

June 21, 2016 - News for You

## TOWN OF FREEPORT

MUNICIPAL BULLETIN



### Upcoming Town Council Meeting:

#### Regular Town Council Meeting

July 5, 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](http://www.freeportmaine.com)



### Mark your calendar for these Winslow Memorial Park & Campground Season Events!

June 18<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>: **Free Camping Week #1** for Freeport Residents! (No reservations taken. Residents must register in person and immediately set up camp. Unused sites will be re-rented or given to other patrons! (Two more weeks of Free Camping for Freeport residents September 10-24<sup>th</sup>.)

July and August: **Thursday Evening Concerts Series**, 6:30 p.m. Park Admission - \$2 for Freeport residents and \$3 for non-residents. Campers and season pass holders are free. First concert on July 7<sup>th</sup> will feature the Coastal Winds Band - a 50 piece woodwind band playing popular tunes, traditional bandstand tunes and some military tributes.

FMI: 865-4198 or [www.freeportmaine.com](http://www.freeportmaine.com)



### Fourth of July Events



- 7—10 am 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Blueberry Pancake & Sausage Breakfast, **St. Jude Hall**.  
FMI: 847-6890
- 7:30 am 10K Road Race, **L. L. Bean, Inc.**
- 9:15 am Fun Run, **L. L. Bean, Inc.**
- 10:00 am Parade, **Main Street**, from Kendall Lane south to Holbrook Street—Hometown Holiday Theme.
- 7:30 pm Concert in the Park, (David Mallett and Mallett Bros. Band) **L. L. Bean, Inc. Discovery Park**. FMI: 877-755-2326.
- 9:15 pm **FIREWORKS Intown**

## Town Manager's Report June 21st, 2016

Congratulations to the FHS Baseball team on their outstanding 14-7 season, including their appearance in the Class B championship game last weekend. With a majority of the team returning next year, we're looking forward to next season!

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I'm happy to report that the METRO Breez bus service is up and running, with 9 roundtrips weekdays and 5 roundtrips on Saturday between Freeport and

Portland. The kickoff ceremony took place last Thursday morning here at the Freeport Town Hall, and was attended by residents, METRO



METRO Breez bus service kickoff ceremony

officials, and Freeport, Yarmouth and Falmouth town officials. I personally had the opportunity to ride the bus to Portland on Saturday afternoon, and found it to be on-time, comfortable and convenient! The bus was filled, with 15 people,

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### Public Safety Reminder!

Consumer fireworks are **NOT** permitted at anytime throughout the year in Freeport

**METRO**  
Greater Portland Transit District

### METRO North Express Bus Service has begun! Portland - Falmouth - Yarmouth - Freeport

For updated schedule and route map go to:  
<http://gpmetrobus.net/>



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### Spring Cleanup 2016

1 Week left!

Wed-Fri (8:00 am – 4:00 pm)

Saturday (9:00 am – 4:00 pm)

**Through the end of June only**

Freeport residents have a little over one week left to bring one free load of waste to the Recycling Center using their Cleanup Coupon (you also need a 2016 facility sticker which you can purchase at the Center). Some materials 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](http://www.freeportmaine.com) ).



### Freeport Community Library Children's Summer Programs

**The Children's Summer Reading Program** sign-ups run through the end of June. This program lets children read all their favorite books, enter raffles, see amazing shows and make cool crafts!

**Summer Crafts** – Craft with Julie, Thursday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> at 10:30 a.m., Paint A Pot, Thursday, July 14<sup>th</sup> at 1:30 p.m. The Library has two wonderful crafts this summer: one with local artist Julie Yeo and the other with Library staff. Crafts are for ages 6-12 and sign-ups are required.

**Wildlife Up Close**- On Wednesday, June 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. *Wildlife Encounters* will be at the Library with a terrific group of animals! What will they bring? Well, that's a secret! To find out, come to the Library and be ready to be surprised and amazed at the animals you will see, and maybe even touch!



For more information please come to the Children's Room or call 865-3307.

**Many thanks** to members of the Freeport High School Senior Class who participated in a clean-up of Leon Gorman Park! These High School volunteers spent a morning at Leon Gorman Park weeding, planting, clearing brush and rebuilding three bridges.



Come down and enjoy the recently spruced up Park!

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many families from Portland and Falmouth making the return trip after spending the morning exploring Freeport.

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Town Engineer Al Presgraves reports that the Town's selected contractor for the Landfill Closure project, R.J. Grondin & Sons of Gorham, Maine, completed all work on the project on June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2016. Construction was started on May 24, and was completed in less than two weeks. Work included re-grading the waste, then adding a layer of intermediate cover soil, two layers of clay with a total thickness of 18 inches, and 6 inches of topsoil. A consultant provided full-time construction inspection and soil testing, with reports sent to the Maine DEP. There will be no change to the regular operation of the Transfer Station from a user's perspective, however the small amount of waste that had been disposed in the demolition landfill will now be placed in the demolition debris roll-off container for off-site disposal.

### Reminder – Browntail Moth Outbreak Please take Precautions

- Avoid places heavily infested with caterpillars whenever possible.
- In late June, the larvae spin rough cocoons (webs), often on the underside of boats, deck furniture and on the eaves of houses and sheds. These cocoons are full of hairs and at this stage the hairs are extremely toxic. The toxin is very stable and remains a hazard for a number of years. *Removing cocoons from any eaves, boats, furniture and trees should only be done with great caution (always wet down areas prior to removing cocoons).*
- Take a cool shower and change clothes after any activity that might involve contact with browntail moth hairs.
- Dry laundry inside during June and July to avoid the hairs getting into clothing.
- Wear long sleeves and pants tightly closed at the neck, wrists and ankles when performing activities that stir up caterpillar hairs such as: mowing, raking, weed whacking and removing pupal webbing from eaves and boats.



**Caterpillar hairs can cause a severe rash (similar to poison ivy) and breathing problems.**  
**Consult your physician if you develop a severe reaction to the browntail moth.**