (ASP)

ASP Coordinators: Joshua Lapinsky

Is your child spending the afternoon home alone sitting in front of the TV? Why not get them outside for some serious fun. Participants get bussed over to Wellington Park for an afternoon of fun, games and maybe a little homework too.

Each Tuesday participants will go somewhere local for a short field trip. Examples are hiking, sledding, farming and any other creative place we can think of.

Monday, Wednesday and Thursday will be physical activity days. Kids should come dressed for some serious fun and games.

Register for the month, week, or individual days. Please go to www.town.rindge.nh.us to download registration form.
Who: RMS Students
When: Monday through Friday from 3:30pm – 5:30pm
Where: Wellington Park/Rindge Community

Center
Fee: \$8 per day, \$35 for the week or \$125 for the month
Registration Deadline is the Friday before the week you are attending.

Ski Programs

Thursday Night Lights – Crotched Mountain Ski Program

Leader: Craig Fraley
There is nothing like getting out of school and heading to the mountain for an afternoon/evening of skiing. Students will be picked up from both JRMS and RMS and driven to Crotched Mountain.
At this time we are only taking kids who have a season's pass to Crotched Mountain and need a ride up and back.
Who: Grades 6-10
When: Thursdays, 1/13-2/10 (2/17 make up date)
Where: Crotched Mountain Ski and Ride
Time: Students return to Wellington Park by 8pm
Transportation Only: \$30

Potluck Skiing

Coordinator: Craig Fraley
It is snowing out, School is canceled and you just want to get to Crotched Mountain for some fresh powder. Now is your chance...
When school is canceled and it is snowing out call the RRD between 9am and 9:30am. We will be departing from Wellington Park at 10am and returning by 4:30pm.
This program is weather dependent. If the roads are deemed way too bad for driving or Crotched Mountain is closed, we will not be going.
Who: Grades 3 and up
When: Jaffrey/Rindge School District snow days
Fee: \$5 (includes transportation only)

Activities for the Seasoned Citizen

Morning Coffee

Coordinator: RRD Staff
Sit down with fellow community members for great conversation and a cup of coffee.
Who: Rindge Residents
When: Every Wednesday Morning
Where: Rindge Community Center at Wellington Park
Time: 9am – 10am
Fee: Free Program

The Lunch Mobile

Leader: Craig Fraley
Discover the diners of New Hampshire and Vermont. This monthly trip will pick go to a different diner within an hour and a half drive from the RRD in the Recreation van. We will choose diners where meals can be purchased for under \$10. We will also allow time after lunch to explore the area.
Who: Rindge Residents
Where:
Monday November 15th – Black Water Junction, Andover NH – Depart 9:30am
Monday December 13th – Red Arrow Dinner, Manchester NH – Depart 9:30am
Fee: \$5 for transportation (lunch is on you)
Prior Registration is required

Adult Programs

What is Yeast?

Instructor: Tom Ciglar
If your Jeopardy question to this answer was: What simple ingredient can ether make or break your delicious home baked bread? Then you are right. Tom Ciglar will help participants overcome bread making anxieties forever with this class on bask yeast bread.

Rindge Recreation Department

by Craig Fraley

Learn to mix and knead breads that are successful every time. Bake your own loaf of bread, learn loaf shaping techniques, and understand how ingredients work together to make great bread.

Who: Adults

When: Saturday, November 6th

Time: 9am – 3pm

Location: Rindge Community Center

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How to Register for a Program:

Drop Off: Completed registration form and payment may be dropped off at any time during the RRD operating hours or after hours may be dropped in the mail slot next to the main entrance to the Rindge Community Center.

Mail: Mail completed registration form and payment by check or money order (sorry no credit card) to:

Rindge Recreation Department
PO Box 163
Rindge NH 03461

Phone registrations are not accepted without form of payment, because every program requires full payment and a signed registration form in order to be processed.

Franklin Pierce Athletes Support Breast Cancer Awareness

By Matthew Janik



Franklin Pierce field hockey showing support by wearing pink jerseys.

