

The Litchfield Sodalite

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A Newsletter for Litchfield, Maine

October 1, 2019

Historical Society Of Litchfield Trivia Quiz!

October question: Andrew Jackson Tozier, a resident of Litchfield and the recipient of the Congressional Medal of Honor, was the National Color Sergeant of what Civil War Veterans organization? September question: Under the "old style", Julian Calendar, what was New Years Day in our calendar? answer: March 25th. To read more about the history of Litchfield go to

WWW.HistoricalSocietyofLitchfieldMaine.org

William R Bold American Legion

The William R. Bold American Legion Post No. 181 is having a public lobster/chicken dinner on 12 October 2019. Seatings are 5:00 P.M. and 6:00 P.M. Legionaries are selling tickets and you must have a ticket to enter. No dinners will be sold at the door. Take-out meals are available. Prices are \$10.00 chicken, \$17.00 single lobster, \$24.00 twin lobster. Sides include potato, corn, coleslaw, roll, dessert, and drink. Contact Carlton at 268-2021 for more information.

Tacoma Lakes Association

It is hard to believe summer has ended and we are headed for fall. TLA enjoyed another great summer. Our plant patrol team, led by Diane Clay was extremely active over the summer inspecting the shoreline on Jimmy Pond, Jimmy Stream, Buker Pond, and the areas around the Woodbury boat launch. Additionally, The Friends of Cobbossee Watershed sent teams to inspect Woodbury Pond for milfoil. The great news is, no invasive species were located. We all need to be vigilant, and keep our eyes open, as sadly invasive milfoil can be found in 7 bodies of water in the immediate area. Thank you to all the hard-working members of the plant patrol team. Hundreds of boats were inspected at the Woodbury Pond boat launch. The Woodbury launch continues to be one of the busiest in all of the Cobbossee Watershed. Inspection efforts are supported, in part, by TLA and grants from the state. TLA also continues to assist the State inspecting the marker buoys on the lakes, and there were no issues over the summer. Our membership drive is continuing, as we shoot for our goal of 300 members. Anyone who has an interest in the overall health of the lakes can become a member. Memberships are still only \$15, and anyone can join using our website, www.tacomalakes.org. Did you know you can donate your returnable bottles and cans to TLA? We have a drop off point, located adjacent to The Swap Shop, at the Litchfield Transfer Station. Our space is inside of the last door. PLEASE BAG YOUR RETURNABLES!! Our volunteers are there year-round in all types of weather picking up bottles for redemption. It makes our job so much easier, if you take a moment and bag those bottles and cans.

Senior Center

The Litchfield Senior Center is open and available to all, no fee to attend. The normal hours are Monday & Friday 8:30-4 and Wednesday 8:30-12, subject to change. "Aging is more fun when you share it". **The Center will be closed October 14.**

The Litchfield Senior Steppers (Line Dancers) and the Carol Bailey String Band wish to thank everyone who attended the performances at the Litchfield Fair and for the donations.

Line dancing instruction Mondays at 9:30 for beginners and advanced.

Aerobics classes on Wednesday and Fridays at 8:30.

The book club meeting is on October 9 at 12:15. The book to be discussed is "Inheritance" by Dani Shapiro

There will be Music practice for the Carol Bailey String Band on Wednesdays @ 10.

The Feldenkrais method exercise class with Lindsay Nelsen (268-4569) is at 9:30 on Fridays.

Cribbage or Unlucky 7's games for fun on Mondays at 11 and Fridays 10-12. Bring a lunch and stay for games on Mondays in the afternoon & on Friday cards or games.

The Thrift Shop is open the first & third Monday 10-11.

Making cards with Anne Thompson will be on Wed., October 16 @ 1.

The Senior's Advisory Committee meeting is at 10 on Thursday October 17.

The potluck lunch & October birthday celebration in on Friday, October 18.

Reminder: Exercise equipment and Wii games available for use 8:30-4 Monday and Friday; 8:30-12 Wednesday.

