



May 3, 2016 - News for You



TOWN OF FREEPORT

MUNICIPAL BULLETIN

Upcoming Town Council Meeting:

Town Council Meeting:

Workshop and Public Hearing on Fiscal Year 2017 Budget

May 17, 2016

6:30 p.m., Town Council Chambers

A full listing of upcoming Town Board and Committee meetings and agendas is available on the Town's website at: www.freeportmaine.com



PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Open House

7 Hunter Road

Saturday, May 21, 2016

9:00am-1:00pm

The Open House will provide an opportunity for residents and families to meet with the people responsible for maintaining the town's infrastructure and come in contact with the equipment used regularly, including **dump/plow trucks, the excavator, bulldozer, loader, backhoe, sweeper, and sidewalk machine!** Light refreshments will be available.

Public Meetings Join us!

We want your feedback on improving bus routes and service.

Learn the latest about our service to Yarmouth and Freeport, "real time" schedules, bus shelters and more.

- **Tuesday, May 3, 5-6:30 p.m.**
Merrill Memorial Library
(Lewis Hall)
215 Main Street, Yarmouth
- **Wednesday, May 4, 5-6:30 p.m.**
Falmouth Memorial Library
5 Lunt Road, Falmouth
- **Thursday, May 5, 5-6:30 p.m.**
Portland Public Library (Rm 5)
5 Monument Square, Portland
- **Saturday, May 7, 10:30-noon**
Portland Public Library (Rines)
5 Monument Square, Portland
- **Monday, May 9, 5-6:30 p.m.**
Freeport Library
(Community Room)
10 Library Drive, Freeport
- **Tuesday, May 10, 5-6:30 p.m.**
Walker Library (upstairs)
800 Main Street, Westbrook



For more information: gpmetrobus.com • 207-774-0351

Town Manager's Report May 3rd, 2016

As most are aware, a serious fire on April 27th, resulted in significant damage to the Corsican Restaurant here in Freeport. Fortunately, there were no injuries, the business was insured, and the owners are now considering rebuilding the business in some manner. I would like to offer special thanks to the Freeport Fire/Rescue employees, as well as firefighters from Brunswick, Topsham, Pownal, Yarmouth, Falmouth and Cumberland, who assisted both on the scene and with station coverage. Due to the quick response and excellent work by our firefighters and those from neighboring towns, the fire was stopped from spreading to nearby buildings – one of which was only 10 feet away from the Corsican building. Amazingly, damage to abutting buildings was limited to cosmetic damage to some vinyl siding. While the damage to the Corsican building was grim, the diligent response from our firefighters and mutual aid from neighboring towns averted a much greater catastrophe. On behalf of the Town, its residents, and the downtown business owners, thank you!

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Freeport PD's K9 team of Cassie and her handler, Officer Matt Moorhouse, completed the certification process for drugs on 25 April 2016. This certification is an approximately 2 year long process that the K9 team has been working on since shortly after coming into existence. Congratulations to Cassie and Officer Moorhouse on a job well done!

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The Freeport Public Works Department will be holding its second annual Open House on Saturday, May 21, 2016 from 9:00am-1:00pm. The Open House is once again being held in conjunction with National Public Works Week. The Department plans to showcase our Public Works professionals and some

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Spring Cleanup 2016

The Entire Month of June
Wed-Fri (8:00 am – 4:00 pm)
Saturday (9:00 am – 4:00 pm)



Freeport residents will once again have the whole month of June to bring one free load of waste to the Recycling Center using the Cleanup Coupon contained in the Town mailer that residents will be receiving in their mailboxes this month. Residents will also be required to have a 2016 facility sticker (\$6.00) which can be purchased at the Recycling Center the day of disposal or can be purchased ahead of time (at the Recycling Facility and the Town Hall). As in years past, some material will have fees associated with them, so please review your flyer for the list of acceptable items and fees (which is also available on the Town's website at www.freeportmaine.com).

In the past, the Recycling Facility has closed the Swap Shop during Cleanup Saturdays as there wasn't sufficient manpower to supervise the donations.

Last year, volunteers helped keep the Swap Shop open by managing donations and keeping the room organized. Their help was invaluable! It would be great to repeat that again this year. **If you support the idea of reuse and can volunteer a few hours on a Saturday in June, please contact Suzanne Duplissis at 865-3740.**

Looking to Compost? While you are at the facility for Spring Cleanup, you can purchase an Earth Machine Compost Bin (\$48.00), a Countertop Kitchen Pail (\$10.00), Rain Barrel (\$60.00), Thermometer (\$19.00) or a Wingdigger Compost Aerator (\$18.00) to help with your composting needs.



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of the heavy equipment used regularly on projects throughout Town. The Open House will provide an opportunity for residents (including younger residents), to come face-to-face with the people and equipment essential to protecting the health and safety of Freeport residents, and to learn more about Public Works and related environmental issues, in an informal setting. Light refreshments will be served on site.

Freeport Community Library News

The Third Annual Edible Book Festival received many clever and imaginative entries this year as evidenced by "The Princess and the Pea", pictured at right, which received the Best in Show award (adult) and "Lady Pancake and Sir French Toast", pictured below,



which received the award for Funniest (child). If you want to view other entries, go to the Library's facebook page at:

<https://www.facebook.com/freeportcommunitylibrary/photos/>

For other Library events visit www.freeportmaine.com.



Let's Spruce up the Park! Leon Gorman Park Spring Cleanup Saturday, May 14th, 9AM - noon



SPRING is here! And Leon Gorman Park has some needs.

We'll be planting flowers and pulling weeds.

When there's company, more gets done and it's easier on the backs.

So come on down, there will be tools and snacks.

Whether a little or a lot of time, whatever you can do, we'll be starting at nine.

Meet at the pavilion next to the former skating pond. Parking is available on the School Street entrance. RSVP (helpful but not necessary) Donna Larson at

dlarson@freeportmaine.com

Memorial Day Monday May 30th

The **Memorial Day** parade and events this year will take place on Monday, May 30th. If you, your organization or any civic group you know of would like to participate in the parade and events, or help in the planning, please contact Gloria DeGrandpre at GloriaD556@aol.com or 207-232-6648.