From the moment the fall schedules were released, it was clear that Saturday, Oct. 2 was a day full of events at Sodexo Field for Franklin Pierce Athletics. It ended up being a day full of the Ravens supporting the community, as well.

Franklin Pierce's field hockey, women's soccer and men's soccer teams played one after the other at Sodexo Field that day, and all three used their events to help raise awareness for breast cancer and collect donations for the Norris Cotton Cancer Center at Kingsbury Pavilion in Keene. When all was said and done on Breast Cancer Awareness Day in Rindge, the Ravens had collected over \$200 to benefit the organization.

The idea to hold the event came not from University or Department of Athletics administration or staff, but from the student-athletes themselves, specifically the captains of the Ravens field hockey team.

"We thought it would be a good idea for us to really come out at the beginning of the month and do something for breast cancer," said senior field hockey tri-captain Jordan Baillargeon. "We definitely want people [in the community] to know that we support them and we support their families."

As the originator of the idea, the field hockey program went all out in its planning for the event, as the team ordered pink jerseys to wear for their game that afternoon against American International. Many members of the field hockey team dyed portions of their hair pink and/or wore pink ribbons in their hair and other pink accessories for the contest as well.

As word spread and momentum grew around the event, both soccer teams were approached to get involved as well. Both the women and the men sported various pink accessories, ranging from cleats to wristbands to shoelaces for their games later in the day, as the field hockey team stuck around to collect donations throughout the rest of the day after its day wrapped up. It wound up creating a full day of pink-centric events at Sodexo Field.

"Obviously it's a great cause getting the community involved, raising awareness, raising money all day long," said women's soccer junior co-captain Amanda Panaro. "It's good to have not just our two [women's] teams come together, but also the men's [soccer] team to be a part of it as well."

Though breast cancer is seen by many as a disease which primarily impacts women, the importance of the day was not lost on Ravens men's soccer.

"It's not something that men cannot be involved with," said men's soccer junior and co-captain Victor Goncalves, noting that breast cancer can always affect friends and family members. "It is always important to be socially responsible to issues like that."

In the near future, Head Field Hockey Coach Meighan Guiney and select student-athletes hope to personally deliver the collected donations to the Norris Cotton Cancer Center. In addition, the Department of Athletics hopes to work with the organization in the winter to conduct further breast cancer awareness events through its women's and men's basketball programs, as well as the ice hockey team. For now, the student-athletes are simply happy to do their part in the community.

"We just want to make sure that everyone knows that we're not just a field hockey team," said Baillargeon. "We want to show that we care about the community and we want to do as much as we can for them."

For more information on this recent event and Franklin Pierce Athletics in general, be sure to visit the department's official Web site (<http://athletics.franklinpierce.edu>).

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ANNUAL MEETING

By Timothy Derr

The Rindge Historical Society will be holding its meeting this year on Saturday, November 6, 2010 at the Meetinghouse in the center of town. The meeting will start at 10:00 a.m., the public is welcome. There will be a presentation on an historical subject and a brief discussion about the Rindge Historical Society.

The Rindge Historical Society and Museum is located on School Street and is open every Wednesday morning from 10:00 am -2:00 pm or longer if visited and is opened the first Saturday of each month.

Tim Derr is the current President of the Rindge Historical Society

Operation Santa in Rindge by Rae DuVernay

OPERATION SANTA in Rindge begins November 19, 2010. The Rindge Woman's Club is again sponsoring OPERATION SANTA to provide clothing and toys to Rindge children whose parents are unable to afford to purchase them for Christmas. Christmas trees will be placed at TD Bank and Wal-Mart. Franklin Pierce University also has a tree seeking socks and books for each Rindge child. Help us fill Santa's bag with toys and clothing for children who need our help during the holidays. Please take a tag, buy a toy or clothing gift, and return the wrapped gift with its original tag to the same location by Wednesday, December 15, 2010.

If you or anyone you know is in need of assistance, please call Rae DuVernay at 899-5658 as soon as possible. Fictitious names are written on the tags and identities remain confidential.

The Rindge Woman's Club believes all children should have presents to open and families in need should have food on the table on Christmas. May the spirit of giving be in your heart by helping the Rindge Woman's Club OPERATION SANTA.

