# MONROE MATTERS A COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

#### FROM THE OFFICE OF THE SELECTMEN

Remember Town Meeting is March  $12^{th}$  - voting 12 noon until 6pm and meetings begin at 7pm

- There are still positions to be filled listed on the ballot for March 12th. Write-in candidates can be done during voting.
- Minutes of the Selectmen meetings are now being posted on the website instead of being sent out by email. This is due to an issue with Google. If you still wish to receive the minutes by email, please send a request to monroeselectmen@monroenh.org. Each request will be handled individually until a better solution is found.
- Still taking suggestions for the theme of the Fall Festival 2024. Email Diane at the town office at monroeselectmen@monroenh.org. Will announce winner at the Town Meeting.

As always, if you have any questions or comments, you can call the Town Office at 603-638-2644 or email us at monroeselectmen@monroenh.org

# FROM THE TOWN CLERK'S OFFICE HOURS

Monday: 8:30 AM - 12 Noon Tuesday: 4:30 PM - 7:00 PM Wednesday: 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM Thursday: 2:00 PM - 6:00 PM Friday: 8:30 AM - 12 Noon

Also, the last Saturday of each month 9amnoon, by appointment.

#### **DOG LICENSES**

Reminder that all dogs must be licensed by April 30th. There is a penalty for late registration. Please provide updated proof of Rabies Vaccine and proof of Spay/Neuter if it's been done since last registration.



Renewals for dog registrations (as well as vehicle registrations) may be done online at monroenh.org

### THE MONROE BUMPER HUMPERS SNOWMOBILE CLUB

#### VINTAGE SNOWMOBILE RIDE IN



RESCHEDULED - Hope for Snow!

Sunday, March 10

12:30 pm @ 60 Fairfield Drive

Enjoy hot food around a campfire, antique snowmobiles on display, super raffle, and 50/50 raffle drawings.

Lunch is free for landowners who allow trails on their property.

Dedicated to the memory of Irv Lang

#### SUPERVISORS OF THE CHECKLIST

March 2nd

8-9am @ the town office Register to vote or make any changes

#### FALL HARVEST FESTIVAL TRIVIA

Trivia Question 5

What is the theme of the 2024 festival?



#### **NEWSLETTER SUBMISSIONS**

Newsletters are published monthly.

Email 03771plans@gmail.com by Friday, March 15th with submissions for the April issue.

#### **KEEPING IT LOCAL**



You, yes you...we're here to help you spread the word about products or services you provide to our community. Whether you have a business in town or you are from Monroe and are located nearby, contact us to be featured in an upcoming issue.

#### SCHOOL BOARD MEETINGS

March 4th & 18th April 15<sup>th</sup>

District Meeting: March 12th

If you would like to get school board related emails, contact schoolboard@monroeschool77.com

## knit DEMOCRACY together

Are you concerned about the state of our democracy?

Do you want government to be more representative?

Attend a Knit Democracy Together maker circle! *Even* if you don't knit or crochet.

Knit Democracy Together is a project created by artist and former election lawyer Eve Jacobs-Carnahan. At each of the six events being held around the state, she will give a nonpartisan presentation and lead a discussion about the electoral system with a focus on New Hampshire's election laws. More than a lecture or discussion session, attendees will contribute to a collaborative sculpture of the New Hampshire State House made of knitted and crocheted pieces stitched at each event.

In June, the completed sculpture will be unveiled at the NH State Library, alongside participants' stories about voting and participating in the electoral process.

Materials will be provided. No prior knitting or crocheting experience needed. You do not have to stitch to attend.

Representing All Voices: Gerrymandering and Ranked Choice Voting

Thursday, March 7<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm At the Town Hall





#### TUESDAY MARCH 12th

Come visit the library's informational table at the town hall when you're voting. Your chance to chat about the library with trustees.

Free giveaways.

The library will be open from Noon-4pm

See you at town meeting!

#### WE'VE GOT YOU COVERED!



We have a number of ISO 12312-2 eclipse glasses to give to community members so they may safely watch the solar eclipse.

#### CROCHETED CHRISTMAS TREE



## Group Stitching @ the Library

Informal lessons, cookies and coffee

Tuesday, 3/5 @ 5pm

Saturday, 3/23 @ 3pm

If you would like to make squares to contribute to Monroe's tree, they must measure 6 inches and have a green outer ring (other colors are your choice.) Printed patterns are available. Completed squares may be dropped off at the library.



#### **NEEDLE FELTING WORKSHOP**

Saturday, April 13th @ the town hall 10am-3pm

for adults and youth 12+ with an adult



Back by popular demand! Neysa Russo of The Felting Studio in Corinth, VT will help you discover the artist within. Choose your design from a wide variety of pre-traced stencils and pick your palette from the spectrum of colored wool available. Great for beginners and experienced felters alike.

There is a \$25 fee for supplies. You will go home with one finished piece and the tools to keep creating on your own. Bring a lunch (kitchen available). Beverages and dessert provided.

Spaces are limited so pre-register by calling the library at 603-638-4736

#### **SOLAR ECLIPSE**

Where will you be when the sky goes dark? The solar eclipse may not be until April 8<sup>th</sup> but now's the time to find out more about this fascinating occurrence that won't happen here again for centuries. There are loads of websites out there with information and some will have more accurate information than others. Check out some of these resources:

science.nasa.gov greatamericaneclipse.com nationaleclipse.com eclipse2024.org eclipse.aas.org

Keep in mind that travel in the area may be affected by an influx of eclipse watchers.

Monroe is close to the path of totality, but it will not be safe to look directly at the Sun without specialized eye protection. Always inspect your eclipse glasses or handheld viewer before use; if torn, scratched, or otherwise damaged, discard the device. Always supervise children using solar viewers.

Help keep eclipse glasses more securely on children's heads by constructing a paper plate mask (supplies and directions available at the library)



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