October trips coming up: Tuesday, Oct. 1 - Fryeburg Fair Senior day, free for 65+; Friday, Oct. 4, Sunday River for the Aging Well/Living Well Expo; Sunday, Oct. 13, Mystery Ride; Thursday, Oct. 24, Oxford Casino

Call 215-4595 or email litchfield-seniors@litchfieldmaine.org to sign up.

Please stop in to the Senior Center located on Academy Rd. for more information, a cup of coffee or tea and check out our books (paperback & hard cover), puzzles or work on the 1000-piece puzzle.

Litchfield Recreation Committee

The Litchfield Recreation Committee would like to send out a big Thank You to Gowell's Shop n Save for letting our youth soccer players tag there last month (September). Many, many thanks.

Litchfield Transfer Station

We are still having people attempting to bring household garbage to the Transfer Station. Fortunately, we have been intercepting them before they are able to deposit said items in the bulky container.

We have put a padlock on the CLOSED cardboard container door as so many people continue to attempt to use the CLOSED cardboard container and not use the OPEN cardboard container.

People were very good at putting their small plastic bags into the fifty gallon plastic bag attached to the compactor. Two weekends ago we had some low life empty all the little plastic bags into the compactor and steal the fifty gallon bag.

It took two days to empty all the televisions from the Hazmat trailer and load them onto a truck which will transport them to facility to be dismantled. We also had over three hundred tires removed from the Transfer Station.

The Swap Shop is doing extremely well, mainly because of the excellent work of the volunteers running that operation. If you have items at home that you don't want but they are in too good of a condition that you don't want to throw them away, bring them to the Swap Shop.

RSU4 PTA Trunk or Treat is October 20th from 3:30-5 at the Litchfield Fair. Non-perishable food donations of peanut butter, jelly, fluff, cereal and snacks welcome for the Carrie Ricker Backpack Program. If you would like to donate candy, it can be dropped off at any school or Gowell's Shop n' Save or want to decorate a trunk and hand out candy, email us at rsu4pta@rsu4.org.

RSU4 PTA Annual Craft Fair is December 7th from 9-3 at Oak Hill Middle School. If you are interested in a table, please email us at rsu4pta@rsu4.org for more info.

4H the Creators

We start the new year October 13. 3 pm at the Senior Center in the Academy. The next meeting is on the October 27. We will meet every month on the 2nd and 4th Sunday. Our first project is marbled stationary and homemade cards. For info call or text 7543931 Lori Larrabee

4H the Creators

Craft/ vendor fair October 26th. 9-2 at Carrie Ricker School. This is a fundraiser for 4H so come and get some early Christmas shopping done.

Town Manager/Clerk's Corner

2019-20 Property Taxes

Tax bills were mailed on September 17th. If you have not received a tax bill you may call the town office to find out what you owe. The first payment is due October 15th, with 2nd and 3rd tax payments due January 15th, and April 15th).

2020 Dog Licenses

You may license your dog(s) for 2020 at the Town office beginning October 15th or online at https://www1.maine.gov/cgi-bin/online/dog_license/index.pl. If rabies vaccinations are due please bring a copy of the new vaccination. To avoid a late fee your dog must be licensed by January 31, 2020. We will have a rabies clinic on Nov 9th, see below for more information.

Rabies Clinic

A rabies vaccination clinic is scheduled for Saturday, November 9th from 9 – 11am at the central Fire Station. Cost is \$20 with \$5 going to the Litchfield Fuel Fund.

Snowmobiles

Snowmobiles may be registered at the Town Office starting mid-October, or online at <https://www.maine.gov/ifw/atv-snowmobile/index.html>.

Home Heating Assistance

Applicants for the KVCAP Fuel Assistance Program should contact KVCAP directly by calling either 1-800-542-8227 ext. 1500 or (207) 859-1500 to schedule an appointment. Applicants may also access the KVCAP website (www.kvcap.org) click "For The Home", and select "Heating Assistance" to book an appointment online. Information is available in the Town Office.

The Town Office will be closed Monday, October 14th, for Columbus Day.

Upcoming meetings at the Town Office:

Planning Board Thursday, Oct 3rd, 6:30 pm
Select Board – Thursday, Oct 11th, 6:30 pm
Budget Committee – Monday, Oct 21st, 6:30 pm
Select Board – Monday, Oct 28th 6:30 pm

Winter Sand Bid is due at the Town Office by October 10, 2019 at 6:00pm.