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Lawson constructing Camera Obscura with ETA class

Franklin Pierce Professor Robert Lawson is leading his Experiencing the Arts class in constructing a large camera that will soon be open to the public.

By Alison Harper



Robert Lawson, a Fine Arts professor, recently started working on a project with his Experiencing the Arts class. They researched what a Camera Obscura is and how to construct one. He is hoping to have the whole structure completed in the next month. At that time it will be open during the day for public use.

The Camera Obscura is being built on Tuesdays and Thursdays during Lawson's hour and fifteen minute long class period. It is taking place outside of the Ravencroft Theater across from DiGregorio. It started with some basic research beginning with the eye and how it works. The class then put some information together about what the term "obscura" means. They researched the histories of film and photography and finally learned how to construct the camera.

Lawson is also working on a project with some students he worked with in Athens this past summer. There will be a performance on the Franklin Pierce campus in January 2011. In addition, Lawson was co-producer of "What Goes Up", a film that was shown at the Vassar Film Fest in Washington D.C the weekend of Oct. 22.

You can follow the progress of the Camera Obscura production on the Web at <http://www.pierceobscura.net/Welcome.html>.

It is time to renew your Rindge Chamber of Commerce membership for 2011.

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- A free listing on our Web site, (www.rindgechamber.org),
- Free listings in the print Chamber Directory published twice each year in the Rindge Connection (We will be publishing a directory of 2011 Rindge Chamber of Commerce members in the January issue of the Rindge Connection. Please renew your membership now to be included.)
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November and December Calendar of Events

November

- 10 - Public Services Series: Police Department and Recreation Department;** Community Center at Wellington; 7 p.m.
- 13 - Tour through Rindge Town Cemetery;** Town Cemetery; 10 a.m.
- 17 - Board of Selectmen Meeting;** Town Offices; 6 p.m.
- 27 - Snowflake fair;** Rindge Town Meeting House; 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Santa 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

December

- 1 - Board of Selectmen Meeting;** Town Offices; 6 p.m.
Operation Santa; Rindge Woman's Club; Month of December; TD Bank and Walmart
- 2 - Holiday Luncheon;** Rindge Woman's Club; Concert by Rindge Memorial School; Meeting House; 12 p.m. - 2 p.m.
- 4 - Live Nativity;** Monadnock Bible Baptist Church, South Woodbound Road; 5 p.m. - 8 p.m.; free
- 4 - The Messiah;** Franklin Pierce University Fieldhouse; 8 p.m.; free
- 5 - Monadnock Flutes performance;** Cheney Hall, Franklin Pierce University; 2 p.m.; free
- 6 - Franklin Pierce University Singers;** Cheney Hall, Franklin Pierce University; 12:30 p.m.; free
- 6 - Lachrimae performance;** Cheney Hall, Franklin Pierce University; 8 p.m.; free
- 7 - Franklin Pierce Choral Union;** Cheney Hall, Franklin Pierce University; 3:30 p.m.; free
- 7 - Franklin Pierce Percussion Ensemble;** Cheney Hall, Franklin Pierce University; 5 p.m.; free
- 8 - Electronic Music performance;** Cheney Hall, Franklin Pierce University; 6 p.m.; free
- 8 - Public Services Series; The Fire Department and Library;** Community Center at Wellington; 7 p.m.
- 15 - Board of Selectmen Meeting;** Town Offices; 6 p.m.
Senior Dinner Project; Rindge Woman's Club; Volunteers needed
Rindge Chamber Holiday Business After Hours; Hunt Castle (165 Sunridge Road, Rindge); 5:30 p.m.; free;
RSVP to info@rindgechamber.org
- 16 - Senior Holiday Dinner;** 5 p.m.; free
- 29 - Board of Selectmen Meeting;** Town Offices; 6 p.m.

Calendar Submissions and Clarifications

Please submit information on upcoming events that are open to the public and of interest to the general public by the 7th of the month preceding publication. Include date and day of the week, event, time, location, sponsoring organization, cost (if applicable) and contact information. Send to rindgenewsletter@yahoo.com or call (603) 899-5051. All meetings are subject to change or cancellation. Please call ahead to verify the schedule.

Regular Monthly Meetings

Day of Month	Name of Meeting	Description	Location	Time
1st Monday	Recreation Committee Meeting	Monthly Meeting	Comm. Center at Wellington	5:30 p.m.
1st Wednesday	Chamber of Commerce Board Meeting	Monthly Board Meeting	Town Offices, 30 Payson Hill Road	7:30 a.m.
1st Friday	Economic Development Committee	Monthly Meeting	Town Offices, 30 Payson Hill Road	8:00 a.m.
Every Other Wednesday	Board of Selectman	Monthly Meeting	Town Offices, 30 Payson Hill Road	6:00 p.m.
1st & 3rd Tuesday	Planning Board	Bimonthly Meeting	Town Offices, 30 Payson Hill Road	7:00 p.m.
4th Tuesday	Zoning Board of Adjustment	Monthly Meeting	Town Offices, 30 Payson Hill Road	7:00 p.m.
1st & 3rd Thursday	Roadway Committee	Monthly Meeting	Town Offices, 30 Payson Hill Road	12:30 p.m.
2nd Monday & 4th Thursday	Conservation Commission	Bimonthly Meeting	Town Offices, 30 Payson Hill Road	7:00 p.m.
2nd Tuesday	Emergency Operations Planning	Monthly Meeting	Town Offices, 30 Payson Hill Road	10:00 a.m.
2nd Wednesday	Library Trustees	Monthly Meeting	Ingalls Memorial Library	5:30 p.m.
2nd Monday	Joint Loss Management (Safety) Committee	Monthly Meeting	Town Offices, 30 Payson Hill Road	12:30 p.m.
1st Saturday	Historical Society Museum open	Monthly	24 School Street	10 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Every Wednesday	Historical Society Museum open	Weekly	24 School Street	10 a.m. to Noon
Every Tuesday	Weight Watchers	Weekly	Comm. Center at Wellington	4:30 p.m.
Every Wednesday	Senior Coffee Hour	Weekly	Comm. Center at Wellington	9:00 to 10:00 a.m.

Web sites for more event information:

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Happy 20th Birthday R.A.M.S. (Rindge Athletic Men's Social club)

by John Ciarcia

The R.A.M.S. have been around for 20 years. The following is a little about their history. In the Spring of 1989 flyers were hung all over Town asking for Men over 30 to play softball. Enough people signed up to form 2 teams, which were aptly named the "Red Team" and the "Blue Team". We had an enjoyable year of softball even though the Fields and Recreation facilities had a lot to be desired. After playing softball all Summer, the man who organized the "Softball League", George Vagalebre, decided to take things to the next level. George got a total of 5 individuals together to begin a club. The original 5 members were Ray Gagne, Keith Griffin, Kim Ostreicher, John Ciarcia and George. The club was named the R.A.M.S. which stood for "Rindge Athletic Men's Social" Club. The main focus of the club would be to build its membership to a point where it could fundraise and be an anchor for improving and expanding the Recreation Facilities in Town. As the club grew, guidelines needed to be put into place. We set up a structure that would allow a maximum of 19 Directors, wrote a club "Statement of Purpose" and wrote down parameters for our club. By the end of 1992 we had grown to our club capacity of 19 devoted Directors. In 1990 we elected our first RAMS President who logically was founder George Vagalebre. The first official RAMS meeting was held in 1990 in the Town Library. In October of 1990 we took our next big step and filed with the State of NH to become a recognized club with tax-exempt status.