Litchfield Academy Thrift Shop

Much of the fall/winter clothing is out and wow!! what nice stuff!! I don't usually drop names, but I can't resist. Alfred Dunner, Croft & Barrows, L.L. Bean, Cabelas, Eddie Bauer, Liz Claiborne, St. Johns Bay, Christopher Banks, Old Navy, Gitano, Sag Harbor, Lane Bryant, Apostrophe, Faded Glory, Disney, Columbia, Route 66, Tony Hawk, Cherokee, Polo, Oshkosh, Carters, Gerber. Great prices. See you Saturday.

Litchfield Food Bank

Great donations from neighbors' gardens and chicken coops. Many thanks. A big thank you, too, to our supporters and the great team of volunteers! Every one is greatly appreciated.

October Community Calendar

1 Tue	Lit. Fire/Rescue Officers Meeting-6:30pm	17 Thur	Senior Advisory Comm.,-10am Food Bank-10a-12p; 491 Richmond Rd
2 Wed	Food Bank-5p-6p; 491 Richmond Rd TOPS-Carrie Ricker School; 6:30p.m	18 Fri	Town Office, closed Transfer Station, 8a.m.-4p.m. Transfer Station Swap Shop, 10 a.m.-2 p.m
3 Thur	Food Bank-10a-12p; 491 Richmond Rd Lit. Planning Bd.; 6:30pm, Town Office	19 Sat	Transfer Station, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Transfer Station Swap Shop, 10 a.m.-2 p.m Academy Thrift Store, 9 a.m.-noon Lit Sportsman's Club; Public Breakfast, 7am-9:30am, \$7/person
4 Fri	Town Office, closed Transfer Station, 8a.m.-4p.m. Transfer Station Swap Shop, 10 a.m.-2 p.m	20 Sun	
5 Sat	Transfer Station, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Transfer Station Swap Shop, 10 a.m.-2 p.m Academy Thrift Store, 9 a.m.-noon Lit Sportsman's Club; Public Supper (5pm-6pm) & Music Jam (6pm-8pm), \$7/person	21 Mon	Lit. Budget Committee; Town Office, 6:30pm
6 Sun	Lit. Sportsman's Club; Country Sunday, noon-4:30, \$6/person	22 Tue	
7 Mon	Lit. Rec. Comm., Town Office 6:30pm	23 Wed	Food Bank-5p-6p; 491 Richmond Rd TOPS-Carrie Ricker School; 6:30p.m RSU4 School Bd-6:30pm OHHS American Legion Bold Post#181; 7:00pm
8 Tue	First Responders Meeting 6:30pm Conservation Comm. 6:00pm, Town Off.	24 Thur	Food Bank-10a-12p; 491 Richmond Rd
9 Wed	Food Bank-5p-6p; 491 Richmond Rd TOPS-Carrie Ricker School; 6:30p.m RSU4 School Bd-6:30pm OHHS	25 Fri	Lit. Sportsman's Club; Kids Spook House, 6:30pm-9pm, by donation
10 Thur	Lit. Selectman Meeting; Town Office 6:30pm Food Bank-10a-12p; 491 Richmond Rd	26 Sat	Transfer Station, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. Transfer Station Swap Shop, 10 a.m.-2 p.m Academy Thrift Store, 9 a.m.-noon Lit. Sportsman's Club; House of Horror, 6:30pm-9pm, by donation
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13 Sun		29 Tue	
14 Mon	Town Office Closed for Columbus Day Holiday No School for RSU 4 Schools	30 Wed	Food Bank-5p-6p; 491 Richmond Rd TOPS-Carrie Ricker School; 6:30p.m
15 Tue	Lit. Fire Assoc & Regular Meet; 6:30pm	31 Thur	Food Bank-10a-12p; 491 Richmond Rd. Happy Halloween 
16 Wed	Food Bank-5p-6p; 491 Richmond Rd TOPS-Carrie Ricker School; 6:30p.m		

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