On October 13th, 1990 the RAMS held their first fundraiser, which was a car wash located at the Rindge Fire Department. Other popular activities from our earlier days were RAMS Dances. Each Dance had a different theme, included munchies, coffee and sometimes free

drinks. Our first dance was held on February 1st, 1991 at Hidden Hills. We averaged almost 3 dances a year for our first 10 years. Some themes over the years were Halloween Costume Party (our most popular), a 50/60's theme, Hat Dance, Tie Dance, Hawaiian Beach Party, Dancing Through the Decades and the Toga Party. For a change of pace, in April 1994, we hired a Live Band for our "Country Western Dance" (with free Line Dancing Lessons). We expanded in other ways also. The RAMS decided that a nice way to fundraise and make us visible to the Community would be to run a few booths at local Festivals. We started out during the early years by running a Flea Market table and games at the Rindge Harvestfest. In the past several years we have run 3 of the inflatable rides with the Sno-moles at the Rindge Family Festival. One of our most popular fundraisers/events has been our "Harlem Rockets Comedy Basketball Game". In April of 1996 and 1999, the RAMS hired the Harlem Rockets to play a team made up of a variety of local residents. The Rockets' game is an event similar to the World Famous Harlem Globetrotters. In 2004 the RAMS decided to give something directly back to the people of our Community by absorbing most of the cost for another "Rockets Comedy Basketball Game". The game was held at the FPC Field House. A great show was put on by both the Rockets and the Rindge All-Stars. We also co-sponsored the Rindge Comedy for almost 10 years (that ended this year). The RAMS have also been involved in a number of local sports. They are most well-known for the over-30 softball leagues which have been running for over 20 years in Town. The RAMS have also had teams in a local bowling league, had a pond hockey league for a few Winters and had a team in a Rindge

Flag Football League. Playing in a league where most of the players were over 20 years younger, our highlight was our one victory. Also in 1992 the RAMS started an over 30 basketball pickup league that is still active today even though many of its members have had to retire.

Like any club or organization the RAMS have had a lot of membership turnover through the years. Since the club was organized in 1989 there are still 2 out of the 5 original members, Keith Griffin and Chach, active in the RAMS club today. Members who have been active in the club for over 5 years are Felix DeGrandpre (1991)-past President, Jim O'loughlin(1993), Tim Derr(1996)-past President, Scott Boudrieau(1996), Rob Clark(1997)-current President, Nick Freda(1999), Bob Martin(1999), Dave Hamolsky(1999), Bob Lewis(2000), Dave Drouin(2003) and Rick Simoneau(2005). Other current members are Errick Dubois, Bob Henderson and Karl Pruter.

Over the past 20 years, the RAMS, at Wellington Park, have installed a well, shed, dugouts, the concession stand, field lights, fencing, two scoreboards, a \$5000 playground, donated 2 radios to the Fire Department and donated \$10,000 to the Recreation Building/Community Center. We have put benches on the common as well as the majority of the cost and labor to install the lights at the Common and Historical Society. The public bulletin board at the entrance to the Transfer Station was a RAMS project. At the Historical Society Museum, the RAMS have remodeled an exhibit room, installed some new windows, installed electricity in the Barn, purchased an exterior sign and we are currently refinishing the exterior of the barn. Converse Meadows has seen the RAMS build a large footbridge and clean up the trail after the 2008 ice

storm. Rindge Memorial School was the site of a reconstructed baseball infield, a painted parking lot playground and the soccer field was leveled out with material and equipment donated by the RAMS. Many of the bricks at the Veteran's Memorial were purchased with funds donated by the RAMS. A section of Route 119, from the junction of Route 202 to Taggart Meadow, has been adopted and kept clean by the RAMS for many years.

We have donated to recreation sports programs, veteran's groups, school boosters, Secret Santa, the Food Pantry, Destination Imagination and either sponsored or co-sponsored the Halloween Night, Breakfast with Santa, Historical Society Christmas Open House, Concerts on the Common, 5K Race and the Rindge Family Festival. Our three-on-three basketball tournament is in its 4th year. In prior years the RAMS have co-sponsored the Christmas Tree Lighting, but in 2009 stepped up and sponsored the event entirely due to limited Town funds. We are also co-sponsors of the annual Rindge Citizen of the Year and Young Citizen of the Year awards. Our Thank-A-Vet program is in its fourth year where the RAMS deliver turkeys and a handshake of thanks on Veteran's Day, to those in Rindge, that have served their country.

The RAMS have had a very productive 20 years and hope to serve the community for many more. For any questions or membership information call RAMS President, Rob Clark (899-5753).

John Ciarcia is a member of the Rindge Athletic Men's Social club

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